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ejoy wonderful old Christmas customs as much as I do, you will be spending a lot of time between December 20th and Twelfth Night dropping in on friends, and having friends drop in on you, to celebrate the yuletide. This cheerful tradition enables us to share some of life’s finest sentiments. It also brings out an astonishing array of alcoholic beverages known generally as “Christmas drinks”: punches, noggs, negus; liqueurs of many hues and flavors; wines of many lands.

I suppose that in more than a quarter of a century of yuletide celebrating I’ve tasted about every special holiday drink. There are quite a few Christmas beverages that I like very much; others I can gladly do without. Those I especially like tend to be simple, not too rich (Christmas food supplies plenty of calories), and easy to make. Before I list recommendations, let me urge all who intend to be yuletide hosts to maintain a well rounded stock of drinks and to offer guests a choice. A rich sweetish mixture in a large punch-bowl is an appropriate holiday touch, but don’t serve this alone. Such mixtures leave many people with the misgiving of the garde de boeuf; a promotion that means, roughly, a “head” or “hangover.” If the large Christmas bowl is a family tradition, or if you admire the hospitable look of its girth, then by all means have it; but in deference to me and other opinionated guests, also offer any of the following:

BLACK VELVET; This is my particular choice for the holiday season and for other special occasions too. I first had it one Christmas in England, where it is a national yuletide favorite. To make Black Velvet, simply combine half Guineas’s stout and half champagne. Both should be well chilled, and the champagne should be the very driest sort, brut.

Of course, our English cousins don’t like this drink too cold; generally they back away from iced drinks. Now I readily concede that Black Velvet does gain in flavor when it is not too cold; still I am sure that American tastes require that it be chilled. It is a foamy mixture, hearty, smooth; it has body, yet it is light enough to bring a lift to your holiday spirits. I like it served in a tall fluted glass or a Pilsner glass so I can look down and watch the bubbles coming up from deep down in the dark liquid.

CHAMPAGNE: Speaking of bubbles, nothing could be more suitable for holiday entertaining than champagne. Some of my friends follow an interesting and stimulating custom of serving champagne, with a Family breakfast on Christmas Day. After all, champagne is a fruit juice; so why not? I can think of no better way to begin this holiday imbued with warmth and gaiety.

SCOTCH: There are so many Scotch lovers that this is a “must” among your holiday offerings. Most people these days appear to be drinking it on-the-rocks. A sizable and vocal minority insists on having it without ice and with just a touch of branch water. And I suppose, their preference must be heeded, despite the fact that the soda has the barbaric effect of smothering the flavor of the liquor.

For scotch-on-the-rocks, use a small Old-Fashioned glass (not often called an “on-the-rocks” glass); fill the glass with cracked ice and pour the scotch over it. Don’t measure—just pour a generous helping. The drink called Scotch Mist is the same thing made with crushed rather than cracked ice.

Lacking “on-the-rocks” glasses, you can feel perfectly at ease serving scotch in a tall glass containing several ice cubes, adding branch water (or soda) as requested. If you live in an area where the drinking water is heavily chlorinated, buy bottled water and use it for making ice cubes and for adding to drinks. The true scotch lover will tell you that scotch and chlorinated water are an unhappy combination.

BOURBON AND RYE: These two popular whiskies take to the same treatment as scotch. Some bourbon fanciers enjoy a twist of lemon peel in bourbon-on-the-rocks. Keep a bowl of cut peel handy on your yuletide bar.

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When I was a child in Massachusetts, it always snowed for Christmas. If it had not, there would have been general indignation, and letters to the Boston Transcript quoting from Snowbound. The snow began falling at dusk on Christmas Eve, and fell softly but adequately all night. Christmas Day, however, dawned clear and glittering, with

No cloud above, no earth below.—
A universe of sky and snow.

Calvin Coolidge was president, the Red Sox played consistent baseball (down there in the cellar), and it always snowed for Christmas.

This was so certain, indeed, that I used to wonder why my father bothered to forecast the weather on the day before. He was not a meteorologist, he was a doctor, but he communed with his barometer every morning after breakfast by tapping it smartly and peering at it. He then predicted the weather we could expect for the next 24 hours. He was usually right, too, in and out day and out day, for a number of years. It was during Roosevelt's third administration that the barometer's reflexes began to slow down, to the point that it registered, not the weather to come, but the weather at hand. "It's raining," my father would announce after consulting it, and a glance out the window would prove him triumphantly correct. In recent years the lag has grown even worse, and the instrument now reminds him what yesterday's weather was like; he has considered having it cleaned and adjusted.

It always snowed for Christmas, then, but snow was only one element in our fixed and solemn rituals. I believe that once you have grown out of childhood, Christmas is never what it was, is never quite Christmas again, simply because it is a child's day. It is not dedicated, after all, to Bacchus, nor the Tenth Muse, who is the Muse of Merchandising. It is dedicated to a child—"Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger"—and it means most to a child. Therefore, the ways in which a family observes it are Christmas for him. When he no longer hangs up his stocking, when he no longer believes a Flexible Flyer is a more marvelous vehicle than a Jaguar, some of the wonder is lost forever. All he can do

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A Christmas Memory  By Lysander Kemp

when he grows up is see to it that his own children celebrate the season properly.

We celebrated it in what I consider a proper and orthodox fashion, with no such heresies as opening the presents on Christmas Eve. Our tree, for example, was practically the same year after year, except for the new ornaments to replace the inevitable casualties. First the two sets of colored lights, arranged by my father with the help of aesthetic suggestions from my mother. Next the strings of popcorn and of cranberries, which I made myself with stout thread and a long needle, without great loss of blood. Next the glass ornaments—I particularly remember a pea-green zeppelin—and the candy canes, and the angel at the top with her shining spun-glass hair. Finally the icicles. Nothing more. And nothing less.

The nearest thing to a departure from tradition came when my father bought two new sets of lights for the tree. The bulbs were a little larger than the usual, and the wires a little thicker, but the almost sensational feature was that when one light went out the others did not. Therefore you could spy and replace the failure without having to test every bulb in the string. My father was very proud of his purchase, and his pride was not lessened by the accident which occurred about 10 minutes after he had first draped and lighted them. He was up on the step-ladder, hanging foil icicles at the top of the tree, while my mother was switching the bulbs around in order to balance the colors. A scrap of icicle fell from an upper twig straight into the socket from which my mother had just removed the bulb. There was a glorious hissing flash, as if we had included a touch of the Fourth in our yuletide rites, and that was the end of the socket. My father cut it out of the line, spliced the wires, and wrapped the splice with tape, humming *Joy to the World* as he did so. "She wrecked the socket," he later said joyously to visitors, "but the rest of the lights stayed on!"

These new strings were quite an innovation for us, and perhaps that is why we never succumbed to the blinker-button plague which ravaged the area for a few seasons. I have not seen a blinker-button used in a private home for at least 25 years, and I (Continued on page 14)
NEW NOTES IN CHRISTMAS MUSIC
By Roland Gelatt

For those who want something different from Adeste Fideles, The First Noel, and Silent Night for Christmas music, this is a good year in records. Capitol has issued eight new Christmas discs recorded in different countries. I found Christmas in Spain (T 10094) especially appealing. Spanish Christmas music has a haunting sweet solemnity, and the white, bleatly sound of Spanish boy soprano is happily far removed from the saccharine crossing of some of our own carolers. Christmas in Holland (T 10095) establishes a properly atmospheric note by beginning with some carillon bells recorded at the New Church in Delft and then proceeds to Dutch yuletide songs performed by the Amsterdam Oratorio Choir. Their singing of “Er is Een Kindeken Geboren” should put even the most carol-fatigued listener into a cheery Christmas mood. The other records in this series do not maintain quite so high a level but each offers a few performances of unhackneyed Christmas music.

Unfortunately, I have to report that these international recordings published by Capitol also indulge their share of familiar Christmas chestnuts. They sound somewhat less commonplace in a foreign tongue, to be sure; but whether it’s “Bianco ’Natale,” “Noel Blanc,” “Navidades Blancas,” or “Weisse Weihnacht,” the Irving Berlin tune is still the same Irving Berlin tune.

The perils of Christmas for the record buyer reside, however, not in carols alone. There is the equally hazardous problem of gifts. Long-play records in their colorful jackets make an impressive appearance under the Christmas tree; but if they happen to duplicate music which the hapless recipient already owns, their welcome may be brief.

For the neophyte who has just acquired a record player there is, of course, little difficulty. New recordings of standard symphonic pieces can be given without undue risk of duplication. Any embryonic collection would be graced, for example, by Mozart’s last three symphonies interpreted with inimitable style by Sir Thomas Beecham and the Royal Philharmonic in crisp new recordings. (Symphonies 39 and 40 are issued on Columbia ML 5194; No. 41, the “Jupiter,” is to be found on Angel 35459, coupled with the exquisite Divertimento No. 2 in D.)

A more lavish gift for the still relatively uncluttered record library is the five-LP album of Beethoven piano concertos, rendered with exuberant vigor by Artur Rubinstein and the Symphony of the Air under Josef Krips (RCA Victor LM 6702). And those partial to elegant fiddle playing should be happy to receive Jascha Heifetz’s new recording of the Tchaikovsky Concerto (RCA Victor LM 2129) and Zino Francescatti’s of the Lalo Symphonie Espagnole (Columbia ML 5184). When we turn to the assiduous record collector, the man who speaks the lingo of high fidelity and knows his record catalogues by heart, the choice of a gift becomes

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comes more parlous. Let us suppose he is an opera buff. One might present him with the new recording of La Bohème featuring the artful Mimi of Maria Callas (Angel 3560) only to discover that he is a rabid Tebaldi fan who holds her earlier recording of La Bohème sung by Ponselle, Martinelli, and Pinza. Another treasurable dip into the past is the Kathleen Ferrier Broadcast Recital from Norway (London LL 1670), taken from a tape made eight years ago, in which the lamellated British contralto sings music by Purcell, Handel, and Hugo Wolf.

For piano addicts I counsel a similar avoidance of the beaten track. The combination to watch for is inspired pianism coupled to relatively unfamiliar music. It can be found to perfection, I think, in a selection of Grieg's Lyric Pieces recorded by Walter Legrand last year, just before his death (Angel 35450/1). These vignettes range from impressionistic scene-painting to boisterous dances. Gieseking's playing exhibits his unique command of tone coloration to the full. If you prefer to give orchestral recordings, the prudent course will be to choose either fairly old or fairly new music, since the Bach-to-Brahms period may already be pretty thoroughly represented in a well stocked record library. An excellent example of the sort of thing I have in mind is Stravinsky's Persephone, a "melodrama" for orchestra, chorus, tenor, and narrator, which has been recorded for the first time. This retelling of the myth of springtime is one of Stravinsky's most moving scores, and the recording under the composer's direction is not likely to be soon surpassed (Columbia ML 5196).

In the "spoken word" field the outstanding fall release is Hamlet, recorded complete by Sir John Gielgud and members of London's Old Vic Company (RCA Victor LM 6404). Gielgud remains the most cogent and silver-voiced Hamlet of our time.

Among the season's flood of pop album I was particularly smitten with a large collection of Cole Porter music on two LPs played by Michel Legrand and his orchestra (Columbia C2L-4). I'll be the first to admit that Cole Porter without words is theoretically a pretty dim notion, but Legrand's witty, original arrangements make the actual result highly palatable. Occasionally he overarranges, but his best moments—the antiphony between

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...in "Don't Fence Me In," for instance, or the delicate viola-celesta duet in "Close"—are very good. If you want to give something in the Continental line, you can't go wrong with Sidewalks of Rome (Liberty LRP 3066), a miscellany of popular Italian songs performed con amore by Rud Wharton, Edith Piaf's onetime accompanist, and his Musette Street Players.

#### British Humor

A two-man revue which had a successful run in London last season has been perpetuated on a record that ought to be happily relished by anyone who is not allergic to British humor. It's called At the Drop of a Hat (Angel 65042), and in it Michael Flanders and Donald Swann poke fun at several eminently deflatable contemporary cults, including high fidelity and interior decoration. And for the man who likes to indulge a streak of nostalgia there's nothing better than 1900 in Hi-Fi (San Francisco M 33006), a collection of cylinder recordings made in the first decade of this century which evoke the palmy days of American vaudeville.
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Dreamers of the American Dream, by Stewart H. Holbrook. (Doubleday, $5.75.) This volume of the Mainstream of America Series, which is edited by Lewis Gannett, is devoted to examination of the accomplishments and failures of visionaries who tried to change American society. You will find in it the strange communal society established by Oneida, N. Y., ax-wielding Carrie Nation, tax reformer Henry George, Coxe’s Army and many others. Mr. Holbrook, author of The Age of the Moguls, writes well and has a subtle appreciation of the off-beat in history and its significance in social trends.

Poets in a Landscape, by Gilbert Highet. (Knopf, $6.50.) One of the most distinguished critics of our time examines seven Latin poets—Catullus, Vergil, Propertius, Horace, Tibullus, Ovid and Juvenal—and their poetry against the background of their times in which the Roman republic gave way to empire and empire gave way to corruption. Anyone who ever studied Latin or Roman history will find this beautifully written book a joy.

The Reformation, by Will Durant. (Simon & Schuster, $7.50.) This is the sixth installment of Mr. Durant’s Story of Civilization, and is distinguished, as have been all his works, by lucidity of style that makes even abstruse philosophy palatable to the average reader. It is highly recommended.

A History of the English-Speaking Peoples, Vol. III: The Age of Revolution, by Winston Churchill. (Dodd, Mead, $6.00.) In this third volume of his monumental work, Sir Winston continues to amaze us with his power, his grasp of history, his trust that what I say about it will not bring on a sentimental revival. It was a yellow disc about an eighth of an inch thick and the circumference of an electric socket. When you dropped it into a socket and screwed in the bulb or plug, it acted as a circuitbreaker, stopping the current a few seconds, letting it pass, stopping it again and so on into the night.

THE SNOWS OF

During the plague years the fashion was to insert a button into the line to the tree lights. The whole damned tree flashed on and off, on and off, on and off. It was, in the full New England meaning of the word, a “sight.” But the epidemic reached its virulent peak in the Kimball house. It was an old three-story mansion with a great many windows, and in each and every window there was an
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ability to bring to life the great leaders of the past. This volume covers the years 1688 to 1815 and ranges all over the world.

Alarms & Diversions, by James Thurber. (Harper. $4.50.) This is a collection from Mr. Thurber's work, both prose and drawings, of the last 20 years. One-third of the text has not been published previously in book form. Included are short stories and essays, recapitulations of two notorious murder cases and his devastating parable in pictures, The Last Flower, of special pertinence in this year of Sputnik. Mr. Thurber has no peer among today's humorists and few among today's prose writers.

The King Ranch, by Tom Lea. Two volumes, boxed. (Little, Brown. $17.50.) This is the story of the fabulous 1,000,000-acre King Ranch in Texas, America's greatest private domain, told and illustrated by the brilliant Texas painter who became a successful author, too, when he wrote The Brave Bulls. Mr. Lea spent years in research on the subject, and his two volumes are required reading for anyone interested in the American West.

Connoisseur Period Guides, edited by Ralph Edwards and L. G. Ramsey. (Reynal & Company, $8.75 a volume.) These four volumes—The Tudor Period, The Stuart Period, The Early Georgian Period and The Late Georgian Period—will make as handsome a Christmas present as you can find in a bookstore. Compiled from the distinguished British magazine devoted to the decorative arts, and beautifully illustrated, they set the social scenes of the different periods and describe the evolution of the different architectures and interior decoration of the periods, as well as their painting, sculpture and costume. They compose an invaluable work of reference.

This Was Andersonville, edited by Roy Meredith. (McDoull, Obienky, $12.50.) For anyone interested in the Civil War and the notorious Confederate prison camp but repelled by MacKinlay Kantor's fictional treatment of it in Andersonville, this book is the answer. It is taken from the writings of John McElroy, a journalist, who was in the first contingent of Union prisoners sent to Andersonville but managed to survive all its horrors.

Jubilee, edited by Edward Weeks and Emily Flint. (Atlantic, $7.50.) This book marks the centennial year of The Atlantic Monthly, one of the world's outstanding literary magazines. Its 1,200 issues were culled for the best material, and Jubilee is the result. Works of 132 of the finest authors of the century are included—among them Holmes, Thoreau, Twain, Browning, Hawthorne, Benet, Eliot, Shaw, Hemingway, Marquand, Masefield, Yeats, Joyce, to name only a few. A perfect bedside book.

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The Christmas stocking was as traditional as the tree. There seem to be two schools of thought regarding the correct place to hang the stocking: over the fireplace or at the foot of the bed. The latter belief, to which I subscribe, is held almost exclusively by those of us whose childhood home contained no fireplace, but

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THE SNOWS OF YESTERYEAR Cont'd.

I think there are sound arguments in its favor. If the fireplace is in the living-room with the tree, the pleasure of ransacking the stocking is diminished by the sight of the larger presents under the tree, and a small child can hardly get it done without turning on a light. Perhaps the keenest Christmas memory I have is of waking up in the pre-dawn blackness, groping for the fat stocking, taking it into bed with me under the covers, and investigating its contents by the sense of touch alone. It was cheating, though I forget why, to put on the light.

No Useful Presents

The contents could be almost anything. The only requirements were an orange in the toe and an absence of Useful Presents. I always hoped that Santa had gone light on the fruit and candy, and heavy on the toys, but there had to be an orange in the toe. I have learned since that this custom dates back to the days when oranges were comparatively rare and expensive. By the time I was hanging up my stocking they were much too commonplace to be considered a treat, but if that orange had not been there I would have felt that Santa had slipped up rather badly. As for Useful Presents, I am a right-thinking child and agree that a stocking is not the place for a nice pair of mittens.

The elusive train

After the stocking, the larger presents. The only tradition I recall about them was a tradition all by itself, and one which every right-thinking child will agree has far more charm than it was obliged to be, and the stocking was spent all helping to prepare the feast. When everything was ready, we sat down to the Christmas dinner. I know that this, too, should be fraught with fragrant memories, but I must confess that for me it was always an anti-climax. It had none of the excitement of the stocking or the presents or even of trimming the tree. Its menu was much the same as that for Thanksgiving. And there was the phenomenon of Great-Aunt Janet. We ate a late breakfast on Christmas morning, gave a stock and a promise to the wrapping-straw living-room, and drove over to grandmother's house—in the Essex, not a sleigh—for dinner. The house teemed with aunts and uncles and cousins, but through the tumult, or somehow over it, sailed Aunt Janet.

After the experience of Janet, dinner was only another humdrum meal. In one hand she bore a gold-tipped Egyptian cigarette; in the other she bore a gold-decorated bottle of passion-fruit cordial; and she spoke such beautiful English, with no trace of a New England accent, that we could scarcely understand her. I remember my mother telling me, one Christmas on the way home in the Essex, that Aunt Janet, though her husband was long dead, lived on in Chicago. Which, of course, would explain almost anything. Probably this blot on the 'scotch-broom' was revealed to me on the same day Janet told everybody she had been given the last word in fruit cordial by Marshal Foch. No doubt she had, but as my father remarked to my mother, it could not be the same bottle we had seen on previous Christmas Days ... and were to see, if he had known, on a good many more. I have been brooding over the problem, and I think I know the answer: I think the kind marshal must have given her a whole case.

A guilty pleasure

The last Christmas I spent at home was five years ago. There was no bulging stocking, no trip to grandmother's house, but at nightfall on Christmas Eve it began to snow, and snowed all night. We watched A Christmas Carol on television, opened our presents with guilty pleasure, and then sat talking and sipping eggnog by the lights of the tree. Christmas Day was even more sparkling bright than it was obliged to be, and the morning was spent all helping to prepare the feast. When everything was ready, we sat down to drink a martini.

After a couple of sips, my father suddenly put down his glass and walked over to the barometer. In all the bustle he had forgotten to take his morning reading. Now he tapped it once or twice, peered at it for a moment, and told us, "It snowed last night." He glanced thoughtfully at the world of white beyond the window, and then sat down again and raised his glass. "I always do like a white Christmas," he said.

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Home Screen

GIFT LIST FOR EVERYBODY ELSE ON TV

By John Sharnik

People in the television business are no more original or efficient than anybody else when it comes to Christmas shopping. A day or two before the holiday, the network offices will be in the same shape as all the other businesses: phones unattended, letters unanswered, bills unpaid—because all the producers' secretaries will be out scurrying through the stores, trying to pick out presents that their bosses never got around to. It's a wonder they ever manage to get the blue snow ordered for White Christmas, or the calypso dancers outfitted for Santa Claus Is Coming to Town.

Murrow's easy chair

Well, this year I've determined to take the extra load off the industry's mind so it can concentrate on the workaday problems of the season. Our own Christmas shopping is under control—we're giving green stamps—so I've had time to make out a list of gifts that I wish other people would give each other.

Ed Murrow, for example, needn't rack his brain about what to give Dave Garroway, Steve Allen or any of those other low-budget operators who have to do their shows while perched so uncomfortably on kitchen stools. Obviously they could make good use of one of those deep, overpadded easy chairs from which Murrow conducts his electronic visits.

Mind you, I've never heard so much as a whimper from Allen or Garroway about the seating accommodations on their shows, but I've noticed that their guests tend to plant themselves rather gingerly. Especially the ones in evening clothes. They have the startled, somewhat embarrassed look of a visitor who has arrived dressed for dinner, and found himself called in to the refrigerator to help whip up a tuna fish salad.

Another charitable gesture that would seem appropriate at this season would be some new phonograph records for the big dramatic shows. Orchestral arrangements, with a whole lot of different instruments. Many of these programs have been struggling along for years now with those solo harmonicas and guitars that give all the mood of a Sunday afternoon in shanty town. Every time you hear that lonely mouth organ start to wail, you expect a cast of needy-looking waifs in torn knickers and center-parted haircuts to lurch onto the scene.

Give a host

As for the guitarists, I figure they can't keep going much longer, anyway; their mine of improvisation has been just about worked dry. Not long ago I was involved in a program for which we hired a guitar to give us the Hungarian national anthem. I've never been sure we got what we paid for, because a few weeks later I heard him use the same tune on a 90-minute Western, in the scene where the gunfighter gets his on the steps of the saloon.

The drama programs themselves shouldn't have too much trouble deciding what sort of presents to send. There must be somebody on their lists who would love to get a host for Christmas, and I don't know of any dramatic show that couldn't spare one very easily.

A host, of course, is an otherwise unemployed actor in dinner clothes who comes on just before the opening commercial to tell you that tonight's play is a drama of terrifying suspense, starring several worthy players, and that it will become visible after the opening commercial. Nowadays, the woods are just full of hosts, to say nothing of assistant hosts and deputy hosts. In at least one recorded instance, a man was introduced as "guest host"—a social position not covered by any known rules of etiquette.

The host is sometimes introduced by his host, the commercial announcer, who may be introduced, in turn, by a program announcer. Program announcers function only as off-camera voices; they are never seen—presumably because they don't own dinner clothes.

Hosts being such a glut on

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Antiques

QUESTIONS &

This column is devoted to questions about old things. Letters will be answered on this page or by mail. No attempt at evaluating antiques will be made. One question to a letter, please.

We have a three-piece coffee set which is an old family possession. Can you give us an idea of its age and whether it is English or American?

D.K.—Shaker Heights, Ohio

Your set is English sterling silver, the coffee pot (not shown here) made by William fountain of London in 1802; the creamer by William Sumner, 1810; sugar bowl by Sumner in 1811.

My wooden-works clock has the name Blakeslee behind the pendulum. How old is it?

R.A.—Lafayette, Indiana

The label behind the pendulum of your clock indicates Edward K. Blakeslee, who assembled and sold clocks and clock parts at Cincinnati, Ohio, from about 1830-40.

Pictured is one of five tiles found in an old trunk. Are they worth saving?

H.F.—Gary, Indiana

Your tiles depicting animal fables (here The Fox and the Crow) are definitely worth saving. They were made by the Minton firm of Stoke-on-Trent, England, c. 1870.

These pieces of a lustreware tea set have no identifying marks and have been in the family since 1926. Is this china of domestic manufacture?

H.H.S.—San Diego, California

It is an English tea set, Staffordshire, pink lustre bone-porcelain, 1810-20.
Sketched is a glazed piece 22 1/2” x 17 1/4” in cream with green and brown sea weeds and pink flowers trimmed in gold. What is it called, where was it made and can it be repaired? B.M.P.—Knoxville, Tenn.

Marine motifs of anchor, dolphin and boat with figurehead are combined in the compottier of Renaissance style in 19th century revival. Made by Eichwahl factory, Bohemia, after 1871, it is apparently porcelain, and repairable.

We have had this bed in the family for 90 years. It has slats but no springs and the pieces fit together with iron key and keyholes. What is the style? H.K.J.—Corpus Christi, Texas

This is a picturesque version of the early Victorian canopy bed as made for ante-bellum Southern mansions.

My antique pewter coffee pot was made by Reed & Barton, with the name “Flanders House” under the spout. What can you tell me about it? F.H.—Inglewood, Calif.

Your lighthouse-shaped vessel, embellished with mask spout, crested angular handle and leaf engraving, dates in the 1880s. Apparently from “Flanders House,” it was made in Taunton, Mass.

Can you tell me anything about this globe and sword mark on three pieces of smooth white ware, trimmed in gold and delft? J.W.E.—Baltimore, Md.

This mark and motto “BONA FAMA EST MELIORA FAMA” were used by E. & W. Bennett of Baltimore, 1856-1890.

What is the period of the dark blue clock and candelabra with rams’ heads? They are from my father’s family. F.W.H.—Ridgewood, N. J.

From the information supplied, your mantel garniture is a fine example of the Louis XVI revival, about a century ago in France.
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An electrical outlet system that looks like a baseboard was put on view recently in U.S. Steel's seven-room Steelaire-Fifth Avenue model dwelling. The baseboard carries twin outlets (30 or 60 inches apart) around the room in a wired raceway, accommodating enough plugs for any arrangement of lamps and appliances, eliminating rewiring for extra equipment. National Electric Products, Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Six skiers report on their favorite slopes

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING
By Dorothy Hoyt Nebel

When the snow leaves Belleayre, in New York State, where I head the ski school, my husband, Charlie, and I take off for a skiing vacation in the West. We have skied most of the Western places but Jackson Hole in the Tetons of Wyoming is our favorite. Jackson is about 175 miles north by road from the Union Pacific stop at Rock Springs (Mondays and Fridays there is a bus, taxis anytime). Several small hotels in Jackson stay open for the skiing season, but we always stay at Betty Woolsey’s Trail Creek Ranch in Wilson at the foot of Teton Pass. Her place is simple, a main house for meals with surrounding cabins, but the setting is lovely—a clearing of pasture land at the edge of the forest—and the company is always congenial. Usually we start off by driving in to Jackson where there is a fine chair lift on Snow King Mountain and a good choice of runs—steep slopes, smooth or bumpy as you like, trails or open woods. After a fresh fall of snow we like to ski the lift line, a 1600 foot drop in 4000, and only about 30 feet wide so you have to be wide awake as you zoom around the towers. One of the real high points of skiing at Betty Woolsey’s is the trip to Granite Hot Springs. You pack in, carrying your food and sleeping bags, and then swim in a beautiful forest pool of hot spring water with the snow-covered mountains towering above you. A long, slow climb up the mountain with skins on your skis... the wonderful peace of the mountain silence... then a descent in linked turns on perfect corn snow... and finally a swim in warm water. Some days we just take it easy, eating lunch and sunbathing on the bare rocks beside the pool. And a quick dip before bed really relaxes you for the night.

SQUAW VALLEY, CALIFORNIA
By Alexander Cushing

The Squaw Valley skiing season starts with the traditional Turkey Trophy race at Thanksgiving and ends on the Fourth of July with the annual Midsummer Ski Derby. February and March are considered the height of the season, but as soon as snow flies and the lifts start operating, skiers flock to Squaw Valley. We think it is one of the really well-rounded skiing areas in this country and skiing families including beginners and experts all find the right slopes here. There are four rope tows for the beginners’ area on the lower slopes just outside the lodge. The main lift is a few yards from the lodge, extending 8200 feet up the mountain with three way stations. Beyond its upper terminal, another section of aerial tramway continues to the top of Squaw Peak, giving access to North Bowl and Sun Bowl on the back of the peak, and to the steep face of Headwall, a challenge to the best. There is a lift which starts near the lodge, going up KT-22 for 8200 ft. with a 900 ft. vertical rise. New this winter is another 3000 ft. double chair lift, the first of three being constructed for the 1960 Olympic Games. Accommodations are close to the lodge, with rates to meet every requirement, ranging from dormitories at $3 to suites at $26. A feature of the resort is a five-day “learn to ski special,” offering accommodations, meals, use of all lifts and tows, and ski lessons. The Squaw Valley Ski School is well known for its instruction in the parallel (French) technique of skiing. Private instruction is available.

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ASPEN, COLORADO
By Grace Carter Lindley

Aspen is more like a European skiing town than any other place in the U. S. I think this is because it isn't a resort superimposed on the landscape but a real town full of shops, restaurants, bars and many different places to stay—from quickies like Ed's Beds to the solid Victorian comforts of the old Jerome Hotel. Prices range from a dollar a night to as much as you wish to splurge in "Parlor A" of the Jerome. Many skiers stay in small establishments that don't serve meals, but there are plenty of handy spots for eating. Our favorite for breakfasts and teas is the Epicure on the corner near the Jerome. It's tiny, with a short counter looking into the big kitchen. They also serve a table d'hôte dinner for a dollar, which is a boon to parents because children can trot over there alone, eat the simple one-plate meal, and return home unattended.

Aspen is really heaven for teenagers. They stroll in utter freedom from shop to soda fountain to movie to rock-and-roll joint. And for little children it's a Pied Piper place. Moppets aged seven—this I know—go off to ski school quite alone, each a walking parka stuffed with spare mittens, chocolate, Kleenex, ski wax, extra sweater. And, if I might add, the ski school is surely one of the best in the world, as it ought to be with such maestri as Fred Iselin and Friedl Pfeiffer. The home mountain—Ajax on the maps, but more often called Aspen—is 300 vertical feet of very skiable drop, backed off by an exquisite circle of really rugged high peaks—remote and glaciated. Ajax-Aspen and its sister Bell, are steep enough and interesting enough to test the world's champions.

SUN VALLEY, IDAHO
By Nelson Bennett

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ALTA, UTAH
By Jane Pillsbury Resor

Alta, just an hour’s drive from Salt Lake City, is a wonderful skiing spot for us because it’s such a good family resort. Last March we took the three oldest boys, 12, 9 and 7, but this year we also plan to take the younger two. There is a very gentle nursery slope right in front of the Alta Lodge, where we stayed, and because the lodges are down long ramps from the highway you don’t have to worry about cars. Alf Engen, who heads the ski school at Alta, is really interested in teaching children; he has a boy of his own who looks like a coming champion. Another good thing, for children at least, is that Alta is so quiet. In the old days of silver mining it was a town of 5000, but now it is just four lodges (Alta, Rustler, Peruvian and Snow Pine), a few private chalets and the Wasatch Forest Ranger Station. Most evenings there will be a square dance or a ski movie in one of the lodges—you visit around—but there’s no night life and the general atmosphere is simple. Only people who really like to ski, and who love unspoiled mountain beauty, come to Alta. Alta is famous for its “deep powder”—it has a long season (Thanksgiving to early May), heavy snowfall, and very dry air. The lifts are good and, comparatively, not expensive. There are no long hikes or bus rides to get to the lift. You put on your skis in the morning and ski to the lift. Coming home, there are little rope tows that haul you back to your lodge. There is a pleasant shelter up the mountain, between the two main lifts, where you can get a light lunch or rest between runs on a sunny terrace. There is good “touring” at Alta, especially the trip over to the neighboring resort of Brighton. You go over by one route, have lunch at the Alpine Rose Lodge in Brighton, then ride up the Brighton lift and ski back to Alta by a different route. Sunday is the day for “touring,” when the Alta slopes are crowded with skiers up for the day from Salt Lake City. On weekdays it is never jammed—the total capacity of all four lodges is only about 250. And it is a high country. The lodges are at about 8700 feet, and you ski up another 2000. This gives you good open slopes, but scattered tongues of timber run up to the passes, so there is protection from the wind.

SUGAR BOWL, CALIFORNIA
By Dorothea Walker

Sugar Bowl, 190 miles north and east of San Francisco, is one mile west of Donner Summit, 41 miles west of Reno. It is a ski village (26 private houses and a ski lodge) in the upper reaches of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, accessible only by overhead tramway (the Magic Carpet). There are two rope tows and two double chair lifts, a 1200 foot drop on Mt. Disney, a 1600 foot drop on Mt. Lincoln, and no waiting lines. It claims the best ski school in the far west and one of the best in the country, led by Luggi Foeger, formerly of St. Anton, Austria. The season opens December 13. You can expect waist-deep powder snow in January and February, five sunny days out of seven in March and April. March is the best all-round bet for good weather and ski conditions. The average snowfall a season is 14 feet and the temperature never gets below zero. All slopes are open. Spring brings exceptionally good skiing conditions. There is no so-called season but accommodations are booked well in advance for New Year and Easter weeks. Skiers come mostly from San Francisco Bay area. The householders are San Franciscans. Some will rent their houses furnished at $10 per day per person. Weasels (tractor-like conveyances) deliver groceries, haul laundry and baggage, take non-skiing guests on short excursions. Prices in the lodge range from $12 a day for balcony room with private bath (single) to $3 a day, dormitory. The lodge offers movies, ping pong, and bingo. Householders entertain at out-of-door buffet luncheons, picnics on Mt. Lincoln, buffet dinner parties, tea and cocktail parties. There is an air of informal gaiety but almost everyone goes to bed early. The Sugar Bowl attracts dedicated skiers.
the drama shows, I'm sure it would be all right with the viewers if \textit{Climax}, for example, gave somebody William Lundigan for Christmas, or if \textit{Suspicion} wanted to send Dennis O'Keefe across town in holly-printed wrappings. I mean, it's something we could probably get used to, because most of us were brought up anyway on movies or the theatre, where nobody did anything for you except to tear your ticket in half and show you where the seats were. You had to figure out for yourself what kind of drama it was, and that, actually, was not too hard, once you managed to get the hang of it.

Of course, if you're giving a host for Christmas, you want to send him to somebody who'll appreciate him—say, to a panel show or a variety show, where he can be put to use as a guest. Normally, a guest is a man with a program of his own coming up later in the week, or else one with a new movie just released, a new play just opening, a new book just published, or a new recipe soon to be premiered at Ruby Foo's Chinese restaurant in New York. The nice thing about this Christmas gift is that it would be an unusual kind of guest. I'm sure Perry Como or \textit{If That's My Line} would be delighted to have a visitor who, when introduced, could say, "No, I'm not doing a thing right now. Just happened to have a little time to kill, and figured the exposure wouldn't do me any harm."

I even have a couple of smashing gift ideas for sponsors. Inexpensive, too, because it amounts to a simple exchange of goods. The headache-remedy people, for instance, might send a box of their pills over to the girl who demonstrates dull, stringy hair on the wave-set commercials. Actually, as far as I can see, there's nothing wrong with her hair; it's just that pained, pinched expression she wears that makes her unattractive. Get her out from under that migraine and you'd be surprised what a fine looking girl she really is.

In return, the wave-set people might ship one of their kits—suitably gift-wrapped, of course—to the housewife all knotted up with pain in the nagging-headache message. If you ask me, her trouble is all in her mind; she has simply let her appearance go, and she knows it, while messing around in the kitchen. Just let her get that frizzy hairdo out of her eyes and I'll bet she'd perk up considerably.

Come to think of it, for the really distinguished gift, why not send a sponsor—I'm sure the old-movie programs can spare a few. They all have dozens of sponsors standing around, jostling each other for elbow room in between segments of the movie. Sometimes the movie itself gets in the way, sort of slows down the snappy pace built up by one commercial after another. I think everybody might be happier if the programs sent a few of their sponsors, say, to some of the Sunday afternoon current-affairs or discussion shows, where the performers have to go on cold, without an important message about soap, beer or home appliances to grab the viewer's attention. It ought to work out fine for the sponsors, too, because over there they'd have those long uninterrupted minutes of nothing but program, building up suspense for the commercials.
THE BEST CHRISTMAS

Merry, happy, joyous, jolly, bright, white and good old fashioned are some of the well remembered sorts of Christmas you are sure to be wished in the none too peaceful days and seldom silent nights ahead. But not by us; we give you another greeting.

And, among the old saws and songs that will be filling the air and the airways, you will hear again, and undoubtedly again, that Christmas is just for children, or for parents, or for merchants, or for people in the country or in colder lands. It isn’t really.

Christmas is for you. It cannot truly be understood or enjoyed vicariously—through other people or other places or other times. We therefore wish that you may have a personal Christmas this year—made meaningful and merry and memorable by your own participation.

By personal we do not mean solitary, for it is a day of love and rejoicing for the whole Christian world. So, if you would celebrate and honor this day, do it yourself with those you love and in your own way. Pray your own prayers. Sing your own songs. Adorn your own home. Plan your own festivities. Choose the gifts you will give. Prepare them for giving and give them yourself.

The ideas on the pages that follow are presented in the belief that your best Christmas is a do-it-yourself Christmas.
Create Christmas with your own hands

Our one great and truly meaningful holiday deserves our best personal effort. The reward is the inner satisfaction and pleasure we get from making our own Christmas—decorations, food, gift wrappings. At this festive and joyful season, we should strive to be creative, to give imagination free rein, to let ourselves go. In the next 12 pages, H&G presents a portfolio of ideas for a wonderful do-it-yourself family Christmas. We show you two groups of decorations which, because they offer so many variations in color, shape and scale, can be made to look as if they really belong in your home. If you use only those colors that harmonize with your particular room scheme, the effect becomes natural and pleasing instead of fussy and distracting. Similarly, by suiting the scale of your decorations to the size of your rooms, you avoid clutter. The first group, a new collection of decorations inspired by the Renaissance painting opposite and designed in H&G colors, enables you to handle traditional fruits and foliage, those elements so well captured in the painting, in a fresh way, to give them new importance and relate them to contemporary living. The second group, created from such prosaic things as paper clips and ice cream sticks, is a family of demure little angels with Modigliani charm which can take flight to any part of your house or give wings to your packages. These are so simple children can make them. Finally, we take up the perennial question of how to make a gift as exciting on the outside as it is on the inside. Our ideas for inexpensive but original gift wrappings will insure that the wrapping does justice to the gift. All these ideas offer a look of elegance that belies their do-it-yourself origin. This then is H&G’s gift to you—ideas to help you make this your best Christmas ever.

Decorations from a Renaissance masterpiece

As Western civilization emerged from the dark ages into a vibrant era of new and great culture five centuries ago, the painters who illuminated this new birth of art looked not only to the timeless precepts and examples of their ancient Greek and Roman forebears but also to the rich, colorful life and land of their own 15th century Italy. Andrea Mantegna, who painted the great Madonna shown on the opposite page, was one of those humanists who evoked all the natural and created beauty of their own time and place to exalt the birth of Christianity. The warm colors and graceful shapes of the fruit, the birds and the foliage with which Mantegna adorned his Christmas scene have inspired H&G’s Renaissance collection shown both on the cover and on the next six pages. They are decorations which you will want to assemble and arrange yourself. The foliage is spruce and holly. The holly is real, fire-proofed and dyed; the spruce is of artificial but lifelike material. The papier-mâché birds, red and white berry clusters and stylized plastic fruits (oranges, lemons, limes, pears, apples and grapes) are unbreakable and wired so that they may be easily attached to greenery. Everything is made in easy-to-handle units and forms of varying sizes. Wreaths, sprays and trees can be combined with fruit and birds to provide any color scheme you wish. For ways to use these decorations all around the house, turn the page.
With H&G’s Renaissance decorations,

you can create a fresh Christmas aura,

festive in new color yet warm in tradition
How to assemble the decorations on the opposite page

**FOR ENTRANCES**

Left to right. (A) Holly wreaths are attached to poles as trees; over door, 2 holly arches bent into loops are teamed with 2 holly garlands; flattened crown basket holds fruit. (B) 4 holly garlands and 2 holly sconces flank door with 1 garland and 3 arches (2 upside down, 1 bent into a wreath) and a small holly tree above. (C) 6 garlands (lower 2 are bent at right angles) and 2 small wreaths are arranged on each side of door, “fanlight” above is made of 1 arch, 3 garlands and 1 large wreath. All greenery is decorated with fruit in colors which harmonize with door and exterior paint.

**FOR WINDOWS**

Left to right. (D) Vertical columns are formed with 2 garlands, 1 sconce each; horizontal is 4 garlands with 6 garlands arranged in a wide V above; wreath is centered over window. (E) Swag above small windows is made of 4 arches with holly bunches between; 4 garlands frame top of each window; below holly tree on sill are 4 garlands, 1 arch, 2 holly bunches. (F) Large window is outlined by framework of 12 garlands with 1 holly sconce at top of outer verticals; arch is centered over window, wreaths to left, right. Combined, these ideas make focal point of window; use just one idea for simple effect.

**FOR ROOMS, HALLS**

(G) 4 garlands, 2 holly sconces outline mirror; crown basket and holly bunches decorate mantel. (H) 2 arches circle mirror; 2 garlands, 2 holly bunches and 1 arch decorate mantel, holly tree stands at each end. (I) 4 arches, upside down, swathe chandelier. 7 arches, 7 garlands are roped around balustrade; 2 arches, 2 sconces surround mirror; 4 arches, 3 garlands are used as table decoration. (J) Each espaliered tree is made from 5 sconces and 7 garlands attached to wall; painted cardboard simulates tub. Real greenery may be used with fake for long simple ropes.

Please turn the page for the HaG decoration units you can buy.
The simple, basic elements of H&G's Renaissance decorations

These enduring fruit and foliage decorations can be bought in the units shown on these pages. Like the display pieces used by florists and stores, the units are designed to be assembled in all kinds of ways on any desired scale, from a door decoration to a table centerpiece. The shapes and sizes are easy to handle and put together. All fruits and birds have long wires. (Wire fruit as close to greenery as possible for the best effect.) The spruce and holly wreaths, garlands and arches are mounted on a metal framework which can be bent with ordinary pliers. If you need to sever the metal, use heavy wire cutters or a hacksaw, but the wide range of sizes should eliminate this. The trellis-like framework may be hooked to nails in woodwork or to jiffy hangers on plaster walls. (For plaster, use a light construction, plenty of hangers.) Although made to last, these decorations are lifelike enough to be combined with real evergreens.
Small blue spruce sprays come in 8”, 12” and 18” heights.

Apples are polished red plastic.

Holly orcfi on meiol irome is 45” wide, 24” deep.

Oranges are plastic with peel-like surface.

Holly arch on metal frame is 45” wide, 24” deep.

Crown baster is expanded gold metal.

Apples are polished red plastic.

Holly sprays, 12”-15” high, come in bunches of 6.

Limes are plastic, lifelike in texture.

Pears are smooth pale yellow plastic.

Crown basket is expanded gold metal.

Lemons are sharp yellow, green-tinted.

Peaches have realistic, delicate thorns.

Holly garland is 30” long and attached to a sturdy metal frame.

Grapes, wine-red, purplish-blue, 24 or 12 to a cluster.

Light green grapes, 12 or 24 to a cluster.

Dried teasels, gilded and wired come in large or small sizes.

White berry clusters come 12 to each bunch.

Red berry clusters bunches of 12.

Small holly tree with 1 candleholder stands 24” high on its base.

Continued
Renaissance decorations provide
varied holiday settings

The adaptability of these fruit-and-foliage decorations allows
a wide range of entertaining effects. Choose elegant arrange­
ments, muted colors for formal rooms; bold, simple decorations
for modern or Early American interiors. Try different uses for
units: wreaths as bases for punch bowls, arches as backing for
a buffet. We attached the fruit to the greenery in the free,
realistic manner of the Mantegna painting, but it may also be
wired in tight, symmetrical garlands in the Della Robbia style.

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST

Spruce and pears, limes, green grapes provide a sunny, California
color scheme for Christmas breakfast, left (if you want to give
grapes a lifelike bloom, dip them in a bag of talcum powder,
lightly dust off excess). For the richer, warmer look of an old-
fashioned New England breakfast, substitute holly, apples, red
berries and green grapes. Or have a crown basket centerpiece
filled with holly and red berries, tied with big red ribbon bows.
For a brunch party, wire the grapes in 3 colors to small holly
trees (with candles removed) as sideboard decoration, put
individual centerpieces of grapes, white birds on small tables.
Setting, left, in a room decorated by Raymond Waldron of Lord & Taylor.

OPEN HOUSE PARTY

To suit the simplicity of a contemporary living room, left, spruce
trees and wreaths are decorated with red berries, apples, white birds.
For a family room party, keep floor space free by using a cornice
decoration of holly or spruce and red or white berries with flying
birds suspended from it. In a traditional living room, arrange
candle trees with gold and white or gold and yellow decorations
on the mantel, buffet, cocktail table. Good combinations with
spruce: clusters of peaches on wreaths in a French Provincial liv­
ing room; gold teals and oranges for a Regency mood; gold teasels
with gold Christmas tree ornaments to accent a neutral scheme.
Setting at left photographed in a room decorated by Lord & Taylor.

CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

In the traditional living room opposite, windows framed by dark
holly garlands decorated with citrus fruits make a glowing back­
ground for the formal table. The theme is repeated by candle trees
and centerpiece—holly bunches and fruit wreathed around cand­
elabra bases. Tawny fruit tones appear in the colors of china
and napkins, the white of berries and candles in a snowy Swiss
hobinet tablecloth with embroidered organdie appliqué.

Rosenthal-Block's Connoisseur "Greek Key" pattern china, Vul St.
Lambert's "Grocet" and "Summer" pattern glassware, Worcester's
"Thread and Shell" silverplate flatware, "Royal Rose" tablecloth by
Ottagia. All at Lord & Taylor. Prices of Renaissance decorations, page
152. For stores carrying H&G's Renaissance Collection, see page 151.

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Effective Christmas decorations require thoughtful planning. Scale is an important consideration, for one truly exciting decoration has more impact than three or four mediocre arrangements. It is better to err on the oversize rather than the undersize decoration. A perfect tree, trimmed with only a few ornaments, might well be the focal point, for it is beautiful in its simplicity. You may find that a simple grouping of dried plant materials or evergreen boughs, combined with gold stars and a trio of angels, is all the decoration your living room requires. For a dining room, the angels lend themselves to imaginative scenes over a sideboard. On the page opposite, they are used as a centerpiece with a small iron candelabrum that holds seven candles. Grouped in this manner, the kneeling and standing angels suggest the ancient Swedish custom of St. Lucia and the traditional festival of light.

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Elaborately wrapped gift packages take hours to create, seconds to tear apart. Some of the wrappings on the opposite page have unbreakable decorations, which can be preserved to adorn the whole house. Gift wrapping materials need not be lavish, but the effects you create can be. Such mundane things as paper clips, metal-rimmed tags—even notebook stickers, red-rimmed labels and paper plates—can be transformed into fascinating ornaments. If the design is kept flat, the trimming is ideal for packages that must be mailed or toted. Youngsters can stick, paste, glue and pat notebook stickers into storybook animal shapes, or wrap brightly colored yarn around cardboard figures. By bending four metal-rimmed tags, gluing them together and adding colorful lace trim, you can create shimmering package ornaments and move them to the tree after the packages are opened. Contrive charming effects with the multitude of pressed-out stars and gold paper medallions that are available. Best way to find what a material can or cannot do is to begin playing with it. Two-ply Strathmore paper, cut in inch-wide strips, suddenly will fall into a design. Then all you do is staple it in place.

You put a bit of yourself into Christmas when you make your own gift wrappings, for you give your own time and effort. If there is any secret to successful gift wrapping, it is the use of unusual colors and designs on a neatly wrapped box. Rubber cement makes the most satisfactory closing if you are using tissue paper, and for metal foil or other heavy papers, sticking tape is best. The Christmas tree with snow-laden boughs at the top of the opposite page was made from the edges of 6-inch white paper plates, trimmed with gold paper lace and topped with a pressed gold star. The reindeer head on the bright blue package is the basic tongue-depressor form, inverted, and with ears and antlers added. The angel in the red robe was fashioned from cardboard wrapped with red yarn, while the bunch of grapes was created from graduated sizes of metal-rimmed tags. Ornaments on the green package were made from four tag items in the middle, glued together and trimmed with gold medallions suspended on gold cord. Strathmore paper strips form the bird with the generous tail and the graceful ornament on the mauve package next to it. Surveying the gifts is an angel made from a Danish paper lampshade, her head a wooden bead, her wings gold metal foil, her pleated robe trimmed with gold medallions and a pressed gold star. Designs created by Ellen Sheridan.

For sources of materials used to make Christmas decorations write to House & Garden's Reader Service.
$30 Table, walnut grain plastic and brass; 18” x 18”, 15” h. Abraham & Straus.

$30 Bar stool, black lacquer frame, rush seat 29” high. Piazza Montici.


$30 Wall clock, gray ceramic, sepia center. Bloomingdale’s.

$30 Reproduction of Buffet’s “Orchid Still Life” in old chestnut frame, 31” x 25½” over-all. J. Pocker.

$30 Rattan jug is 24” high. Galleria.

$30 Record holder from Sweden stores 50 records. International Designers Group, Inc.

$30 Rattan vase shape, 29” high, measures 14” across bottom. Galleria.

$8 Potted Ficus exotica with small glossy leaves. 41” high. Julius Roehrs Co.

A generous house on a stingy lot

House and site are virtually one . . .

The plot plan at right (black area shows the house) epitomizes one of the surest skills of modern architecture: the wise use of land. Even on the smallest of sites, there is room for superior design and abundant living facilities. Certainly, no neater economy of space could be imagined than the use this Seattle house makes of its 60' wide site; in fact, it barely fits inside the lot lines. Yet, as these pages show, it combines complete privacy and rich variety.

. . . the façade expresses a modern dignity . . .

Viewed from a distance, this house presents a well ordered and inviting façade. But it keeps secret the plan behind the wall. Though the house stands close to the street, its peace and quiet are insured by the windowless walls, the carport and, at right, a garage. The narrow plot slopes downward to the north; this makes practical a two-story bedroom unit behind carport.

. . . and past the entrance, the unexpected

The entrance doors open, not to the house itself, but to an entrance foyer. Ascending the two steps shown at left, one unexpectedly encounters the delightful courtyard, opposite page. This sunny spot is bounded on all sides by the house—by the covered walk at left, the dining room at the far end, the kitchen-family room wing at right, and by the garage and entrance foyer on street side. The main entrance to house is at end of the walk.
The interior courtyard fulfills two great needs—for seclusion and outdoor living

For detailed plan and interiors, please turn the page
Comfort and formality thrive together

When Dr. and Mrs. Frank Wanamaker, the owners of this house, first approached their architects, they told them they wanted a feeling of spaciousness, privacy and a minimum of hall area. "And most of all," they added, "we'd like an architectural gem." The plan below shows how their wishes were fulfilled. Spaciousness is gained in several ways. Behind the entrance foyer is the large interior courtyard, accessible from the dining room and family room. At the rear, the living room has a large window wall overlooking a terrace and the house's only broad view—of the fairways of a golf course. As for privacy, the exterior walls themselves serve to screen most street traffic. The small garden opposite the courtyard is shielded from neighbor and street by a fence. Indoors, there is individual privacy for the family. The bedrooms are well apart from the living area and on two levels; the ground floor guest suite even has a small kitchen. The family room (see plan and the picture at right) was planned with only one indoor entrance—through the kitchen—to encourage its use as an informal family retreat.

"Kitchen work is a pleasure"

"When surrounded by family and friends," says Mrs. Wanamaker, "I find cooking and kitchen work a pleasure." The Wanamakers' kitchen and family room comprise one spacious and casual gathering-place, planned to dispel the "rebellious feeling a housewife experiences when she is confined by an enclosed kitchen." The kitchen area is a good size (18' x 10'), and the family room adds a sense of spaciousness and warmth in far greater measure than its dimensions would indicate. Two long rows of birch cupboards and cabinets provide exceptional kitchen storage space. Vinyl tile is the flooring in both areas, and the family area has walls of hemlock boarding. Doorway on far right leads to interior courtyard.
Formality in a modern spirit

Both the living and dining rooms, left, express a comfortable, contemporary formality. They have high ceilings finished with boards and battens. The walls are either hemlock boarding or plaster painted off-white. A living room window wall running from floor to ceiling permits a view of golf fairways. In the dining room, louvered doors open room to courtyard. Bare parquet floor and many-silled contemporary lighting fixture convey a formal mood to dining room.
CHAPTER 2

Tradition up to date

The art of combining contemporary seating pieces
with period furniture for modern comfort

Open plans, light-flooded interiors and an informal way of living have changed our approach to decorating with traditional furniture. In October H&G showed how to bring tradition up to date with contemporary backgrounds and arrangements. In this issue we concentrate on comfort. Comfort as we enjoy it today is vastly different from the 18th century, described on page 63, when lounging would have been considered undignified. We value relaxation as highly as beauty, and our decorating schemes should qualify on both counts. To accomplish this requires skillful mixing. Modern sofas and chairs which conform to the human figure as a slipper to the foot can be used as the key to comfort in every room of the house. Because of their trimly tailored lines and light scale they can be combined with furniture of other periods. To achieve balance and unity, the goal of good decoration, it is important to choose pieces which harmonize in line and scale with your antiques. The variety of styles available today, many of which can trace their ancestry to period pieces, makes this possible. The object of the following pages is to guide you in selecting appropriate types of seating pieces for your rooms and needs.

Comfort for the living room

Comfort to one generation meant the spindle back settle, to another the wing chair, to another the Récamier couch. Characteristic of 20th century comfort is the long, broad, low sofa in all its variations. Simple pieces without such superfluous ornamentation as nailheads or fringe are good any place. With heavily carved 17th century furniture you can use extreme contemporary pieces. If less ornate English 18th century furniture predominates, you can have modern pieces with details like button backs or biscuit tufting. French 18th century furniture calls for upholstered pieces with gentle curves. If you wish a traditional theme to prevail, you can use a classic pattern, such as the “Tree of Life” fabric on page 56, on your modern pieces and have matching curtains. If you have a majority of dark woods in the room you may feel the need of a strong solid color on your main seating piece to act as a balance of power for the brown tones. Continuity of line and color creates unity and lets the antiques predominate.

Shopping information for room shown opposite, page 152
Sleek modern sofa and side chairs with
an American Empire settee.
Modern brass and marble coffee table against
an elaborately patterned antique rug.
Bold colors contrasting with muted background.

For drama: contrast in line, pattern, color

Unexpected combinations of periods, patterns and colors make an unforgettable room. Here Edward J. Wormley, A.I.D. has concentrated on contrast. You are offered a choice of seating: the luxurious, deep-seated comfort of a contemporary sofa; the uncompromising rigidity of an American Empire settee. Because these pieces are similar in scale, they balance each other. Lilac upholstery on the sofa plays up the red lacquered frame of the settee. A linear motif is repeated in striped upholstery on the side chairs and bases of the “sheaf-of-wheat” end tables. Boldly patterned works of art, an early 18th century Peruvian rug and an abstract painting by contemporary artist Kenzo Okada relieve the severity of tile floor and plain walls.

Photographed at the Brooklyn Museum. Contemporary furniture by Dunbar.

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For beauty: furniture with graceful lines

The basic simplicity of this room brings out the elegance of choice antiques. Instead of masking the beauty of their furniture with too much fussiness, the owners chose white walls and a white marble floor which permit them to be seen in a fresh, gay atmosphere. The fabric used at the windows and on Louis XV bergères has a white background printed in a green floral motif. The sofa was purposely covered in solid green rather than the print to minimize its size. (This piece had to have enough “weight” to serve as the nucleus of a grouping standing away from the walls.) It is a contemporary design but has softly rounded lines that complement the curves of the antiques. The rug is also contemporary in design and color but has the feeling of an Aubusson usually found in rooms which are predominantly French 18th century.
Period furniture punctuated by a bright red modern sofa. An equestrian theme in curtains, accessories and a picture. Burlap covered walls, pegged floor.

Taking liberties with tradition to create a special atmosphere is a sound approach to a party room. In this room, decorated by Howard Perry Rothberg, A.I.D., oak, mahogany and walnut blend against the deep wood tones of floor, wainscoting and burlap walls. The modern sofa covered in "hunting pink" flannel is an accent piece.


Possessions of various periods, which Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson Cole collected over the years, give this room real character. Mrs. Cole, who (as Helen Cole) is known for imaginative flower arrangements, used color as the common bond: a family of orange reds spiked with pink and Bitter Green against white walls and an ecru rug.

For warmth: mixture of mellow wood tones

For harmony: a color scheme developed in upholstery
Contemporary furniture that traces its ancestry to 18th century French design. Variety of finishes: walnut, painted wood, polished steel. Airy openwork motifs, sunny colors.

For a glowing effect: a Mediterranean scheme

Unconventional use of bold color and pattern gives this room a contemporary look. The furniture lends itself to this treatment because of its classic simplicity. In designing the setting, decorator John B. Wisner, A.I.D., introduced the architectural device of a pierced wall (cast plaster grilles) to establish a Mediterranean mood. Wide striped yellow and white linen curtains may be drawn for privacy. The bed also has an openwork motif. The spread is blocked out in Marigold and terra cotta stripes. Vinyl brick wall covering, rubber tile floor, tweedy carpet add texture contrast.

Photographed at the National Home Furnishings Show, 1957
Contemporary furniture by Johnson Furniture Co.
Because of its personal character the bedroom is a natural place to express the desire for variety in decoration. To avoid the monotony of matched pieces you can combine beloved antiques with modern beds, which are the ultimate in comfort. There are contemporary headboards, many restyled from traditional types and compatible with whatever style of furniture predominates in the room. The camouflaged bed is the solution for bed-sitting rooms. Although the idea is not new, today we have beds that serve as sofas and need not be hidden in a niche or closet. The platform bed is one example; to many it may seem informal but it is elegant enough to go with antiques by virtue of its simplicity. In both rooms fabrics with geometric motifs convey a crisp, modern look.

Modern platform bed and rosewood chests with slim lines. Companion pieces of an earlier vintage for writing and games. Varied colored rugs for definition

A modern concept in room arrangement was applied by George Nelson to gain space in this small bedroom. Major requirements are met by modern storage pieces and a platform bed with fitted cover that serves as a sofa. The addition of an American Windsor writing chair and an American Queen Anne game table expands the room’s usefulness. Rugs underscore each area. Geometric printed curtains, striped bed cover play up the furniture’s lines.

Photographed at Brooklyn Museum.
Contemporary furniture, Herman Miller.
Shopping information on page 152.

For extra living space: floor plan with a difference
Dining rooms, like menus, have been liberated from formal codes. Today you can mix chairs, tables and chests of different periods if the pieces are compatible in finish and line. In today's homes where dining space is often integrated with living areas, dining chairs are called upon to serve as extra seats for games or conversation. Since they must be sturdy and lightweight—and antique chairs are costly to put in first-class condition—the solution lies in the contoured comfort of contemporary design. You can mix modern and antique pieces which balance each other in design and in purpose. Pieces with heavy cabriole legs will go with straight-lined pieces. The patina of a Regency rosewood cabinet harmonizes with a highly polished modern finish. Contrast in style and wood tones gives variety to small space which will not accommodate too many colors or patterns.

Comfort for the dining room

Modern Danish chairs—plywood "shells" with solid beech frames. Elegance of 18th century American table and corner cabinet.

For contrast: chiaroscuro of natural materials

Graceful modern dining pieces. Old English sideboard with copper collection as focal point. Brick floors for easy upkeep.

For diversity: modern and traditional shapes

Continuity of old and new is dramatically illustrated in this dining room designed by Edgar Kaufmann Jr. Around the American Queen Anne table are chairs which could only be the product of our own time. Shaped of molded plywood, they are remarkably comfortable and lightweight. Squares of tile floor are repeated in fireplace wall, and they contrast with the curves of the furniture.

An 18th century dining room is recreated here in a modern way. As if painting with light and shade instead of color, the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood K. Smith, combined honey colored teak with dark oak against a background of painted and waxed brick. The use of contrasting materials gives warmth without the need of curtains and rug. The sculptural lines of modern dining chairs and table are played against the "beauty-in-bulk" of a late 17th century English oak sideboard. Photographed at Brooklyn Museum.

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For a fresh approach: sleek materials, gay colors

The atmosphere of an Early American living-kitchen is captured here in a setting designed by Victor Gruen, A.I.A. Instead of employing knotty pine and homespun textures he used modern materials in cheerful yellow and white. The room derives its familiar, livable character from the furniture: modern oak and teak pieces with a handcrafted look; antique painted finishes. Primitive patterns of rugs, curtains sustain the theme. Photographed at the Brooklyn Museum.
18th c.
The Great Age in Design for Living

It also discovered
an American architectural talent
that is flourishing today

BY CARL BRIDENBAUGH

“How much we are excelled by those in Europe!” exclaimed young Edward Shippen in an abashed and envious mood when he reported his first encounter with the splendors of Georgian London in 1749. Yet not long after, his father’s friend Benjamin Franklin, also writing from London, expressed in mature vein to Charles Willson Peale his firm conviction that “the Arts have always travelled westward, and there is no doubt of their flourishing hereafter on our side of the Atlantic, as the number of wealthy inhabitants shall increase, who may be able and willing suitably to reward them; since from several instances, it appears that our people are not deficient in genius.”

The opinions of these two Philadelphians strikingly reveal the opposing points of view that have characterized American attitudes toward the arts from the 18th century to our own day. The former may be called the colonial and the latter the American state of mind: the one is imitative, traditional, and aristocratic; the other is self-reliant, original, and usually democratic.

The dictum of Hosea Bigelow notwithstanding, history never “runs smooth as grease,” and nothing is further removed from the truth than the common belief that the 18th century was decorous, stately, and calm. In Europe it opened like Dr. John Morgan and Samuel Powel (who called on Voltaire and the Pope on one journey), essayed the Grand Tour, but all, whether from impressions at first hand or from perusing books and gazing at prints and models, passionately desired to practice the cult of elegance in the manner of the English gentry. Had not a former Philadelphian, James Ralph, told Londoners that “no man can properly be styled a gentleman who has not made use of every opportunity to enrich his own capacity and settle the elements of taste, which he may improve at his leisure”?

Colonial taste was born of imitation by those who, like Edward Shippen, had been overwhelmed and impressed by the superiority of Europe and their energies to wrestling a living from the land and sea in the new environment. Stark necessity dictated that the enjoyment of the amenities of life be postponed, and, in consequence, medieval styles still prevailed as late as 1700. What happened along the Atlantic seaboard by 1770 to give validity to Franklin’s brilliant perception that the arts were crossing the ocean?

The answer, in a word, lies in GROWTH—a dynamic development unprecedented in the history of the western world. Benjamin Franklin pointed out that the colonial population doubled itself every 25 years. From a mere 210,000 in 1700 it rose to 2,500,000 in 1776, and by 1800 to 5,300,000. Compared with this vast and rapid accretion, the barbarian invasions of the Roman Empire appear puny. Thus in the first half of the period with a well-nigh dazzling speed the Scotch-Irish, Germans, Dutch, and French grafted on a basically English stock attained maturity as a new breed, the American; and in 1776 they stood ready to create “a nation where none before hath stood.”

Growth in numbers induced a remarkable expansion of settlement and agriculture that extended to the Alleghenies by the outbreak of the War for Independence and far into the Ohio Valley by 1800. The country, blessed by nature with a fruitful soil and limitless resources, underwent a steady exploitation by this energetic people. Agricultural surpluses of tobacco, rice, grains, and meats provided the colonial merchants with the means to purchase articles from England, and also brought about the growth of seaports. Large for their time, these first American cities turned out to be one of the wonders of the 18th century, and Philadelphia, with 40,000 inhabitants, in 1776 outnumbered any city in England except London.

As population and settlement expanded, colonial society rapidly piled up wealth. The average man lived far above the level of his European fellows, and fortune favored a few merchants and planters with riches that permitted them to coalesce into a distinct upper class. All the colonists readily accepted the idea of a hierarchy of social ranks as the normal and proper arrangement for persons in society; they merely demanded an opportunity to rise if their talents and achievements made this possible. Aristocracy in America reached its apogee between 1750 and 1800; its gentlemen and ladies constituted the Old Regime of the New American society.

Under the aegis of this gentry, taste was imported to the western shores of the Atlantic. Many provincial nabobs had visited Britain and viewed its upper-class mode of life; a few, like Dr. John Morgan and Samuel Powel (who called on Voltaire and the Pope on one journey), essayed the Grand Tour, but all, whether from impressions at first hand or from perusing books and gazing at prints and models, passionately desired to practice the cult of elegance in the manner of the English gentry. Had not a former Philadelphian, James Ralph, told Londoners that “no man can properly be styled a gentleman who has not made use of every opportunity to enrich his own capacity and settle the elements of taste, which he may improve at his leisure”? Colonial taste was born of imitation by those who, like Edward Shippen, had been overwhelmed and impressed by the superiority of Europe and... (Continued on page 135)
The 18th century was a decorative-arts century, one of the richest the world has known. People were ready for the comforts of furniture and houses designed to reflect the elaborate social customs of the day. The fashion pendulum swung from the early flamboyant baroque to the exuberant rococo of the mid-1700s and on to the simplicity and discipline of neo-classicism. Designers and craftsmen came into their own, and four great names from England alone are widely honored to this day: Thomas Chippendale, the brothers Adam, George Hepplewhite and Thomas Sheraton. A new tradition of taste was firmly established. Styles were named for the reigns of the period, Anne and the Georges in England, the Régence, Louis XV, XVI in France, as well as for the craftsmen who created them. For the most part these styles overlapped or merged gradually into one another. The American colonies reflected the taste of the mother country, often clinging to styles abandoned in London and frequently adding touches of somewhat surprising refinement. The styles developed in France, England and the colonies were aspects of similar changes of taste throughout Europe. Italy, Germany, Austria and the Scandinavian countries responded to the rococo style, until the delicate neo-classicism of the English architect-designer Robert Adam introduced a new note. His translation of the Roman art discovered among the ruins of Herculaneum and Pompeii created a new vocabulary of design.

In France, the high throne-like chairs of Louis XIV (1) yielded to furniture of the Régence (2), gracefully curved and dedicated to comfort. This style reached its peak in the reign of Louis XV (3). Carving became more elaborate; curves and scrolls replaced straight lines. The wave of neo-classicism that swept Europe in the 1760s meant the end of this rococo exuberance. The furniture of Louis XVI (4) was again restrained, with its carved and gilded elegance expressed in classic motifs. A transitional bergère (5) combines characteristics of both Louis XV and XVI styles.
In English and American furniture, Queen Anne (6) is the transitional style between the 17th century baroque and Chippendale. The cabriole leg, shaped but undecorated splat, and pad feet are typical. It was followed by carved decoration and the bold claw-and-ball of early English Georgian (7) and American Chippendale. Thomas Chippendale designed carved cabriole legs in the French taste (8) and also straight, undecorated legs and lattice-work splats (9) in the Gothic. By the 1770s a new style had been introduced by Robert Adam (10) and his classic elegance strongly influenced George Hepplewhite. Slender tapered legs, shield or oval backs, and inlaid decoration are Hepplewhite characteristics (11). Thomas Sheraton favored square backs, and turned legs (12 and 13).
Chair shapes became more varied, and comfortable upholstered wing chairs were popular in every style. Early examples had claw-and-ball feet and arms formed in vertical rolls (14); later Hepplewhite versions were broader, with straight legs and horizontal arms (15). The Queen Anne corner chair with low back and upholstered seat (16) was a useful desk chair. Such pieces were not numerous—the average household was more likely to have turned, slat-backed arm-chairs with rush seats (17) or a Windsor (18) with wooden seat and spindles set in a shaped back; this one is called a bow-back.

The sofa achieved popularity as the social customs of the tea table and the salon came to have importance. The Queen Anne piece (26) is low and small in scale, with cabriole legs and pad feet. The American Chippendale version (27) is taller and has typical claw-and-ball feet. A number of style elements—Gothic and Chinese—are combined in the triple-chair-back Chippendale settee (28). The Louis XV carved beechwood sofa (29) is upholstered in Aubusson tapestry, while the Louis XVI carved and gilded piece (30) emphasizes the neo-classic with its fluted legs, rosettes and medallions.

The day-bed or chaise longue was upholstered in the early 18th century, and the English Chippendale example (31) still has the characteristics of an extended arm chair. The French Régence piece (32) is elaborately carved and arms are enclosed. The French provincial piece (33) in Louis XV style is less ornate.
High-post beds appeared early in the century, usually topped by wood frames hung with fabric. Queen Anne and early Chippendale beds (34) had slender tapering posts and pad or claw-and-ball feet. The tent or field bed of the late 1700s (35) had an arched frame for the canopy and curtains; legs and posts became more rectangular, with fluting and carved decoration. In France the alcove bed (36), with its straight legs, head and footboard of the same height, and damask upholstery, was popular from the time of Louis XVI. In Southern Europe the low bed without hangings remained in favor, and the gilded baroque of the early Venetian style (37) was gradually replaced by rococo painted and carved beds. Crude rope supports for bedding were replaced by wooden frames to hold the newly introduced mattresses. Bedframes were carved, gilded, and painted, and in the more elegant court pieces had elaborate ornaments and frames topping the canopy.

Tables for drawing room use were in demand as the tea drinking fashion brought from the Orient flourished. Some had candle slides on the side (38). Drop-loaf tables (39) served for dining until the formal dining table appeared in Hepplewhite's time. Console tables (40), gilded and often marble topped, were used in France and England in formal rooms; marble was also favored for the top of pier or wall tables (41). Candle stands (42) were carved and gilded in the Chinese taste, or simply made with pedestal bases (43). Tilt-top tables (44), often with scrolled or piecrust edge, served as tea tables from the Queen Anne period on. Gaming tables had carved leaves that folded flat (45) or were raised against the wall; some had tops covered in needlepoint (46). The gate-leg table was replaced by the spider-leg (47), a lighter type with many slender legs; and the Pembroke table (48) with small drop leaves became a favorite in the Hepplewhite period. Richness of woods and use of marble or metal ornament characterized French tables of all sizes (49, 50). Tiered tables (51) served as "dumb-waiters" in dining room and drawing room.

The modern sideboard evolved from Robert Adam's side table flanked by pedestals (52) used as plate warmers (with portable brazier or colarrettes) and surmounted by urns. The pedestals were next incorporated in the table; urns could be placed on the top (53). The Hepplewhite sideboard (54) completes the development—it is raised on slender legs, has a graceful serpentine front with drawers and cupboard space, and has inlay decoration.

Tiered table: a clever innovation to meet the needs of hostesses then and now
Desks, in the 1700s, developed most of the forms that we know today. The Queen Anne desk-on-frame (55), with slant top and slender legs, resembled the original writing box on stand. The American Chippendale slant-top (56) often had bracket feet and delicate carving on the interior drawers and compartments. In France a light piece known as the bonheur du jour (57) was used as a lady’s writing desk and dressing table. Sheraton desks and this Hepplewhite example (58) were also lighter and raised on tapering legs—the upper part constructed with tambours (sliding panels made of slender strips of veneered wood on canvas). The writing table (59), often decorated with metal mounts, was popular in France and England. Heavier pedestal tables fitted with drawers and topped with leather (60) were another type that was developed in the Chippendale period for the libraries of great English country houses.

The lowboy, of the late 17th century, was in style through the Chippendale period. Used as dressing tables, the small Queen Anne pieces (61) often had simple shell-carved legs. The Chippendale lowboys (62), more elaborate, had carved shells and leaves on the bottom drawer and cabriole legs.

Bombé commode:

 fluid lines which foreshadow modern contours

Decorated chests, exemplified by this English commode c. 1765 (63), displayed the great skill and imagination of the cabinetmaker. Even the simple dower chest (64) of the average home was paneled and painted. Early chests of drawers were primarily functional, resting on bracket feet (65). Newport cabinetmakers created a distinctive style in the block-front (66), raised panels carved at the top with shells, sometimes alternating with concave sections. By mid-century the French taste for exotic woods and metal ornament had spread to England, and craftsmen in both countries produced graceful curved pieces with scroll feet and serpentine fronts; they sometimes extended the lower part of the frame in a bombé, or bulging S-shape curve. An American Hepplewhite example (67) has a swellfront. Semi-circular commodes (68), the French term applied to English and American pieces as well, were elegantly made, with painted and satinwood decoration. French provincial chests simplified the extreme rococo of Louis XV (69) in two and three drawer pieces. The classic elegance of Louis XVI court furniture (70) concealed drawers with a skilful matching of woods and ornament.
The chest-on-chest, a useful storage unit, describes itself. Early English pieces (71) had simple bracket feet and depended on a richly veneered surface for decoration. American versions (72) of a later period had carved finals, scrolled pediments, and the characteristic New England block-front construction. They were often decorated by carving on upper center drawer, ornate brasses.

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The secretary, or desk-bookcase, became more elegant with each successive style. Queen Anne pieces (75) were slant-top desks on carved legs topped by a cabinet with mirrors or paneled doors. Italian lacquered pieces (76) were decorated in the Chinese taste and had many intricate drawers. In Chippendale pieces the tops had glazed (77) or paneled (78) doors. The French favored carved and veneered drop-front cabinets (79), often with mechanical devices (80). Hepplewhite secretaries (81) had glass panels in narrow geometric molding.

Cupboards and bookcases were necessary household furniture in a century when closets were unknown. The large Dutch kas (82) of the 17th century, with painted decoration, was continued into the early 18th century. Cupboards were often built into the wall (83) and used to display and store china. French provincial armoires (84), or clothes presses, with rococo carving were made well into the 1800s. Bookcases such as this early English one (85) and American block-front (86) became heavier and more elaborate, reaching their finest form in the English breakfront (87). Rarely made in America until the end of the century, it was a joined series of bookcases with cupboards underneath. Hepplewhite and Sheraton pieces (88) were smaller, often with inlaid drawers in a serpentine front.
Marantanas: 
brightest news in house plants

Alfred Byrd Graf, author of Exotica, 
new cyclopedia of indoor plants, 
discloses some practical ways to bring 
the beauty of a rain-forest indoors

Marantanas are a group of tropical plants, found chiefly in equatorial South America, that are being discovered in the north for their brilliant and colorful foliage as indoor plants. Quite apart from their beauty, half the fun of growing them lies in the contradictions and conversation they afford to expert and amateur alike. The chief contradiction, of course, is that an equatorial rain-forest plant should lend itself, even indifferently, to survival in a world of soot, smog and central heating. Conversation enters, first, when you talk with Alfred Graf about his pursuit of exotic plants across the world’s jungles and then when your friends see in your living room a collection of marantanas like those on the opposite page. Marantanas, a family of plants in three or four closely related genera, are little known in this country except for a few species, including the “prayer plant” that is carried by most florists. They are little known for two reasons. Because in Europe they had always been considered “stove” plants, suitable only for warm greenhouses or conservatories, they were regarded, without trial, as poor risks for superheated houses and apartments here. More important, perhaps, was the fact that not many people had studied the marantanas in their native habitat or bothered to collect and propagate them for general distribution. In the course of preparing an inclusive and definitive illustrated book on plants for indoor growing, Alfred Graf has done both. As a dedicated plant hunter, explorer, photographer and plantsman, as well as general manager of one of the best known commercial greenhouses in the country, he has photographed some 70 species and varieties, is growing them all under glass, or on window sills, or over the kitchen sink, or at the back of his desk, or other less likely places. Somewhat to his own surprise, they are doing well almost everywhere he puts them. There appear to be two reasons for this. One is that he tends almost instinctively to do nothing that will not benefit his plants. The other is that marantanas can make good house plants.

About marantanas several facts stand out in the Graf lexicon. First, some are more amenable to home conditions than others (see list, page 73). The best known are not necessarily the best grown. All will make good use of all the humidity you can provide in the air around them. Primarily foliage plants, marantanas do not need much sunlight—in fact, will not thrive in a sunny window unless special shading is provided. They do well in artificial light. The soil in which marantanas are grown should never for a moment be permitted to dry out. Clay pots are preferred for members of the maranta family wherever the surroundings are moist enough so that the pot will

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Leaf swatches from Brazil for a north window

Moisture, subdued light are the chief requirements. Once thought to require a warm greenhouse in order to thrive, marantanas have proved surprisingly amenable to room conditions if a little special care is used in their accommodation. To the half dozen species already known, Mr. Graf’s collecting adds literally scores, all among the 4,000 exotic plants illustrated in his monumental new book just published by Julius Roehrs Co. Here, in a two-foot plant box around an 18-inch “pool,” eleven cluster to make house plant conversation: 1. Calathea argyraea; 2. C. makoyana; 3. C. ornata roseo-lineata; 4. C. insignis; 6. Maranta massangeana; 7. C. fasciata; 9. Stromant he sanguinea; 10. C. micans; 11. C. roseo-picta; 12. C. picturata “argentee”; 13. M. leuconeura kerchoveana. Four flowering plants also amenable to these surroundings: 5. Episcia reptans Lady Lou; 8. Saint-paulia Herkimer Girl; 14. Nymphaea daubenyana; 15. Setcreasea purpurca; 16. Ficus radicans variegata, for its foliage only. The “moss” is a selaginella. Planting and care are described in text.

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Marantas bring the world’s most flamboyant foliage from the jungle to your living room.

Among the most adaptable marantas, these will tolerate the widest range of growing conditions.

Best known maranta is the prayer plant, *M. kerchoveana*, which folds its broad, feathered leaves at night; available and amenable. Ctenanthe humilis and *Ct. compressa* (often sold as *bamburanta*) tolerate sun, are used on patios in California. Others suited to uses sketched, right below: Ctenanthe oppenheimiana and *Ct. o. tricolor*, *Ct. lubbersiana*; *Stromanthe sanguinea*, green leaves backed with red; *Calathea makoyana* (one of the most satisfactory). *C. vondeneckii*, *C. argyrea*, *C. louiseae*, *C. lietzei*, *C. ornata roseolineata*. Some marantas fold their leaves at night; most calatheas endure drier air, though the more humid the foliage can be kept the better. Artificial light is often adequate.

not hasten the loss of moisture from the roots. In dry atmospheres, or where pots tend to dry out rapidly, plastic or nonporous containers are preferred.

There are four principal genera of marantas, each with several species and varieties. Best known are some of those bearing the generic name, maranta, including *M. kerchoveana*, the familiar prayer plant whose brilliant but thin leaves lift and fold at night. The big news, however, is afforded by the calatheas, with heavier leaves, a greater range of shape, size and leaf color, and the advantage of both novelty and rarity. Less familiar—and less pronounceable—are the few stromanthes (the “e” is sounded) and ctenanthes (the “c” is silent).

Several of all four genera are shown in color on page 71, in the three planter groups opposite and on page 155 and, at least categorically, in the decorative but practical settings sketched below. The range of foliage color, leaf pattern and shape is enormous. It is doubtful if any cultivated plant group actually exceeds it in all round variety. Most are slow growing and remain fairly constant in form, seldom becoming leggy or scrawny. Their names are jaw-breakers, every one of them. But no one pronounces them correctly anyway, so you need have no embarrassment in using your own versions. The plants selected by Mr. Graf for *H&G*'s photographs give you a good idea of their form, shape, scale, and relative sizes, as well as their compatibility with more familiar house plants that need similar growing conditions. Individual differences between varieties are so numerous that all their characteristics would be impossible to list and describe. All conceivable hues and intensities of green are available, with reds, pinks, yellows, browns and whites for contrast and embellishment in truly bewildering array.

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A flood of remarkable products, pre-assembled and ready to install, is revolutionizing the ancient methods of building new houses and remodeling old ones. Until recent years, few fine prefabricated components existed. But now the precision of our modern assembly lines produces countless ready-made parts, sometimes of a quality impossible to equal or surpass on the building site. Architects themselves are specifying prefabrication wherever it helps to cut costs and simplify construction. For instance, they now incorporate such features as skylights and elaborate lighting fixtures in their most modest homes, simply because new prefabricating techniques have placed them within reach of most homeowners. Panned walls and storage units not long ago were prohibitively expensive; prefabrication now makes them commonplace. On these pages is shown a sampling of the ready-made parts available for an old house you wish to remodel or a new one you plan to build for your family.

Brass lighting fixture 4' long diffuses light above while casting direct rays on countertop. It can be plugged in or permanently installed.

Confetti paint, ready-mixed and multi-colored, is sprayed on a wall surface with vacuum cleaner attachment. Tiny colored particles produce a flecked or spatter-dash finish.

Prefabriacated cedar closet 4' wide and 8' high can be built in. With several units you can form a storage wall.

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Plywood panels in widths of 16" and 32" are scored to simulate tongue and groove boarding. Most amateurs can apply it, indoors or out.

Plastic skylight dome is available in many sizes and in clear or glareproof white plastic. Some open for ventilation; some include a fan.

Plastic-surfaced hardboard, in planks or panels, comes in marble patterns, wood grains or colors. It is easy to apply to walls.

Free standing steel fireplace with a conical hood, left, has a 36" opening. It can be placed on a steel base or a raised brick hearth. Fireplace installed against wall, above, has cantilever hearth, stainless steel trim.

For a list of manufacturers, see page 153

HOUSE & GARDEN, DECEMBER, 1957
**First weekend**

**Central heating zone:** To heat wintry air is to lower its relative humidity. Within this dogmatic capsule lies the life story of many a dead house plant. Forewarned gardeners will take every reasonable step to provide a practically moist atmosphere about their plants. One good way is to group several plants together on a tray of pebbles in water or moist vermiculite. Three-fold result: tray acts as semi-automatic reservoir of actual water for plant roots; evaporation from tray surface raises relative humidity of warmed air rising among plant leaves; proximity of all plants tends to improve atmosphere around each. To make tray, rim a piece of tempered hard-board with one-inch molding and line with waterproof neoprene paint. Such trays are invaluable where deep plant boxes cannot be accommodated. . . . As heat builds up, pests increase, especially scales and mealy bug. Regular but relaxed fussing with an artist's small brush dipped in rubbing alcohol is first, best resort.

**West coast:** Wind and water are the hallmarks of most Pacific Decembers, with overtones of snow in the hills, and freak frosts almost anywhere except the south coast. Suggestion: perform all outdoor tasks—division of perennials, dormant spraying of roses and fruits, planting of bare-root trees and shrubs—when the weather promises at least one clear day's favor.

**Third weekend**

**Gardener's Christmas:** Among personal gifts suitable for either gardeners or civilians, count pots of bulbs rooted and ready to be cherished and flowered in a winter window. For the knowing, pot a choice variety of narcissus; for the beginner, plan sure-fire hyacinths, or buy a florist's pot of lily-of-the-valley. From one good gardener to another: a handsome pink or white amaryllis bulb, potted waist deep in a spongy mixture of sand, loam and peat, with a dash of bonemeal. . . . Give a living tree, ready to be cherished and flowered in a winter window. For the Gardeners Month (Holt, $3.75). Its sound advice merits its title in both authority and devotion. . . . Or bring a ray of light into a city dweller's backyard with Ruth Marie Peters' *Your Garden in Town* (Holt, $3.75). Its sound advice shuns the cute, cleaves to practical good taste. . . . For a favored amateur of house plants who appears to "have everything," give surprise and delight with *Exotica* (Julius Roehrs Co., $17.50), Alfred Byrd Graf's definitive omnium-gatherum, just out.

**Fourth weekend**

**Post Christmas putting:** In that gray-brown vacuum that intervenes between Christmas and the new year, descend into the basement or to the utility level and put steel wool to the well-chilled December gardener, with a sprig of holly protruding from his heart, now sets up shop indoors and wishes all comers a Merry Christmas.
GIFT LIST IDEAS

Duxbury drop leaf table of unfinished rock maple is ready to assemble. $58.95, exp. coll. Hageman.

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Brass fire tender constructed to make light of lifting logs. Wrought iron tips. $19.75. Centre Brass Works.

Travel alarm clock in leather case indicates time zone differentials around world. $15.35. Semen.

Outboard motors include one that starts with key, $74.99; lightweight model, $134. Scott-Awater.

Jumbo bowling alley with pin-setting device incorporates gear for six other games. $12.95. Pressman.

French matchbox of tin has checkerboard design of blue, red or green with white. $1.25, Peeper Shop.

FOR HIM: Hedge, Lawn and Shrubbery Gift Kit. Contains pruning, grass and hedge shears plus helpful "How to Prune" booklet. No. GT-100, $9.95 at leading hardware and garden supply stores.

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**Champagne flutes** imported from France have hand-cut crystal stems. Set of 8, $31, ppd. Peacock.

**Rosewood grain measure** from India serves as brass-trimmed waste basket. 12" high. $97.50. Mayhew.

**Cowhide case** converts into seat. Telescoping legs fit in zippered compartment. $31.85. Mark Cross.

**Oversized pencil** is a "kangaroo" holder for 12 automatic crayons; head is sharpener. $2. Lord & Taylor.

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3. Mayan vase with watertight liner is typical of sculptured pottery in period 500-800 A.D. Copy is 12" high.

4. Persian bracelets of sterling silver have tiny animal heads. Originals are from mountains of Luristan, 1000 B.C.

5. Hippopotamus of gold-plated sterling silver is reproduction of a tiny Egyptian charm from XII dynasty, about 1900 B.C.

6. Chimpanzee, finished to resemble granite original by John B. Flannagan in Whitney Museum, is 10 1/4" in height.

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10. Bronze plaque by Elie Nadelman was the model for this study of a horse, finished to duplicate original piece. 12” x 9½”.

11. Peruvian llama, silver plated, is also available as pin. Original at American Museum of Natural History. 2”.

12. Chinese horse was reproduced from a pottery piece from the Tang dynasty. Original is now in the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

13. Turkish jug with sailing dhow motif is from a 17th century earthenware vessel in Metropolitan Museum of Art.

14. Sterling silver reproductions of Early American cups and spice caster are from antiques in The Metropolitan Museum of Art collection.
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Santa’s stocking. You can make the 18" felt stocking shown here in jig time. The kit includes pre-cut red stocking, white cuff, felt appliques, letters, beads, sequins, floss, yarn, a brass bell. And the diagram and instructions are easy to follow. $1 for one kit; $2.95 for three. Postpaid. Order from Geneva House, HG12, 670 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Your "spray net" usually comes in a rather plain container. Why don't you slip the can into this attractive pearl-like plastic holder? It is decorated with a butterfly made of fake pearls and glitter stones. It is made to hold either the standard four or six ounce can. $1.95 ppd. Susan White, Dept. HG12, 553 Milford Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

A rosy glow will flutter the room when you burn one of these attractive Santa Claus candles. Made of long-burning wax, the candle is holly red, the face is pertly cut, it has roomy sleeves, a liiiiiicd in England, this man's leather which has been oil-chamois sport shirt. Made of the Natural. Inxately:

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- DISCOUNT
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- BRUSH
- TURKEY
- ROBIN
- PINEAPPLE
- WIND-ROSE
- LILAC
- PINE
- MAGNOLIA
- ORANGE
- LILY
- ROSE
- TULIP
- POPPY
- DAISY
- POPCORN
- WATER MILL
- OAK
- MAPLE
- ASH
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- WALNUT
- HICKORY
- ALDER
- MAPLE
- RUBBER
- EBONY
- IVORY
- SEQUOIA
- PINE
- TEAK

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**Shopping**

**Calypso dolls** will please the collector and the youngsters. The ones shown here are molded of natural-color soft plastic. Each small figure (8" high) will retain a pose. The costumes are authentic; the maracas work! Do give one or more as a Christmas gift. $3 for one; $5.75 the pair. Postpaid. From Flagg Doll Company, H1128, Box 205, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

**Exquisite Bible**. You will want to own one of these yourself and give one to the about-to-be married couple. The cover is made of silver-plated metal and comes with either the Protestant or the Catholic version of the Holy Bible. It has a section in which to record important dates. 9" x 6", ecclesiastically approved. $19.95 p.p.d. Edith Chapman, H.C., Nyack, N.Y.

**Holly honey** is a taste treat. It is made from the honey of bees which are raised and tended on a holly farm. It is delectable when served on hot crisp toast, on perfectly baked waffles. We like it, too, on hot water-ground cornmeal with heavy cream. Packed in a plastic tube it is $1.50 p.p.d. the half pound. Brownell Farms, H1128, Box 5965, Milwaukee, Ore.

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Carl Forslund, HG12, 122 Fulton St., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

A gay note for a feminine desk could be the bright red quill ball-point pen shown here. It is an elaborate bijou decorated with twinking glass stones. Be sure to get one for the Christmas season to add a festive touch to the writing table. 12" long, it comes in an attractive gift box. $1.35 postpaid. The Shaw Co., 11146 South Michigan, Chicago.

Friendship cloth. This vat-dyed fine red linen tablecloth comes with a special pencil (green or white). Have each guest sign his name on the cloth. After the holidays you can embroider the names in white or green thread. It is an elaborate bijou decorated -point pen shown here.

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AROUND

Liquor labels make the gay decorations on the 12” papier-mâché tray shown here. It is the serving piece you and your guests will enjoy using. Background colors are red, yellow and black. $3.95 ppd. The matching glass coasters come in assorted colors. These fit neatly into a clear acetate cylinder. $1.95 for six. Neiman-Marcus, H.G., Dallas, Tex.

A musical tree could be the center of attention at your house on Christmas day. We show here a charming small tree (12” high) which looks like a real evergreen. It is decorated with colorful glass ornaments. Base is made of brass and is fitted with a Swiss music box. It plays a carol as tree revolves. $4.20 ppd. World Treasures, 657 Main, Passaic, N. J.

Roll out the table which holds your TV set, a hi-fi radio-phonograph or your tape recorder. The table shown here is made of tubular steel finished in black and fitted with brass bars. It will hold, too, a large collection of records. 32” high x 18” deep x 40” long. Legs are fitted with 3” casters. $14.95 exp. coll. Interior Trends, 56G Underhill, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Exceptional value: the velvet-covered ottoman shown here! Made of hardwood, coil springs and steel webbing, it is firmly upholstered and covered in stained glass-color velvet: red, rose, topaz brown, sage, leaf or emerald green and gold. 20” x 25” x 17”. $18.50 for one: $35 pr. Express collect. Order from Hunt, HG12, Box 492, Hickory, N. C.

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For seafood you need the individual serving dishes shown here. Made of crystal clear glass each dish is fitted with a center cup to hold sauce. Your shrimp, crab and lobster cocktails will taste delicious when served on a bed of ice in these. Stack up on a set for the holidays. $2.20 for 4; $4.00 for 8. Ppd. From What's New, HG12, Wynnewood, Penn.

A classic cross handmade of sterling silver is not too easy to find. We show here four traditional crosses which are exquisitely made: (left) the Florentine: $7.00; (top) the English: $5.00; (bottom) the Cellini: $7.00; (right) the French: $5.00. The set of four is $15 ppd. Tax incl. Jamaika Silversmiths, HG12, 79-32 164th Street, Jamaica, N. Y.

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BUFFET SERVER. A host and hostess will welcome the handsome hardwood board shown here. Pear-shape in design, it has a beautiful grain, a natural-polish finish. 11" x 7"; it can be used as a cutting board, too. Handle is fitted with a leather thong and a magnet which holds serrated knife. $4.95 ppd. Barnett, 237 Inwood Village, Dallas, Texas.

AN EXCELLENT GIFT for the house is a set of fireplace tools. We show here the "Fire Tender" which is a precision-made pair of tongs to lift large or small logs, embers and handle of fine draft. Made of black finished iron fitted with brass handles, it comes with matching shovel, brush and bracket. 27" high. $14.95 ppd. Fireplace Necessities, Box 372, N.Y., N.Y.

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The Navajo boot will please the man in your life. It is made in rust-color suede or in natural smooth leather. The sole is made of molded latigo rawhide which will give long wear. Note the button closing, the leather thong at back. Sizes: regular shoe size from 6 to 12. $10.95 postpaid. Order from Western Brands, Department HG12, Estes Park, Col.

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The home dressmaker

The home dressmaker would like to find this “Dress Hemmer” in her Christmas stocking. It will give precise service for many years. It comes completely assembled. Note the steel tape measure, the plastic chalk holder, the rubber tube and bulb. The hemmer is fitted with a suction cup, $1.59 ppd. Wilco, 35 So. Park, Rockville Centre, N. Y.

Pipe smokers

Pipe smokers will be grateful for the Sheffield steel knife shown here. It combines four tools: a rounded blade, a pointed blade, a pick reamer and a tamp- er. The knife case is finished in nickel plate. Included in the cost is a three-letter monogram and a leather case. $3.50 postpaid from David P. Ehrlich Co., HG12, 207 Washington St., Boston, Mass.

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This mahogany bucket holds a quantity of ice could be the perfect gift for an important man. Shown here is one made of solid mahogany which is outstanding for design and quality. Hand-wrought copper initials, sporting designs of pheasants or mallards, a Yacht Club flag can be used as ornamentation. $50 ppd. H. W. Long-fellow, HG12, 95 Mass.
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A wardrobe needs a wardrobe of clothes hangers. Shown here are three kinds which are essential to a well groomed closet.

Made of unbreakable white plastic fitted with plated metal parts they range from top to bottom: 17" dress hanger ($1); 14" skirt hanger ($1 for two); 14" skirt hanger ($1 for three). Ppd. National Hanger, 115 W. 18th St., N. Y.

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who possessed the leisure wealth imparted. What could be more natural in a new upper class than to indulge in a slavish imitation of an established gentry? Tobacco and rice lined the banks of the James and Potomac, the Cooper and the Ashley, with costly great houses. Wealth wrung from commerce and privateering, or from war contracts, erected not only the sightly town houses of Charleston, Philadelphia, New York, Newport, and Boston, but likewise enabled many of its possessors to build an out-of-town residence and “live downright in the country way” as Isaac Norris put it. Master-builders, not infrequently assisted by the gentlemen themselves (one thinks immediately of George Washington at Mount Vernon), worked out, from such imported English manuals as those by Gibbs, Ware, Swan, and Betty Langley, the designs for these mansions and their gardens. The style of building known today as Georgian (1700-1780) came to the colonies in books. Though it was to exhibit provincial variations largely based on available materials and the refusal of many recently risen bourgeois-aristocrats to sacrifice comfort for symmetry, it nevertheless remained essentially imitative—colonial in the truest sense. Innovation could not be expected before 1776, since architecture had not yet become a profession.

Imitative advances

The interiors of colonial mansions also reflected bookish and imitative qualities. They were decorated and furnished, as the newspapers said, with “European Goods Fit for the Season.” The dark and heavy wainscoting of the early 1700s gave way to the dado after 1730 when wallpapers were imported. Numerous English paper-mâché-and-stucco workers began to arrive two decades later to lend their skills in the lightening of Georgian rooms. Improvements in heating by means of better fireplace construction and Delft stoves made larger windows practicable and, before long, Venetian blinds became very popular. Importation of window hangings, tapestries, rugs, and upholstery fabrics increased throughout the country.

Equal to the best

Arresting evidence of the dynamic nature of the 18th century is seen in the rapid changes in furniture fashions. It opened with the universal use of medieval styles inherited from the first settlers, but the mode soon shifted to the Restoration, then to Queen Anne, and by mid-century provincial taste had made up for lost time and come full abreast of that of the Mother Country, where Chippendale’s "chinoiserie" was in vogue. Pennsylvania woodcarvers and cabinetmakers by this time had produced a “Philadelphia Chippendale” style equal to the best that English craftsmen could show either in design or execution. And at Newport on Rhode Island the Townsend and Godey-dals displayed not merely an exquisite artistry but also the first native American contribution to their craft in the celebrated “block-front” chests.

Substitute for banks

The absence of banks and places for safe-keeping induced gentlemen to turn their money into plate. Thereby encouraged, silversmiths prospered in every city. James Richardson and other Philadelphia Quakers turned out ware of a simple beauty suitable to the Society of Friends that contrasted markedly with the rococo designs currently popular. One Newport Friend soberly brought to Dean George Berkeley that even Queen Charlotte did not own such a treasure as his solid gold teapot. At any rate, pewter rapidly disappeared from the sideboards of the gentry. All this colonial elegance and display, however, was the privilege of the aristocratic few—a very few in each colony. “You may depend upon it,” said Chief Justice William Allen of Pennsylvania, “that this is one of the best poor Man’s Countrys in the World.” Such was the genius of America, this universal well-being, not its aristocratic quality. Most Americans lived a plain existence in severe, unadorned surroundings. Their diet was spare, their dress simple, and nought about them suggested abundance, let alone luxury. The 90 per cent of the colonial population who were farmers and the “middling and inferior sort” who lived in the cities considered themselves fortunate if they owned a mirror and a piece of carpet in addition to their barest essentials in tables and chairs. The Townsends of Newport and cabinetmakers of Philadelphia and Boston made 50 or more pieces of cheap furniture to one of their handsome block-fronts or a Chippendale chest-on-chest, but little of this has survived for our museums. The Frenchman

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Christmas foods are as vital a part of the tradition and trappings of Christmas as the glittering tree, the hospitable yule log and the saucy sprig of mistletoe. The origin of such a rich and rare delicacy as plum pudding may be remote, its ingredients refined to suit the less prodigious appetites of later generations. (The first "plum porridge" was boiled beef or mutton spiced with raisins, prunes, currants, cloves, mace and ginger; it did not evolve into the more familiar plum pudding until 1675.) Yet each year the pudding comes into its own; ushered in with its wreath of blue flame, it remains the pièce de résistance of the Christmas board century after enduring century. In every country that observes Christmas, baking has become part of a time-honored ritual, calling forth the cook's most practiced art. The Scandinavian custom of keeping open house throughout an extended holiday season requires an orgy of baking to stock the larder with cookies, cakes, breads and special meat and fish dishes. Christmas sees the revival of dishes hallowed by tradition, each with its own special significance. The bûche de Noël is an edible, small-scale cake imitation of the Nordic yule log; the spices in the French gingerbread called pain d'épice commemorate those found by the Crusaders in the Holy Land; the bean in the Twelfth Night galette des rois and the almond in the Scandinavian rice porridge, which are supposed to bring good luck to the finder, are echoes of a custom derived from the Roman Saturnalia, festival of the winter solstice. The coffee-and-bun refreshment delivered to Swedish households at dawn by the family "Lucia" or Queen of Light, a young girl wearing a crown of candles, honors St. Lucia, whose day, December 13, starts the Swedish holiday season. Even in less prosperous countries and times than ours Christmas has meant a time of feasting and joy for everyone. The Tudor yeoman enjoyed his pig and brawn and "mustard withal," goose and capon, cheese and apples with "goode cheer and plaie." In 1715 an especially bitter winter was warmed by the roasting of whole oxen on the frozen Thames for the people of London. One of the most stupefying holiday feasts on record is that of King John, unwilling signer of Magna Carta. Although his exchequer was empty, he celebrated with 20 hogsheads of wine, 200 head of pork, 1,000 hens, 15,000 herrings and other fish—but could afford no more than a scant two dozen napkins for his guests. The New World's contribution to Christmas is, above all, the turkey. This homely but tasty bird supplanted the noble peacock and the magnificent (if unaesthetic) boar's head, which was borne to England's royal table on a gold platter, circled with a chaplet of rosemary, heralded by trumpets and followed by a procession of noblemen and their ladies. Christmas today can offer no sight such as this but we too, in company with our ancestors, can enjoy the mince pie, once lauded as "King of Cates," and agree with Herrick, "Now the mirth comes with the cake full of plums." On the following pages we give you recipes in the great tradition of Christmas, including recipes for the roast goose, stuffed pike, bûche de Noël and Christmas cake shown on the cover.
Soups

Cream of Pea Soup (Potage St. Germain)

- 1 pound dried peas
- 6 cups water
- 2 onions
- 2 cloves
- 1 large carrot
- ½ cup butter
- 1 ham bone
- 3 or 4 leek greens, cut in pieces
- Salt, freshly cracked pepper

Sugar
- ½ cup fresh cooked or canned peas
- 4 ounces boiled ham, cut in fine shreds
- ½ cup boiled milk
- 1 cup small fried croutons for garnish

Soak the dried peas overnight in plenty of water. Drain. Wash thoroughly. Put in a pan with just enough of the 6 cups water to cover. Bring to a boil, skim, add the onions studded with the cloves, the carrot, thinly sliced and sautéed in 2 teaspoons butter, and the ham bone. Add the leek greens and allow to cook very slowly for 1½ hours. Rub through a very fine strainer and dilute with a little of the water (the soup should be rather on the thick side). Season with salt and pepper and add a little sugar to remove the bitter taste of the onion. Beat in, bit by bit, the remaining butter. Add the ½ cup peas, the ham and the boiled milk. Serve garnished with the croutons. Serves 4.

Main Dishes

Christmas Dinner Menu

POTAGE ST. GERMAIN
Roast Turkey with Bread Sauce, Roast Potatoes, Gravy
Small Yorkshire Puddings
Tossed Green Salad
Christmas Fruit Cake

Roast Christmas Turkey

1 small squab turkey, weighing no more than 8 pounds
Salt and black pepper
Melted butter
½ pound ground raw veal
3 slices trimmed white veal, soaked in milk
2 egg whites, unbeaten
1 cup light cream

Quick Gourmet Recipe of the Month

Chicken Breasts in Wine

Take 4 small chicken breasts (fresh or frozen); season with salt and pepper and brush with a little brandy. Cut a slit, like a pocket, in each and insert a slice of boiled ham. Brown on top of the range in hot butter, until cooked through. Flame with two tablespoons warmed brandy. Remove breasts from pan and stir in 2 teaspoons potato flour, 1 teaspoon Bovril or BV, 1 teaspoon tomato paste. Pour on 1 cup chicken stock (fresh or canned), ¼ cup dry white wine and 2-3 tablespoons dry sherry. Stir over fire until mixture comes to a boil. Arrange chicken breasts (do not overlap) on a hot serving dish, put a slice of Swiss Gruyère cheese on each, pour sauce over and brown quickly under the broiler. Serves 4.
under the broiler. Arrange around the turkey as garnish. Serve with Bread Sauce (see recipe under Sauces), roast potatoes and small Yorkshire puddings.

**Small Yorkshire Puddings**

Sift 1 cup flour and 1 teaspoon salt into a bowl. Stir in, with a whisk, 1 cup milk and 2 beaten eggs. Beat with a mixer for 10 minutes. Allow to get very cold in the refrigerator. Heat 12 popovers pans, custard cups or iron pans until very hot. Heat 1 tablespoon beef fat or vegetable shortening and put a little in the bottom of each pan or cup. Half-fill with the batter. Bake in a 425° oven for 25-30 minutes. Remove, turn out and serve.

**NEW YEAR’S DINNER MENU**

**Bisque d’Homard**

**Roast Stuffed Goose**

**Wine Jelly**

**Bûche de Noël**

**Roast Goose**

(See cover)

7-pound goose
Salt, black pepper
4 cups finely chopped, sautéed onion
21/2 pounds sausage meat
1 cup applesauce
The goose liver, finely chopped
1 teaspoon ground sage
1/4 cup brandy

Wash the goose well. Dry thoroughly. Season inside with salt and pepper. Mix the remaining ingredients, season with salt and pepper, stuff the goose with the mixture and tie it up securely. Place on a roasting rack and brush the top with a little melted butter, salt and pepper. Roast in a 375° oven, allowing 15-20 minutes per pound. Baste frequently, adding 1 tablespoon water to the pan each time.

To serve, put the goose on a platter and surround with cream-puff baskets filled with vegetables. To make baskets, pipe cream-puff dough through the narrow, plain tube of a pastry bag, pinwheel fashion, into shallow, round tart pans. Bake until a delicate golden brown. Fill baskets with any appropriate accompaniments: peas, glazed turnip balls, cranberry sauce topped with prunes. Serve with gravy, wine jelly.

**Wine Jelly**

**Rind and juice of 1 orange, 1 lemon, 1 lime**
1 cup port wine
1/2 cup dry sherry
1/4 cup brandy
1/4 cup black raspberry jelly
1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cup white wine

Put all ingredients except the egg whites in a saucepan and stir over a slow fire until the mixture comes just to a boil. Cool the mixture but do not chill. To clear, add the beaten egg whites and beat over a slow fire until the liquid comes to a rolling boil. Draw aside and allow to cool for 15 minutes. Strain through a damp cloth. Rinse a fancy jelly mold with cold water. Cool the jelly a little and pour into the mold. Chill. Turn out and garnish around the edge with fresh fruits and green leaves.

**Christmas Ham**

12-pound ham
2 quarts beer
18 peppercorns, bruised
4 cloves, bruised
1/2 cup red burgundy
1/2 cup brandy, flamed
3 tablespoons honey
6 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon powdered juniper berries
4 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1/2 teaspoon powdered sage
1 teaspoon dry mustard
2 teaspoons salt
1 cup firm lard
11/2 cups iced milk
1 beaten egg

If the ham is the Virginia or smoked type, scrub it well and soak in cold water for 36 hours, changing the water every 6-8 hours. Drain, put in a deep pot and cover with boiling beer. Add peppercorns and cloves. Bring to a boil again, reduce heat and simmer gently 11/2 hours, replenishing beer if necessary to keep ham covered. Drain and dry thoroughly with paper towels. Carefully remove rind and all but about a 1/4" coating of fat. Place in a deep roasting pan and pour over the burgundy and flaming brandy. Roast in a 350° oven for 2-1/2-3 hours, basting frequently.

Lay the ham on a wooden board and carefully carve in thin slices. Replace slices and reshape ham. Mix 3 tablespoons of wine from the roasting pan with the honey and brush all over the ham. Set in the refrigerator for 10 minutes to firm so it holds together.

Meanwhile make dough for the crust. Sift the flour with the other dry ingredients. Rub in the lard until the mixture resembles coarse corn meal. Add the milk. Turn the dough out onto a pastry board and knead for a minute or two until it is quite smooth on top. Roll out to 1/4" thickness and cover the chilled ham completely with it, folding it over and encasing the ham. Trim off edges and make leaves, flowers, geometric shapes or any decorative designs with the discarded dough to embellish the top of the crust. Brush crust with beaten egg. Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 350° and bake, brushing the crust twice with cold milk, for 15 minutes. Serve hot or cold with applesauce, chilled cranberry sauce, horse-radish sauce or black raspberry jelly.

**Roast Duck with Figs**

(Canard aux Figues)

2 Long Island ducklings, each 31/2 pounds
Salt, freshly cracked pepper
2 small peeled oranges
2 small peeled onions
1 peeled garlic clove
1 stick butter
1/2 cups strong chicken stock
1 cup mixed sliced onions, carrots, celery, leek
4 level tablespoons flour
2 teaspoons tomato paste
2 teaspoons meat glaze
1/2 cups mushroom peelings and stalks
1/2 cups red currant jelly
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1/2 cups white sauterne
1/2 cup brandy
1 truffle, finely chopped
2 cups each diced carrots, turnips, green beans
6 slices bread, diced and fried
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Wash the ducks well inside and out and dry thoroughly. Season inside with salt and pepper. Stuff each with 1 orange, 1 onion and ½ clove garlic. Tie up carefully and rub salt and pepper all over the outside. Place on roasting racks and brush with melted butter. Pour a little stock in the pan and roast at 375° for 20 minutes. Remove, baste well, add a little water to the pan and brush ducks with a little more melted butter. Reduce heat to 350° and continue roasting for a further ¼ hour. Remove and cool.

Dissolve ½ stick butter in a small, heavy pan. Add sliced vegetables and cook very slowly, without browning, for 3-4 minutes. Add flour and cook slowly until dark nut-brown. Stir in, off the fire, the tomato paste, meat glaze, mushroom peelings and tomato. Pour on remaining stock and current jelly and stir over the fire until it comes to a boil. Strain the liquid from the soaked figs and add to the sauce. Stir over fire until it comes to a boil and cook until reduced to the consistency of heavy cream. Remove legs from ducks and cut them in half. Place in bottom of a large, heavy casserole. Cut figs in four and place on top of legs. Cut off breasts of duck in one piece and slice thinly, lengthwise. Arrange slices overlapping on top of figs. Heat and flame the brandy and pour over the duck. Cover casserole with wax paper and the lid and put in 350° oven for 25 minutes. Prepare garnishes. Just before serving, pour Hollandaise Sauce (see recipe under Sauces) over fish and brown for a minute or two under the broiler. Serves 4 as main course.

Garnish: Pile halved tomatoes with any remaining salmon mousse and set around fish on serving platter. Split shrimp lengthwise and insert halves (tail end) into incisions on top of fish. Place a slice of truffle in split shrimp. Arrange langoustines on the side of the fish (see photograph on cover). Decorate with mushrooms.

Lobster Soufflé
Plaza-Athenee

3 medium size boiled lobsters
Brandy
3 tablespoons sweet butter
1 large carrot, cut in small dice
1 medium size onion, diced
3 tablespoons finely chopped chives
1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley
1 ½ cup vegetable oil
2 tablespoons cognac
1 cup heavy cream
1 ¼ cup dry white wine
3 tablespoons dry sherry
Sauce
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 ¼ teaspoon salt
Pinch of cayenne pepper
3 ½ cup milk
1 ½ teaspoon French mustard
1 ¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 ¼ cup grated Gruyère cheese
5 beaten egg yolks
7 stiffly beaten egg whites

Remove tails from lobsters and cut each tail into 3 pieces. Remove meat from claws. Put in a bowl, sprinkle with brandy. Season. Heat sweet butter in pan and add diced vegetables and chives. Season and cook slowly for 2 minutes, but do not brown. Add parsley. Set aside. Heat ½ cup vegetable oil in a pan, put in lobsters, cover and cook for 2 minutes. Add the mirepoix of carrot, onion and chives and on top of this put the lobsters. Add the cognac, heavy cream, white wine and sherry. Simmer gently for 12 min-

Vegetables in a pan and cover with water. Meanwhile, put diced

Quail with Chestnuts
(Caille aux Marrons)

4 quail
1 stick butter
1 ¼ cup brandy
1 teaspoon tomato paste
1 teaspoon meat glaze
1 teaspoon potato flour
1 ¼ cups chicken stock
1 tablespoon black raspberry jelly
8 artichoke bottoms, cooked
Salt, black pepper
2 cups unsweetened chestnut purée
6 rounds of bread
Tie up the quail and brown them slowly all over in melted butter. Flame with brandy.

Cover the pan and braise in a 375° oven for 20 minutes. Remove, set quail aside and stir into the pan the tomato paste, meat glaze and potato flour. Pour on the stock, add the jelly and stir over the fire until mixture comes to a boil. If too thick, add a little more stock. Strain over the quail and keep warm.

Heat artichoke bottoms in a little butter with salt and pepper and set aside. Melt 1 or 2 tablespoons butter in a pan, add the chestnut purée, salt and pepper and heat over the fire until hot. Fry the rounds of bread in a little butter until golden brown on each side.

To serve, arrange the bread rounds on a long serving dish. Fill artichoke bottoms with chestnut purée, forcing it through large round tube on a pastry bag. Put a quail on top of each alternate artichoke. Pour sauce on and serve. Serves 4.

CHRISTMAS EVE SUPPER MENU
SMORGASBORD
WHOLE STUFFED PIKE
PINEAPPLE FROMAGE

Whole Stuffed Pike
(See cover)

1 pike, about 2 ½ pounds
Brandy
1 ¼ pounds salmon, cut from tail or 1 pound center cut salmon
2 egg whites
1 ½ cups light cream
2 teaspoons salt
A little cayenne pepper
2 ounces butter
Hollandaise Sauce
For garnish: Skinned, halved tomatoes; cooked shrimp; 2 or 3 truffles; flamed mushrooms; langoustines (these come in jars).

Remove scales from fish with a scaler, working from the tail toward the head, and remove the fins. Cut fish down the back (not the belly), bone it and remove the inedible parts. Wash in cold water. Dry on paper towels. Spread it out on a board and brush inside with brandy.

Skin and bone the salmon and put through a fine meat chopper. Put in an electric mixer with the egg whites, beat well and slowly add the cream and salt. Beat until very thick, then add the pepper. Stuff pike with this salmon mousse, reshape fish and arrange on a greased baking dish. Make a few scores on top with a knife. Melt the butter, add 2 tablespoons brandy and pour over the fish. Bake in a 375° oven for 25 minutes. Prepare garnishes. Just before serving, pour Hollandaise Sauce (see recipe under Sauces) over fish and brown for a minute or two under the broiler. Serves 4.
Breads

Swedish Coffee Bread

2 packets active dry yeast
2 1/2 cups warm milk
1 cup melted butter
1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
20 crushed cardamom seeds
8 cups flour
1/2 cup blanched, chopped, browned almonds
Coarse sugar granules

Dissolve the yeast in 1/2 cup warm milk. Mix the butter with the remaining milk, sugar, salt, cardamom seeds and a small amount of the flour. Beat until quite smooth, add the yeast and, gradually, the rest of the flour, beating with a wooden spoon until smooth and firm. Sprinkle the dough with a little flour and cover it with a clean cloth. Allow to rise in a warm place until double its bulk (about 2 hours). Then turn out onto a lightly floured board and knead until smooth. To shape the bread, divide dough into 2 or 3 parts. Cut each part into 3 pieces of equal size; roll into long ropes with the hands and braid. Place on a buttered baking sheet, cover and allow to rise. Brush with beaten egg. Sprinkle the top with chopped almonds and the coarse sugar granules. Bake in a 375° oven for 35 minutes.

Coulibiac

Brioche dough
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
1/2 pint sour cream
1 pound fresh raw salmon, thinly sliced
3/4 pound cooked shrimp
Fresh chopped dill

To make brioche dough, put 1 1/2 cups flour in a bowl and add 3 large beaten eggs, 2 teaspoons sugar and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Work to a dough and beat on a board until light. Mix in 5 ounces creamed butter and 1 package yeast that has been dissolved in 1/4 cup warm water. Mix in 1/2 cup more flour and let stand until dough rises. Place in a lightly greased and floured bowl, cover with a cloth, and allow to rise until double its bulk at room temperature. Chill over night in the refrigerator (or for 1 hour in the deep-freeze). Remove, roll out to 1/4" thickness on a floured board, brush with melted butter and sprinkle with a few browned bread crumbs.

Put a layer of finely chopped egg on top of the dough and dot with sour cream. On top of this put thin slices of salmon, thin slices of shrimp and sprinkle with dill. Dot with more sour cream and roll up like a jelly roll. Put in a well greased bread tin, cover with a cloth and put to rise in a warm place for 1/2 hour. Brush with beaten egg yolk and bake in a 425° oven for 30 minutes. Remove, turn out and serve. Serves 6.

Hot Herb Bread

3 ounces sweet butter
2 teaspoons finely chopped onion
1 tablespoon chopped fresh tarragon
1 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme
2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
3/4 teaspoon each, powdered sage and powdered rosemary
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
1/2 teaspoon French mustard
1 small square loaf rye bread, sliced

Beat the butter until very light and fluffy. Add onion, herbs, seasonings and mustard. Spread mixture evenly between the slices of bread. Reshape loaf, wrap in aluminum foil and bake in 350° oven for 10-12 minutes. Serve hot.

Saffron Bread

2 cakes compressed yeast
3 1/2 cups warm milk
1 teaspoon saffron
1 tablespoon brown sugar
11/2 cups granulated sugar
3/4 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 cup melted butter
8 cups flour
1/2 cup ground almonds
1 cup white seedless raisins
1/2 cup chopped citron peel
1/2 cup chopped orange peel
Grated rind of 1 lemon

Dissolve the yeast in 1/2 cup warm milk. Put the saffron and brandy in a mortar and pound with a pestle until smooth. Mix the remaining milk with the saffron, sugar, salt, eggs, half the butter and a small amount of the flour. Add the dissolved yeast and, gradually, the rest of the flour. Beat with a wooden spoon until smooth and firm. Sprinkle with a little flour and cover with a clean cloth. Allow to rise in a warm place until double its bulk (about 2 hours). Turn out dough onto a floured board and knead until smooth. Cover with a cloth and leave for 1/2 hour. Then roll out into a long sheet, brush with the remaining butter, sprinkle the top evenly with the almonds, raisins, citron and orange peels and grated lemon rind, pressing them down well with the back of a wooden spoon and sprinkle well with granulated sugar. Roll up like a jelly roll, very tightly. Chill well for 1 hour, then cut into 1/4" slices. Place on well buttered baking sheets and allow to rise in a warm place for 1/2 to 3/4 hour. Brush with a mixture of milk and sugar and bake in a 375° oven for 15-20 minutes, or until lightly browned.
Vegetables

Mushrooms en Croute

1 large loaf unsliced white bread
Fat for deep frying
1 cup finely chopped mixed herbs
2 pounds firm white mushrooms
Lemon juice
3/4 pound sweet butter
Salt and freshly cracked pepper
1/4 cup finely chopped shallots

Carefully remove the crusts from the loaf and scoop out the inside, leaving a 3/4" rim all around. Fry in 350° fat until golden brown all over. Remove and drain well on paper towels. Sprinkle all over with the chopped fresh herbs.

Wash the mushrooms well in lemon juice and water, and cut a thin slice off the bottom of each stalk. Reserve 4 mushrooms for garnish and cut the rest in half. Melt 3 ounces butter in a pan, season with salt and pepper, add lemon juice and the mushrooms. Sauté briskly for 2-3 minutes, then add the rest of the butter, bit by bit, shaking the pan vigorously all the time. Correct seasoning, add the chopped shallots and stuff the bread crust with this filling. Garnish with the whole mushrooms, peeled with a sharp knife so that the tops are fluted. Serves 6.

Tossed Green Salad

2 small Boston lettuce
1 escarole
1 endive
4 young spinach leaves

Dressing
1 cup croutons (bread cubes fried in butter with garlic)
3/4 cup shredded fried bacon
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1/4 cup chervil leaves

Wash the greens thoroughly in well salted water, then in ice water. Dry well in paper towels, place in a large plastic bag and bury in a bowl of crushed ice (this should be done several hours ahead of time). Make the dressing:

In a screw-top pint jar, put
1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper, 3 table­spoons tarragon vinegar, 1/4 teaspoon sugar, 1/4 teaspoon French mustard, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, 1/2 cup vegetable oil, 2 tablespoons olive oil and 1 raw egg. Shake thoroughly.

Fry the croutons and bacon just before serving (they should be hot when added). Place the salad greens in a wooden or porcelain bowl, sprinkle with the parsley and chervil, pour over the well mixed dressing and scatter the hot croutons and bacon over the top. Toss well and serve. Serves 6.

Onions Amandine

1/2 cup sweet butter
1/2 cup blanched, shredded almonds
2 finely chopped garlic cloves
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
4 dozen small white onions

Melt the butter in a heavy casserole; stir in the almonds and sugar. Add garlic, seasonings and wine. Put in the onions and stir until they are well coated. Cover pan and bake in a 350° oven for 1 hour, shaking every 15 minutes. Serve in the casserole. Serves 6-8.

Spinach with Pine Kernel Nuts

(Epinard à l’Italienne)

2 pounds spinach
4 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons olive oil
3 finely chopped garlic cloves
Salt, cayenne pepper
4 tablespoons stoned raisins
4 tablespoons pine kernel nuts
Parmesan cheese, coarsely grated

Wash the spinach well, drain and cut in coarse shreds. Put in boiling water, remove and drain. Heat 2 tablespoons butter and the oil in a pan; add the garlic and season with salt and cayenne pepper. Cook over a moderate fire for 2-3 minutes. Add raisins and pine nuts and cook for 2 minutes. Mix into spinach until all is well blended. Arrange on a hot, flat serving dish. Scatter Parmesan cheese over the top, melt the remaining butter, pour over and brown quickly under the broiler. Serves 4.

Sauces

Bread Sauce

2 cups milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
2 ounces butter
1 small white onion studded with 2 cloves
1 bay leaf
1/2 loaf white bread, trimmed of crust

Put the milk, salt, pepper, butter, onion and bay leaf into a pan and stir over a slow fire until it comes to a boil. Break up the bread and stir it into the hot milk. When the bread is quite soft, beat well with a wooden spoon until smooth. Just before serving, add a lump of butter. Makes 2 cups. Serve with roast chicken, turkey, pheasant.

Plum Pudding Sauce

1/2 pound sugar
1 tablespoon brown sugar
1 egg
1 glass sherry

Beat all ingredients well together. Place in a pan and bring to a boil. Serve immediately. Makes 1 cup.

Hard Sauce for Plum Pudding

1 cup butter
1 cup confectioners’ sugar
3/4 cup brandy

Beat the butter well. Add the sugar gradually, then the brandy. Chill well. Makes 2 1/2 cups.

Hollandaise Sauce

2 egg yolks
1 tablespoon tarragon vinegar
1/2 teaspoon salt
Pinch cayenne pepper
2 tablespoons light cream
1 stick sweet butter
2 tablespoons heavy cream
2 drops lemon juice

Put egg yolks, vinegar, salt and pepper in a small bowl and beat well. Mix in the light cream and stand the bowl in a pan of hot water over a slow fire. Beat with a small wire whisk until the mixture begins to thicken, then add the butter, bit by bit. Lastly, stir in the heavy cream and the lemon juice. This sauce may be made ahead of time and kept for several hours over cool water in a bowl covered with foil. Makes 3/4 cup.

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### Plum Pudding

1 pound finely chopped citron peel  
3/4 pound each glazed cherries, lemon peel, orange peel, all finely chopped  
3/4 pound blanched shredded almonds  
1 pound currants, seedless raisins, seeded raisins, sultanas  
1 pint brandy  
2 cups cake flour  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
3/4 teaspoon each ginger, nutmeg, mace, cloves  
1 pound ground beef suet  
3/4 cup bread crumbs, fried in butter until golden, then dried  
1 pound dark brown sugar  
1 pound light brown sugar  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
5 large well beaten eggs  
Grated rind and juice of 2 lemons  
1/2 cup black raspberry jelly  
Cooled melted butter  

Put the first nine ingredients (fruit and nuts) in a large bowl, add the brandy and let soak for 24 hours, stirring occasionally. Sift the flour with the spices. Mix together the spiced flour, the suet, bread crumbs, sugars and salt. Add to the fruit mixture and combine with the eggs, lemon rind and juice and jelly. Butter 4 English plum pudding bowls or 8" molds. Fill them almost to the top with the pudding mixture and over each pour a little cool melted butter. Cover with well buttered paper and with a cloth, dampened, wrung out and dusted with flour. Tie around the edge of the bowl with string. Take opposite ends of the cloth and tie them in a knot on top. (This forms a handle for lowering or raising pudding in pan.) Put in pan with boiling water and cook gently for 8 hours, being sure water does not submerge bowls but remains about 1" below top. Add more water, if it falls below this level.

Remove from water and store puddings in bowls (allow 3-4 weeks for pudding to mature). Steam again for 3 hours just before serving. Serve with flan and plum pudding sauce (see recipes under Sauces). Each pudding will serve 8.

### Pineapple Fromage

1 ripe pineapple  
2 whole eggs, separated  
2 egg yolks  
1/2 cup sugar  
Juice of 1 lime  
1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin soaked in 2 tablespoons water  
1 1/2 cups heavy cream, whipped  
Lingonberries or sweet cranberries  

Remove rind of the pineapple and mash half the fruit to a pulp. Dice 1 cupful of the remaining half and slice the rest.

Beat the 4 egg yolks and sugar with an electric beater until thick and fluffy. Add the lime juice and the pineapple pulp. Stir the gelatin and water in a bowl over hot water until dissolved. Add to the egg-pineapple mixture and stir over ice until thick. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites and the whipped cream. Add the 1 cup diced pineapple. Rinse a large, deep bombe mold with cold water and pour in the mixture. Chill in refrigerator for at least 2 hours. Take the mold out of the refrigerator and add the remaining fruit mixture. Chill until cold. Put a thick piece of chocolate on a heavy board and, using a sharp, heavy knife, cut downward as thinly as possible.

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Beat the eggs and sugar in a mixer until thick and foamy. Sift together the flour, baking powder, cocoa and salt and carefully fold into the egg mixture. Grease a large jelly roll pan and line it with waxed paper. Spread the mixture evenly on top of the greased paper and bake for 7 minutes in a 375° oven or until just firm (slide the pan horizontally onto a high oven shelf so it will bake evenly). Remove, cover with a damp cloth, cool and carefully loosen from the tin. Carefully remove the waxed paper but leave the cloth underneath to help with the rolling. Sprinkle the top with a little granulated sugar and turn out onto waxed paper. Carefully spread the top with the soft apricot jam and roll up sidewise into a long, narrow roll.

To make frosting: Beat 3 egg yolks until light and fluffy. Cook 1 1/2 cups sugar with 1/2 cup water until it forms a light thread. Pour onto egg yolks, beating constantly. Continue beating until thick and cold. Add 2 sticks sweet butter, creamed, and 2 tablespoons dark rum. Reserve 4 tablespoons of this mixture to be flavored with coffee. Dissolve 2 teaspoons instant coffee in 1 tablespoon hot water and add to the reserved mixture. Melt 6 ounces dark, sweet chocolate with 2 tablespoons water in a bowl over hot water, stir until dissolved and add to the remaining frosting mixture.

To decorate: Cut a diagonal slice from each end of the roll and place them at random on the top to represent the stumps of cut-off branches. Frost the roll with the chocolate-flavored frosting and frost the "cut" ends of the branches with the coffee-flavored frosting, to represent the inner wood. Draw a fork jaggedly through the frosting several times, from end to end, to give the roughened effect of bark. If desired, the log may be further decorated with leaves shaped from green-tinted almond paste and curls of dark, sweet chocolate. (Put a thick piece of chocolate on a heavy board and, using a sharp, heavy knife, cut downward as thinly as possible.)

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Dredge with ½ pound of the measured flour. Mix into the batter and slowly add the rest of the flour. Beat well. Add sherry, baking powder, salt and, if necessary, a little milk—the mixture should just drop from the spoon when finished. Well grease a 12" spring-form cake pan. Line bottom and sides with waxed paper and grease again. Fill with cake batter (it should come almost to the top of the pan). Bake in a 350° oven for 1½ hours. Test cake with a straw or ice-pick; if it comes out clean, the cake is done. Remove, allow to cool for ½ hour, then turn out and finish cooling at room temperature. Turn upside down on a rack and carefully peel off the paper. Cover top and sides of cake with the jelly, pressing it in with a spatula. Have ready fondant and frosting mixtures.

To make fondant: Put 3 pounds sugar, 3 cups water and ½ teaspoon cream of tartar into a heavy pan and stir over a slow fire until dissolved. Allow to boil gently, without stirring, until it reaches the hard-ball stage. Pour onto a wet marble slab or a wet porcelain platter and let stand until it does not stick to the finger when touched. Work the mixture with a flat pastry spatula until it becomes white and opaque, then knead with the hands until it is soft and pliable (the fondant may be made ahead of time and will keep well if packed tightly in a bowl and covered with a wet towel). Mix 1 pound finely ground blanched almonds into the fondant and add 1 teaspoon almond essence. Roll out this almond paste ⅛" thick, cut a round which exactly fits the top of the cake. Roll out the remainder and cut to fit sides of cake. Cover with paste and then with Royal Frosting.

To make Royal Frosting: Put 4 egg whites into an electric beater and slowly add 5 pounds confectioners' sugar and about ½ cup fresh lemon juice. Beat well until frosting is of thick spreading consistency (the quantity of sugar and lemon juice will vary, according to the size of the egg whites). When cake is completely covered with frosting, decorate by forcing the rest of the frosting through a pastry bag with a star tube and, if desired, put small Christmas favors on top. Allow cake to stand for 48 hours before serving. (This cake improves with aging and should be made as long before Christmas as possible. It will keep moist if stored in an air-tight tin.)

**Tonilles**

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Cream the butter, add the sugar and beat until light and fluffy. Mix in the flour and work until it is well distributed. Add the ground nuts. Turn mixture out onto a pastry board and roll out a little less than ⅛" thick. Cut in 1½" rounds with a cookie cutter. Bake on a cookie sheet at 350° until a delicate brown, about 8-10 minutes. Remove, cool, sandwich two rounds together with honey, dust each sandwich with confectioners' sugar. Makes 12.

**Viennese Vanilla Crescents**

- ¾ cup (1½ sticks) sweet butter
- 4 tablespoons powdered sugar
- 2 cups sifted flour
- ¼ cup ground almonds or hazelnuts, unblanched
- Pinch of salt
- Confectioners' sugar flavored with vanilla bean

Cream the butter, slowly add the powdered sugar and work in the flour, a little at a time. Add the ground nuts. Chill mixture for 2 hours in the refrigerator. Roll out on a floured board and make a finger-thick roll. Cut into segments 3" long and curve each to make a crescent shape. Bake in a 350° oven on a cookie sheet for 10-15 minutes. Remove at once, and very gently toss the crescents in flavored confectioners' sugar (to make this, put a vanilla bean into a container of sugar about 2 hours before making the cookies; put about ½ cup of this vanilla sugar in a bowl for cookie coating) until well covered. Makes 24 cookies.

**Mince Pie**

Pie crust for a two-crust pie
- ½ pound beef suet
- ¾ pound raisins
- ¾ pound currants
- ¾ pound moist brown sugar
- ¾ pound chopped apples
- ¾ pound sultanas
- ¾ pound mixed peel
- ¾ pound sweet almonds
- Rind and juice of 2 lemons
- Pinch of mixed spice
- 1 cup brandy

Warm everything except the pie crust and brandy in the oven for ½ hour at 250°. When all is thoroughly mingled, add the brandy and put in a crock. As it is essential for this mincemeat mixture to mature, make it 2 or 3 weeks in advance of using—ideally 4-6 months before Christmas. It will keep as long as 3 years if kept in a covered, air-tight crock in a cool place. When ready to use, fill pie crust (use about 3 cups of the mincemeat) and bake at 350° for 30-35 minutes. Serves 6.
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Leaves vary in shape from shields to spears, from thick and leathery to really transparent. Patterns may be precise and geometric or irregular and impressionistic. Until you have grown or seen enough to form first hand opinions, you could scarcely find an uninteresting plant in the lot. In the United States marantas grow better indoors under favorable conditions than they do outdoors—with a few exceptions. In California, Ctenanthe humilis makes a good tub plant, tolerant of full sunlight and reaching three feet or more in height. Calathea zebrina and the common maranta species are freely grown outside in southern Florida. For all indoor growing, here are Alfred Graf’s basic suggestions for succeeding with the maranta clan:


Unusual maranta varieties that provide striking foliage colors and patterns among taller plants include, above: 1. Calathea lutea; 3. C. wioti; 6. C. ornata roseo-lineata; 7. C. picturata (leaf almost hidden; called flamingo flower); 10. Alocasia amazonica; 11. Begonia lettonica; 13. Dieffenbachia Arvida. Set pots in peat on pebbles, or dried manure (peatmoss is useful only if fertilizing supplements are given). Situation—shade or filtered sunlight, never direct sun except briefly or in winter. Subdued light is preferred. Artificial light, especially from ordinary incandescent fixtures or fluorescent tubes high in blue and red rays, will keep maranta foliage healthy and bright. Temperature—from 60° or so at night to 70° or more in the daytime, in other words, approximately the winter temperatures maintained in most heated houses and apartments. Humidity—relatively high, far higher in fact than ordinarily heated winter rooms can provide without efficient air conditioning. However, such a “pool” garden as that pictured on page 71, or the plant boxes on page 72 and below in which clay plant pots are packed... Continued on page 158

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The living room, nearly two stories high, reflects a taste for modern formality. Seating pieces are off-white, delphinium blue. On fireplace wall are 17th c. Japanese scrolls.

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Guest bedroom is furnished for frequent visits by owner's grandchildren. Double studio bed was chosen to allow greater play area. Colors in room are yellow, white and olive green, with carnation pink accents.

HOUSE PLANTS

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