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The rage for rhythm
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If the cosmos was created by rhythm, and vibration holds it together, as Eastern mystics believe, the current resurgence of rhythm instruments, devices, drums and accompaniments reactivates this relationship with gusto, if not vengeance. Witness, for instance, the Ringo Starr-dom of the Beatles. He may be only a drummer boy, but he is very well the group's heart-beat and the audience's heart-throb. Four years ago the New York Schools of Music had not a single student in percussion; today Arthur Cremin, director, reports that 300 boys and girls out of an enrollment of 2,000 are conscientiously pounding drums.

The drum—in all its formal manifestations of snare, kettle and timpani as well as more improvisationally in steel bands, bongos and tom-toms—has arrived. But drums are only one aspect of the excitement, only the beginning of a weird, wonderful and fanciful voyage of rhythm-making. The Ludwig Drum Company in Chicago, for instance, lists what it calls "total percussion," a panorama of some fifty-odd instruments that ranges from the concert grand marimba, the size of a piano, to the tiny gùiro, a hand-sized gourd notched and grooved to give a pleasing, scraping sound when "bowed" with a strip of bamboo. You have heard the gùiro in Latin American bands. Or, you may recognize it in the original version of Stravinsky's "The Rite of Spring." Or you may have brought one back from a South American vacation, and placed it on a coffee table as a decorative objet d'art.

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The dozens and dozens of other rhythm instruments are even easier to play. Cymbals, for instance, are nothing but two resonant sticks of wood, lightly held and hit against each other. Maracas are seed-filled gourds varnished for brilliance of sound and shaken in the hands—the identifying sound and pulse of the rhumba. Slapsticks are V-shaped, and when snapped together, sound like the crack of a whip. Temple drums from Japan and China, carved to look like a fish and slotted for pitch and timbre, sound like popping champagne corks (they are used for that in radio sound effects). Even a dustbin lid makes music nowadays. You can strike it with your fingers or sticks according to your ability and inherent sense of rhythm. For once in this complicated world, instinct is more important than intellect.

The impulse to beat on something, to make oneself heard loud and strong, is as old as man. In Paleolithic times, it is now known, men stamped or stomped on the so-called stamped pit—a hole dug in the ground and covered with bark—and they could be heard for quite a distance. Another primal instinct that seems to be eternally in every man is to soothe himself with noise under the control of his command. The rattle, for instance. Near the stamped pits of Neolithic times we find gourds filled with stones, seeds or teeth. For millennia these musical instruments have rattled with good effect in cribs, in ceremonies, in dance bands, even symphony orchestras.

Historically, drums were associated with war. (We nod in that direction with our drum majors and military bands.) At one time camels with kettledrums tied to their sides were raced on desert sands and into the fracas with tribal enemies. In China, warriors were preceded by drum-beating madmen chained to oxcarts—suicide squads, so to speak. Sometimes, the army that was most deafening won the battle without an arrow flying.

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New sound of music

Thanks in large extent to percussion and its proliferation, music has been redefined. Once we thought of it as “harmonious sound.” Today it is sound-noise. Any sound can be music, if a composer makes it so. And noise, as it exists in life, can live in the art of music as well. What about that cannon firing in the middle of Tchaikovsky’s “1812 Overture”? Or the clock in Haydn’s “Clock Symphony”? If you doubt the meaning and beauty of noise in music, listen to any Afro-Cuban or Latin American band, to Bossa Nova or, for that matter, to Doris Day’s record of “Latin for Lovers.”

Now, the whole family of percussion has been released not only in jazz, but in concert, and particularly in the wild and woolly realm of the avant-garde. Karlheinz Stockhausen, today’s bad boy of music, popular jazz is forever seeking new rhythmic devices. One of the most successful in recent years was Rolf Harris’ in “Tie Me Kangaroo Down.” Its identifying beat came from a square sheet of thin metal waved and shaken in the air (a smaller version of the instrument that makes thunder in the opera). In Rolf Harris’ hands, it sounds like lapping water or, if you prefer, a series of syncopated hiccups. Its rhythmic precision is pleasant, amusing and rousing.

The variety of rhythm instruments in use today is stupendous. Max Neuhaus, America’s leading percussionist, tours with 1,100 pounds of cymbals, drums, bells, mallet instruments and wooden instruments of various kinds, and leaves about that amount at home. Among his most extraordinary instruments are a small sleigh bell ½ inch in diameter and a Swiss cowbell 18 inches square.

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Basket problems. The difficulty with hanging baskets outdoors is less a matter of making them correctly than of keeping them from getting blown, washed or torn apart. Wind, of course, is one of the worst enemies of the hanging basket, since it is constantly sucking moisture out of the root earth through the sheet-moss lining as it goes by. Wind is as much of a threat to a heavy-flowered plant as to a delicate one such as tuberous begonia or fuchsia. And don't overlook the fact that the basket can create its own wind, so to speak, or at least augment considerably the effect of an existing breeze simply by swinging back and forth in it.

When a basket is hung from the limb of a big tree (one of the most effective supports for such a plant), you may need a supplementary chain to bring the plant down to the desired level, and it is this lengthened "pendulum" of the moss will help greatly to reduce evaporation.

Squirrels are horses of another color. One inquisitive squirrel, leaping from tree trunk, branch or porch rafter, can make a shambles of a hanging basket in minutes. Not much you can do about him either, but try to scare him away.

To avoid normal washing of the earth when baskets are being watered (or rained on), the best device is a doubled-over rim of sheet moss or sphagnum held in place by the soil itself. This is also likely to remain nearer longer than unprotected earth. A further help, although a general nuisance, is to use a stepladder tall enough to let you see into the basket as you apply water. Blindly watering overhead may not only wash the basket soil, but drench you with muddy water. While simply arching a stream from a hose into a basket will be fatal (placer mining), occasional syringing of the outside of the moss will help greatly to reduce evaporation.

**Second weekend**

Boxwoods. Few plants have been so drenched in moonlight and mimosa as the boxwoods of our tidewater East, notwithstanding the fact that on a midsummer's day boxwood has an aroma all its own. One of America's most storied and romantic evergreens, boxwood is paradoxically not even American. The boxwoods of our Eastern seaboard (and they are relatively unimportant elsewhere) belong to either one of two species. *Buxus sempervirens*, the common boxwood, is native to Europe, North Africa, and parts of Asia and its varieties are probably the most "American" of the lot. *B. microphylla* is an Asian species, mostly Japanese, and is both less traditionally revered and considerably harder to cold weather.

Of both *buxus* species there are several distinct and distinguished variants. Probably the best of the edging types is the very compact, slow-growing *B. sempervirens suffruticosa*. It can be kept for years to a height and width of a few inches. Perhaps the most resistant to cold weather is what is known as Korean boxwood and may, in fact, be a form of *B. microphylla koreana* (or it may not: what expert do you like?). It seldom grows taller than 18 inches, but may waffle out to 4 feet or more (its sole serious fault is that it opens up supinely in heavy rain). A sister variety was originated at the Kingsville Nursery in Maryland and is known as *B. microphylla compacta*. And compact it certainly is.

Most of the legendary eighteenth-century boxwoods of the great tidal river country are forms, variants (varieties is too precise a word) of common boxwood. They may be cultivated in sizes and styles ranging from small hedges and parterre edges to rather imposing small trees as many as 20 feet or more high. The leaves will vary in length from a half-inch to 1½ inches. All the boxwoods are, of course, evergreen. All should be hardy, near sea level, in all the Atlantic states from Cape Cod, Mass., southward. All, but especially the *sppervirens* varieties, may suffer some disfigurement in late winter from sun and windburn, in midsummer from the tunneling in the leaves of boxleaf

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Third weekend

Blowing bugle's horn. Ajuga, an ungraceful name at best, is the patronymic of the familiar bugle or bugleweed, which are also ungraceful—or at least inappropriate—names. But the species the names represent are among the most hardy, durable, tolerant and attractive groundcovers available to gardeners. Ajuga reptans is the most familiar species. Its leaves are thumb-length, oval, roughly toothed, slightly longer leaves (to 14 inches or more in summer). Ajugas—all of them—will thrive in quite heavy overhead shade, although they set most flowers in the dappled sunlight of early spring. They will grow in any kind of soil, endure any amount of winter cold, suffer a bag-like environment or very dry conditions. The only thing they will not endure without damage is foot traffic. Ideal between stepping stones, the leaves tend to scuff away if actually trod on.

There are at least two or three species having the same general appearance and function as A. reptans, but different characteristics. And all three tend to show similar variations of leaf color, from green or bronze to purple or variegated (there is one variegated form that combines green, purple, creamy white and almost pink leaves). A. genevensis has toothed, slightly longer leaves (to 3 inches or so) and taller flower spikes (to 14 inches or more in good soil). A. pyramidalis has smooth-edged shiny leaves. The last two species are not nearly so stoloniferous (do not spread as rapidly or by rooting runners) as A. reptans varieties. But the dense mats they form may be chopped up like hamburger patties and will form new mats in a trice.

One zany but pleasant way of using ajuga along a shady path is to mix at random all the varieties you can lay your hands on (roadside stands sell berry-basket clumps in spring). The creeping ones will fill the gaps rapidly, and the others will make pleasant oases that enlarge each year.

Fourth weekend

The case against rain. Some of our nicest plants hate moisture in the summertime. Fundamentally, this goes for many of our winter-hardy spring-flowering bulbs. And they all (those that thrive in dry soil) relish full sun and high heat. Since these plants have no means of moving from wet soil to dry or from a shady spot to a sunny one, they have a tendency to die and disappear without a trace in a situation unsuited to their needs. The kind of hybrid tulips gardeners grow generally make some accommodation to garden conditions, suffering the final indignity only if the climatic extremes are too great. But of the species that are native to regions having severe winters with long, hot, dry summers are most of the tulips from which all our garden hybrids have been derived.

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To achieve this happy state of dry heat in the temperate and eastern areas of this country is manifestly impossible under normal garden circumstances. But if you will take the trouble to grow some of these lovely species in pots the year-round, you can keep them beneath ordinary old-fashioned storm sash supported on simple wooden trestles. Leave the sides open, keep the sash in place, and your pots will summer nicely. Then, of course, when you wish to apply water, the source is as near as your hose.
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The glorious state of our garden this month inspired me to have a buffet supper not on the terrace, but right on the lawn among the flower beds. In the spring, Don had put up a beautifully proportioned pergola at the back of the garden, and I decided that was the perfect spot for the long buffet table. First I decked the pergola with green branches which I wove in and out across the lath top and secured to the uprights with a stapling gun. We hung candle lanterns from the crosspieces at varying heights. On the table itself, I laid a simple cloth and bouquets of zinnias. I decided on a French theme for the supper because I especially wanted to use my new plates that remind me of some marvelous restaurants Don and I have dined in when driving through France. The plates, which I found at Bergdorf Goodman, are white matte-finish faience, each bearing a black silhouette of the sign of a great inn: "Au Grand Frederic," "Les 3 Canards," "Le Coq en Pot," and so on.

For serving dishes, I used my classic French burnt-orange enamelled ironware. A narrow rectangular dish held a terrine of ham, a shallow oval one, Brandade de Morue, that delicious concoction of salt cod with garlic, oil and cream, garnished with pitted ripe olives. I set out a chicory and mushroom salad and, of course, baskets of hard French rolls. Guests ate at card tables set up around the lawn, each with its own bottle of table wine next to the hurricane candle in the center. For dessert, a maccaroni de fruit flambe was rolled around on a teacart.

Summer being the time for cold soup, my friend Julie Axelrod keeps the basis for same in good supply in her freezer all season long. This is nothing more than canned cream of potato soup—but what interesting varieties she concocts with it. Sometimes, after defrosting, she blends it with a lot of parsley; sometimes she adds saffron and then garnishes with caviar. Or she may whir it up in the blender with fresh cooked peas and watercress (small batches at a time). Best of all, she says, is to spice the potato soup with curry powder and serve it with thin slices of avocado.

This is the time of the year when we all seem to be in the grocery trucking business. Everyone is carting food to the boat or off on a picnic, or up to the mountains for the weekend. Don, with his high efficiency rating, has solved a lot of my own transportation problems. He suggested that I carry as much food as possible in semiprepared form in quart Mason jars, and put the jars, when filled, right back into the corrugated cardboard boxes in which they came. So, into one jar goes a dozen eggs removed from their shells (handy to have for scrambled eggs and no worry about breakage en route). I fill another jar with diced tomatoes and a third with chopped cucumbers, lightly marinated. Into a fourth goes shrimp salad made with the tiniest variety. Another jar holds melon balls and the last, my favorite salad dressing. Then we put the carton in our Styrofoam ice chest, which keeps everything at the right temperature during the trip, and we are all set to serve a salad lunch to our weekend guests or drop-in neighbors as soon as we arrive. In addition, I bring meat and fowl sandwiches, previously frozen. They thaw out while we are on our way, and by the time we are ready for lunch, they are succulently moist and just right for eating.
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THE FRONT

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HOUSE?

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Walk up to the main entrance, the door that greets visitors. You may find it inside a walled courtyard. Or you may find it at the end of a long covered walk that takes you past two-thirds of the house itself. Tall, handsome and welcoming the door may be, yet the wall it pierces may seem more like the end, the side, or even the inside of the house than the front. (Yet some insist the main door is always the "front" door, and by extension, the front of the house.)

Walk inside, assuming you have been invited, and into the living room. By this time you are doubtless as far away from the street as you can get. Look out the window and you will be looking at the finest view the house affords. Walk through the window (it is almost certain to be a sliding glass door), turn around and you will at last discover what appears to be the face of the house, the aspect that reveals its character. But this is not the front, say purists; this is the back.

Which is the front of the house?

Perhaps we no longer need a definition. Perhaps the house front has become as obsolete as the porte-cochere (an American misnomer to begin with), since it is the inside of the house, the private side, that counts. If you have a theory of your own, H&G will be eager to hear it. You might test it out on the house you will find on pages 82-95 of this issue.
How to make
your kitchen
a personal joy

Walk into anyone's kitchen today and you can sense immediately what kind of person lives there—whimsical or austere, elegant or mercurial, self-confident and imaginative or timidly in awe of conventions. Living rooms have always tended to reveal their creators, but kitchens are fairly new at this giveaway game. But since so many of the more irksome kitchen chores have been done away with, cooking has become a form of adventurous personal expression. Anyone who slaves over the pastry board or the stove today does it from choice and for fun. As a natural sequel, the kitchen itself has become more fun. And since it is the stage for a private personal activity (guests may be admitted, but their pleasure in this room is secondary), its character is more personal than that of a living room or dining room, its function, to afford a purely personal joy. Filled with materials, with ideas, with exotic flavor that its chatelaine has garnered in happy wanderings about the globe, the room gives you an incisive picture of her individual taste.

Today you can put in your kitchen, almost literally, anything you like. Such limitations as kitchen curtains, kitchen chairs and kitchen tables are obsolete. With an exhaust fan to keep them unsullied by grease and grime, any colors, fabrics, wallpapers that strike your fancy have as much right in the kitchen as in any other room. You can exercise your personal inventiveness by using familiar materials—tin, steel, wood, bricks—in new ways. Useful objects can be cast in decorative roles: bunched or hung or shelved in delightful compositions. Pretty hooks and fixtures are at hand to supplant the utilitarian cup hook, the banal ceiling light. And anything you love merely to look at—a painting, a beautiful bowl, an antique—can be given a place in the kitchen where you can enjoy it while you work. On the next eleven pages are five kitchens that reveal their owners' very different personalities, followed by a potpourri of ideas that can give any kitchen a personal stamp.

French toile and trompe-l'oeil for a gourmet cook

Whimsical, feminine and practical, Mrs. Augustine Healy's toile-lined kitchen, opposite page, is a faithful reflection of its owner, a woman with a gift and devotion for the household arts, who is, in addition, a successful businesswoman. For it was Harriet Healy who started Au Bon Gout, the shop in Palm Beach, Fla., that specializes in gourmet foods and decorative accessories, and where she still gives cooking lessons. And the minute you walk into her kitchen you know she loves France, its food, its decorative style.

The Healis have two kitchens in their Palm Beach house, one of them a large and businesslike room where cooks help out for big parties. The second kitchen is Mrs. Healy's private domain. Here she turns out perfect little luncheons and suppers, and serves them to a few guests either in the kitchen itself or on the patio outside. With its pretty fabric, antique furniture and sliding glass doors, the room seems more like a breakfast room than a kitchen. The French toile covers the upper part of three walls and lines an alcove next to a tile-framed white brick fireplace opposite the terrace doors (see page 70). The fourth wall is paneled with white-painted boards. But the pattern motifs pervade the whole room since they have been copied on the cabinet doors, and their blue and white echoes again and again in small accessories.

All of the working equipment of the kitchen is confined to one wall, opposite page, in the center of which is a space-saving slide-out range and a pair of glass-doored ovens with storage cabinets above and below them. (Continued)
At the left of the range, opposite page, is a cabinet and shelf complex that illustrates Mrs. Healy's twin skills of practicality and whimsy: The cabinet doors have painted trompe-l'oeil curtains; tools hang prettily or stand in jugs and jars, always ready for her fast hand; a rolling work table, its top half wood, half marble, is stored under the counter, dressed in a skirt of toile.

On the other side of the range, below left, is the sink, equipped with a disposal unit. In an ingenious space-stretching maneuver, Mrs. Healy had a cutting board made to fit neatly over the sink basin. Spices and staples are stored over the sink in clear plastic bins, and the cookbook rack, when folded back, makes a cover for them.

The fireplace at the end of the room is inactive now, but lends spiritual warmth and makes a happy place for plants. To the left of the fireplace in the toile-lined alcove is an old French desk, above left, where Mrs. Healy, who also writes cook books, keeps her culinary records. The doorway on the other side of the fireplace leads to the pantry containing the refrigerator, freezer, another sink and a dishwasher. Here, too, herbs from the garden are heaped in baskets to dry.

All over the kitchen are small touches that give the room its very personal character: the antique butter molds that serve as pulls for all the doors and drawers, the French Ferris-wheel wire egg basket that usually stands on the table (see preceding page), the table mats, opposite page—trompe-l'oeil fruit plates painted on scrubbable canvas, an old craft Mrs. Healy revived when she was running Au Bon Gout.

For equipment details, turn to page 132.
The soft shimmer of embossed tin for a Mexicophile

One look at Mrs. John W. Murphey's Tucson, Ariz., kitchen and you don’t need to be told she is an aficionado of the Mexican colonial style. Hers is by no means a traditional Mexican kitchen, but it shimmers with a familiar Mexican decorative material—embossed tin—put to highly inventive use. (To antique collectors, the tin-faced cabinets may recall the Early American pie safes.) With the tin, the Murpheys' architect, Juan Wörner-Baz, combined ornate Mexican floor tiles that established the color scheme for the whole room. The floor of white, pink, yellow and brown has the richness of a lovely rug and gives substance to the bright lights of the tin, the stainless steel doors of major appliances, the white walls and woodwork, the pale pink marbleized laminate countertops and the treasures from the Murpheys' silver collection that are displayed in several places about the room.

Yet for all its resplendence, this is a serious working kitchen, designed to accommodate more than one cook, and generously endowed with equipment, storage space and working surface, together with an easy traffic pattern. The big central work island, above right, contributes enormously to the kitchen's workability with its drawers and shelves on both sides, its elevated spice and staple shelves (the spices themselves echo some of the rich earth colors of the tile floor) and outlets for appliances at both ends. Along the wall under the window there are long stretches of counter space on both sides of...
the double sink and dishwasher. Around the corner to the right is a six-burner cooking top and pair of ovens, and at the opposite end of the room, right, an alcove with table and banquette for seated work. Against the wall facing the sink stands a double-door refrigerator-freezer, opposite page, and along a passage to its left, a long row of storage closets.

A kitchen with so much pattern and gleam on every side scarcely needs decorative accent, yet Mrs. Murphey does not hide all her possessions behind closed doors. The collection of tea canisters above the spice shelf, the silver display in the alcove, the dishes arrayed on open shelves all make the difference between a decorative tour de force and a warm, livable room.

For equipment details, see page 132
Mrs. Ralph E. Mullin has a deep feeling for the antique and for the sunny countries washed by the Mediterranean—and the kitchen in her house in Tucson, Ariz., shows it. Typically Mediterranean is the stark contrast between the white plaster walls and ceiling and the dark beams, furniture and cabinets. Typical, too, is the softening of that contrast with small-patterned dark and light tiles. The stainless steel of the sinks and appliances also helps to blend the dark and light, since its reflective surface plays back the room's colors instead of imposing an unequivocal color of its own.

When the Mullins' kitchen—formerly a tandem kitchen and butler's pantry—was remodeled by architect David Mackie, the allocation of space was reversed: The erstwhile butler's pantry was turned into a compact working kitchen, its former sense of confinement banished by the removal of the wall between the two rooms. And the big square kitchen was converted into a generous breakfast room. The wall was replaced by a peninsula cabinet, above left, which has a triple function as a space divider, a working surface for the new kitchen and a serving counter for the breakfast area. The drawers are
designed for silver and table linens; the cupboards for dishes. In the alcove at the inner end of the working area, a refrigerator-freezer fitted like a glove. Double ovens and a cooking top were installed in the adjacent wall, above, and next to the cooking top, a wooden butcher block counter insert for cutting and chopping. A new sink and a dishwasher replaced the old butler's sink under the window in the outside wall, and in the breakfast area a double sink, useful for flower-arranging and drink-fixing, replaced the former kitchen sink.

Many of the old cabinets were salvaged and, along with new ones, finished with molding and dark stain to match the antique oak table and chairs Mrs. Mullin wanted to use in the breakfast area. For overhead lighting, wrought-iron chandeliers were chosen to carry out the room's provincial spirit. Mrs. Mullin added a few of her cherished antiques: a set of eighteenth-century Basque wrought-iron marriage-feast implements mounted over the peninsula counter, two medallions of seventeenth-century Spanish stained glass that hang in the windows, an old English tavern stool, old copper and brass.

For equipment details, see page 132
Stainless steel and pert whimsies for a designer-cook

Probably the most challenging kind of kitchen to make personal and inviting is the old-fashioned high-ceilinged tile-walled type that looks as if it belonged in a hospital or an orphanage. Designer Evelyn Jablow was faced with such a kitchen in her own city apartment, but she banished the institutional look entirely by a variety of imaginative means. One of them, surprisingly enough, was the introduction of another hard, smooth material: stainless steel.

She designed tambour doors of stainless steel for her new sink cabinets, above, repeated the fluted motif in a stove hood of stainless steel, opposite page, framed the electrical box with a fluted stainless steel door, hung spice shelves of the same material below it and replaced the glass in some of her cabinet doors with brushed stainless steel to conceal the interiors. She also mounted a stainless steel work shelf under the window near the stove and designed a rolling work table with a drop-leaf butcher block top on a stainless steel frame.

This cool combination of white tile and silvery metal is pleasantly warmed by other materials and colors—ceiling and cabinets painted a pale sand, curtains of natural Belgian linen and, opposite the sink, the polished black of the stove, a restaurant model which is the only large dark mass in the room. Over the sink, Mrs. Jablow added the mellowness of old wood in a cabinet made with the doors from an old French cupboard. A drawer that once belonged to the same piece she incorporated in the stainless steel counter under the window.

A generous display of Mrs. Jablow’s favorite finds in various parts of the world gives character to the largest expanse of tile wall (nail hooks were inserted with the help of a small jeweler’s drill). The pot garden near the party sink in the pantry ell, above, and the numerous playful touches such as the milking stool and trompe-l’oeil chair all say: Someone lives here.
dramatic brick arches, Guatemalan inspired, for a busy young mother

Architecture may not seem vital to the success of a kitchen, yet it is architectural design that gives an unmistakably personal stamp to the kitchen architect P. M. Bolton designed for his family in Houston, Tex. Two great arches of brick, inspired by the arcaded buildings of Guatemala, give the efficient room the romantic air of places far away in space and time. Contrasting with the curves of the arches, the carefully scaled and detailed cabinets add a handsome linear pattern. And the effectiveness of the whole design is emphasized by the colors: pure hot yellow on the cabinets and vinyl floor; white on the ceiling, counters and cylindrical lights; champagne tones in the bricks; brown stain on the wooden shutters; the silvery gleam of stainless steel on the appliances.

At the same time, the kitchen is essentially simple and eminently practical. The Holtons describe it as having a doughnut plan with the hole reserved for the cook. (She can work undisturbed by through traffic.) Actually the doughnut is rectangular and has one opening at the end of the peninsula counter, opposite page. On the longest wall, under the shuttered window, above left, are the sink and the dishwasher and, next to them, the refrigerator-freezer, below left. In the adjacent wall are double ovens and at the opposite end of the room, the cooking top. On all sides there is abundant storage.

Across from the arched window, a second arch spans the peninsula counter that forms a work surface on the kitchen side, and, on the outside, a counter where the three Bolton children have their breakfasts. Standing in "the doughnut's hole," you can look across the breakfast area and through glass doors into a glass-roofed patio where a series of four more arches form a delightful perspective. This satisfying blend of romantic design with no-nonsense plan was conceived primarily for the benefit of one or two persons preparing family meals. But the Boltons have put their kitchen to the test of preparing an eighty-guest dinner, and it passed with high marks. 

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personal flourishes
make a kitchen fun to work in

Any kitchen can become a personal joy if its indispensable efficiency is countered by things you love to look at—paintings or antiques, handsome bowls and jars, whimsical sketches, decorative arrangements of utensils or even food. Here is a sheaf of ideas you can adapt to your personal style—plus some helpful devices you can buy ready-made.

An old-fashioned accordion-fold hat rack would make a decorative perch for small utensils. Old racks are not very hard to find in antique shops, and now reproductions are also available.

Oversize metal hooks and a wooden rack hold a pretty array of containers—bowls, baskets and trays—in the Robert Sheridans' Ventura, Calif., kitchen.

Whimsical sketches and favorite recipes, left, are painted in muted colors on the standard cabinets in the Conrad Kahns' Beverly Hills, Calif., kitchen. Interior designers: Hunter & White.

Tempting water colors of vegetables and other foods, framed to match the bamboo-lattice ceiling paper, brighten a small kitchen. Interior designer: Jack Steinberg; paintings by Renée.

Refrigerator-freezer, adorning a kitchen's dining corner with its lacquer-like jade finish and oriental hardware, looks at first glance like fine furniture. One of an outstanding variety of special-order designs by Kelvinator.
Black iron skillets in a carefully composed arrangement embellish a wall in the Stephen Levy's King's Point, N.Y., kitchen. Onion and pepper strings are made of raffia. Designer: Lloyd Bell.

A half-round wrought-iron rack, copied from the traditional French butcher's rack, makes a bright display of small saucepans against a wood wall.

Bottles with ground glass stoppers, that once held cologne, have been relabeled for oil and vinegars in cooking authority James Beard's kitchen. In the huge bottle, leftover wine turns to vinegar.

Primitive family portraits benignly watch over a high shelf of preserves along one wall of a French kitchen.

A French marmite, left, holds a mixed bouquet of wooden spoons, paddles and wire whisks in James Beard's kitchen. Pewter mug is reserved for pastry brushes. Wine bottles and pots add to the Dutch still-life effect.

Good-looking hooks such as the heavy metal meat hooks, left, might inspire a whole composition. They would be especially good for foods that should hang in open: cheese, onions, herbs.

Filing boxes for recipes, left, may be bought decorated, or you can transform pedestrian office boxes yourself with paint, paper, shellac, fabric, découpage.

Still-used cookware ranging from Tuscan clay to Chinese copper, right, turns a tier of shelves into a miniature museum. Quarter-round shelves at left bridge the gap between cabinet and wall.

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a house of SURPRISES
Some houses reveal themselves in full measure at first glance. Other houses accent. Withholding from immediate gaze the myriad pleasures they have to offer the added pleasure of delighted discovery. A cheerful example is this built-for New Seabury on Massachusetts' Cape Cod. The almost windowless stretch of rugged siding that you see as you approach from the road gives no clue whatsoever to the bonus at the heart of the house: a sheltered patio bursting with flowers and shimmering with the glint of water in a small pool. But this is only the beginning of unexpected assets, large and small, that you come across as you walk through the rooms...
On the brow of a small hill, our house of surprises hugs its site, surrounded by pine trees that meet the ground with their slithery needles. Below the house, the land tilts away gently across a field course toward sand dunes and the distant sea. But the architect, Robert Woods Kennedy, in the long view, turning the house inward toward, its private world. This kind of orientation is particularly valuable in warm climates, where the self-contained, one-world atmosphere of a central patio helps to buffer the blistering heat beyond the house walls. But it was transposed to a year-round house in variable climates as a decided and welcome surprise.

Close co-operation of the land developer, Emil Enyser, furnished and decorated the house for a young family—a couple with a son and a daughter both of college age. Their aim was to make the rooms as amiable in winter as in summer when it becomes an extra room.

The house itself consists of two long rectangular sections of the courtyard (see plan, opposite page) covered by covered arcades that complete the enclosure. Windows mounted under the roofs of the arcades ensure light in winter. For a family with a teenage couple in and out of the house, the two-part plan offers an agreeable flexibility. Each generation can enjoy complete independence in a courtyard and the main living areas in the larger sections.

Even in cold weather, the house is not large. Sparkling white walls; furnishings in clear, crisp fabrics—starchy gingham, chintzes. We wanted two Mediterranean motifs, tiles and actual materials and their patterns on walls and ceilings. But we tempered these summery combinations of cold-weather comforts: thick uncomfortable armchairs; opaque curtains to screen glass on gray, blustery days. And throughout the house, we augmented the built-in surprises with others—finished materials, inventive conveniences, built-in shelves for sun-bathing towels. They are revealed room by room on the ten pages or can be discovered at first hand when you visit our neighborhood of Cape Cod. The house will be ready for sale this fall and throughout the summer of 1960.
The plan is flexible

Facing each other across the central courtyard, the two sections of the house, left, are for the most part only one room wide, and since the rooms in each section are arranged in a straight line, space flows pleasantly and directly from one end to the other. The larger section, to the right of the courtyard entrance, is subdivided into the main living areas (living room and dining room-kitchen) and the parents' quarters. The latter includes bedroom, dressing and bathrooms, completely secluded behind the double doors at one end of the general living areas. The second, smaller section of the house, across the courtyard, is the children's headquarters. Son and daughter each have a bright corner room and share the room between, which we turned into an indoor garden room where they could entertain their friends. They also share a compartmented bathroom. A family with younger children might prefer an alternate plan, above, in which the children's section is placed at right angles to the parents' section so there is less distance between them. In this case the arcade is enclosed with glass.
The parents’ quarters offer unexpected comforts

The plan of the parents’ bedroom (see shaded section of plan, above) helps considerably to achieve a restful, uncluttered arrangement. Instead of placing closets across one end of the room, the architect used them as an island divider to separate the sleeping area from the dressing area. The back of the closets, on the bedroom side, opposite page, top, provides a broad window-free backdrop for the bed, and the wall opposite the closets on the dressing room side is left clear for chests of drawers, opposite page, bottom center. Thus the other furniture in the sleeping area can be limited to a few important pieces with a living room look. For extra storage, we stationed a pair of armoires, opposite page, bottom left, on each side of the double doors leading to the living room.

The color scheme for this room we borrowed from the traditional blue, white and yellow of Spanish tiles, choosing a tile-like motif in blue and white for the walls and curtains and saving the yellow for one big concentrated splash—the carpet—and a few bold accents.

In the parents’ bathroom, opposite page, bottom right, all three colors are combined in the Spanish-tile-patterned wallpaper and emphasized by stacks of towels in each color arranged on the open shelves that span one end of the room.

1. The sumptuous looking wall hanging behind the bed is not a heavy Spanish coverlet, as you might perhaps suppose, but a cotton fabric woven in a very similar pattern (the same fabric makes the bedspread). Visually the wall panel takes the place of a canopy which would have obscured the interesting shape of the peaked ceiling.

2. Even when the bedspread is turned down, sheets and blankets in a bouquet of blues blend with the room’s palette.

3. Sliding glass doors on one side of room lead to a small fountained garden that extends from one corner of the big inner courtyard (see plan, above left), but is screened from it by planting.

4. Sliding doors of clothes closet in island divider are plastic laminate, each in a different color taken from the bedroom palette.

5. Dado hand-stenciled on white walls is repeated exactly on white linen overcurtains so that the tile-like pattern runs continuously around three sides of the room.

6. A redwood-paneled sauna, complete with a sunken tub, a separate shower, built-in redwood benches and all the necessary equipment, adjoins the parents’ bathroom.

7. Sauna faucets, specially designed of wood, are used instead of standard metal fittings which would become too hot to touch.

8. Outside the sauna is a private terrace enclosed by high redwood walls—a completely secluded spot for sun-bathing. Outdoor furniture by Woodard.

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In the son's room, a copper-striped wall

Since the son in our hypothetical family is away at college much of the time, we decided to furnish his room (shaded corner of plan, above) as a sitting room which he could use for entertaining his friends during vacations, but easily convert into a bedroom. For sleeping we chose a daybed with a frame across the back to support the cushions that turn it into a comfortable sofa. Since it did not have to be backed up to the wall, there was plenty of space for a corner storage arrangement, right—a combination of open shelves for books with closed cabinets for shirts, sweaters, et al., that eliminate the need of a chest of drawers. For reading and studying the young man has a generous table desk and a roomy armchair, opposite page, which we covered with fake fur in the same masculine tones as the sturdy, tweedy fabric that covers the sofa. To give the room liveliness we added bursts of bright yellow—at windows, in the lacquer finish of the desk, in one sofa pillow.

The greeny beige vinyl tiles that cover the floor of this room are combined with white tiles to make a checkerboard pattern in the hallway leading to the daughter’s room. The floors of the tub compartment of the bathroom, above, have the same checkerboard pattern, but in a smaller scale produced by cutting the 9-inch tiles into quarters. On the wall next to the tub, lightweight bamboo shelves hold bath towels, some checkerboard, some plain.

A new type of paneling— fir inlaid with bands of copper—covers the long windowless wall of the son’s room. The copper has a nontarnish finish and the paneling comes in thin sheets. By Georgia-Pacific.

Pillows covered in a soft, shaggy rya weave provide an interesting textural contrast to the tweedy upholstery on day bed. (You can make the pillows from kits—see page 134.)

Unorthodox sheet colors—black for the bottom sheet, yellow for the top and the pillowcases—make a bold splash on the daybed at night.

Brand new curtain hardware inspired a new kind of window treatment: Instead of curtains at sliding glass doors, opposite page, panels of yellow cotton duck pull across on ceiling tracks. Panel Trac by Kirsch.

Copper tiles glow on wall and door of wash-up area outside the compartmented bathroom which our young man shares with his sister. Tiles, which come pre-finished to prevent discoloring, are laid on white plastic laminate and spaced apart so background looks like grouting. Also of copper: the basin and long-necked faucet.

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continued

1 A tall, white-painted armoire, its open grille doors lined with shirred green cotton, contains shelves, drawers and hanging space to augment the built-in closet in the daughter's room.

2 Thick slabs of walnut suspended from heavy black chains make sturdy, attractive, adjustable shelves for the potted plants in the garden room.

For the daughter, a flowery room plus a sewing center

The colors of greenery and sunlight were brought indoors to give the daughter's room (shaded corner of plan, above) a springtime look the year-round. We chose one patterned fabric, used it three different ways—in flat panels, to make sliding screens like those in the son's room for the glass doors, left; laminated, to make roller shades for the windows, above left; quilted, to make a coverlet for the green-lacquered rattan bed. Then we added splashes of sunshine: a yellow rug for the white vinyl tile floor, a yellow loveseat for a corner where it would step up the natural sunlight that streams through the windows.

Adjoining this room is a walk-in closet which we converted into a sewing room, far left, where our young lady could enjoy her favorite hobby. We painted the walls yellow, hinged a folding ironing board to one of them, and built a roomy desk that can be used either for the sewing machine or for study.

The garden room

Located between the two bedrooms, the garden room, opposite page, is in essence a patio transplanted indoors for year-round enjoyment. With its floor of ceramic tiles laid in stripes and its other water-resistant surfaces, it can be washed down, if need be, from ceiling to floor—a decided asset in a room where potted plants are likely to scatter earth or dead leaves. The walls are covered with vinyl-coated wallcovering in a see-through lattice pattern that helps to make the room seem larger, and the same material, handled like upholstery fabric, covers the chaise longue. For seating around the wrought-iron table, we chose vinyl-cushioned ottomans with wrought-iron bases—all as indifferent to water as a duck's back. Tile from World-Wide Marble Importers Ltd.
Two thousand years ago—so the legend runs—an unknown workman in Corinth set down his lunch basket on a building site, walked away, and promptly forgot where he had put it. He was not greatly perturbed, however, because it was an old basket, with a hole in the bottom. Through this hole, as the days went by, a little acanthus plant struggled up towards the sunlight, and forced its way through the lid, being obliged to bend back its leaves in the process.

Enter Callimachus, one of the most eminent architects in the whole of Greece. Walking over the building site, a few weeks afterwards, he chanced upon the basket, and was impressed by the curious beauty of the leaves, exquisitely molded by nature and made even more elegant by accident. There and then he made a sketch of the leaves, simplifying them into a formal design, but retaining the essential rhythm of their structure. Later, when he took himself to Corinth, it was this design which blossomed on the capitals that crowned the columns of the temple he was building.

And it has gone on blossoming ever since, under the name of the Corinthian column, in temples and theatres and churches, in stately homes and athletic arenas and across the façades of giant houses of commerce.

That is just one example of the manner in which flowers and leaves have found their way into the pages of history, delicately dictating our concepts of design, breathing their fragrant influence through every branch of the decorative arts. One might indeed say that whenever a decorative motif has been invented, and has established itself in any part of the world, nature thought of it first.

Consider England and the work of the Adam Brothers. Of all the decorative masters of the eighteenth century—the architects, the cabinetmakers, the sculptors and plasterers—the Adam Brothers are, perhaps, supreme. The stately homes of England are an eternal memorial to their inventive genius, and tens of thousands of American visitors have gazed in delight at their ceilings (to which Angelica Kauffman often contributed her delicate plaques), wandered up their airy staircases, studied the intricate molding of their mantelpieces. I wonder how many of those visitors have been aware that the direct inspiration for some of the most beautiful of all the Adam designs was the Garrya elliptica, the winter-flowering quinine bush that in February is hung with those long golden tassels of such exceptional grace? In the swags and festoons of the Adam decor those tassels constantly appear and reappear, and needless to say, they are still being copied. You might even find them on a modern television set.

Consider, again, France and the lily or—if you will allow me a moment's pedantry—France and the iris, for the fleur-de-lis has no more connection with the family of the lily than with the family of the hollyhock. When you buy a length of silk patterned with that charming design of fleur-de-lis that was finally standardized in the Napoleonic era, you are not looking at a lily, you are looking at an iris. You are also looking at a great deal of history. The story goes that at the beginning of the sixth century the army of Clovis I, King of the Franks, was trapped at a bend in the Rhine by a vastly superior force of Goths. And it was the wild yellow iris that saved the day. Clovis caught a glimpse of those yellow petals growing far out into the river. They told him that at this point the water was shallow enough to be used as a ford, and he succeeded in withdrawing his army to safety. No wonder that he adopted the flower as his emblem. And no wonder that in years to come, when the French were facing some of the darkest storms of their history, it was the iris they chose as a symbol of deliverance. It glittered in gold on the shields of Louis VII during the crusades of the twelfth century and it was then, presumably, that the nominal confusion began, for after him it became fleur-de-lis. After him it became fleur-de-lace and finally fleur-de-lis.

But of all the flowers that have woven themselves into the tapestry of history, and by doing so have enriched the background of our daily lives, none has been more rewarding than the rose. It is more than possible that the cup from which you drank your morning coffee had a motif of roses, and that when you walked into the dining room to get it, you walked on roses. Unless you live surrounded by reproduction Picassos and unless you think that the ultimate in decoration is a rubber plant, you will find, if you look around you, that it is “roses, roses, all the way.”

The reasons why the British annexed the rose as their national flower are somewhat obscure. (When you come to think of it, the reasons why the British annexed quite a number of things are equally obscure.) The Greeks might have claimed it. After all, if Venus had not run to the rescue of Adonis, and if she had not been caught in that thicket of white roses, so that her blood sprinkled them and mysteriously entered into the petals, we should never have had any
of them FIRST poses the origins of classic decorative motifs

red roses at all. The Persians might equally have claimed them. The rose is an essential element in the earliest Persian tiles, and that lovely seventeenth-century design "The Rose and the Nightingale" has been the inspiration of a thousand chintzes and wallpapers. The British, however, decided as early as the thirteenth century that the rose had British blood in its veins, and they would be more than faintly pained if you were to suggest that others had an equal right. And maybe their claim is as good as most. For the heraldic association of the rose with English royalty began in the thirteenth century, with Edward I, whose golden rose, in the pleasant parlance of heraldry, was "stalked proper." The rose of Henry IV was red, and that of Edward IV white, en soleil. But the most famous of all was "the Tudor rose," which you will find as a decorative convention in churches, ancient and modern, all over the world (and not only in churches, but in such secular establishments as cocktail bars). It doesn't look so very much like a rose nowadays, after all the mutations of the centuries, but that was how it began, with the inner row of petals white, the outer red, symbolizing the fusion of the Houses of York and Lancaster.

As an Englishman, I should be the last to quarrel with our claim to the rose, if only because of Shakespeare, who invested their petals with the magic of his poetry. Do you remember his musk rose which "over-canopied" the bank of wild thyme? And his damask . . . "their sweet commixture shown"? And throughout the whole range of the historical plays, few scenes have more power and tension than the dialogue between Plantagenet and Somerset that preludes the War of Roses.

Plantagenet: Now, Somerset, where is your argument? Somerset: Here, in my scabbard; meditating that shall dye your white rose in a bloody red. Plantagenet: Meantime, your cheeks do counterfeit our roses; for pale they look with fear . . . So please, if only for Shakespeare's sake, let the British keep their roses!

One does not often associate flowers and shrubs with comedy, particularly in a decorative association (although I must confess that whenever I look into the face of a snapdragon, with its cheeky grin, I can't help wondering what it is laughing at). But there is one extraordinary building in England which I can never visit without a smile. This is the flamboyant, outrageous and altogether enchanting Pavilion at Brighton, which was the crowning folly of the Prince Regent in the early nineteenth century. (One has often wished that modern royalty would be foolish in the same tradition, instead of spending so much money on all those horses.) If you wander into the Pavilion kitchens, which are as vast as a setting for the "Rheingold," you will immediately be struck by the roccoco beauty of the pillars, which are fashioned in the shape of gigantic palm trees. And thereby hangs a tale.

One summer day the Prince Regent, in one of his more benign and democratic moods, decided to visit the kitchens, where, as always, the fires were blazing, the spits were turning . . . and the scullions were sweating. No sooner had he crossed the threshold than he was overcome by heat and by pity. "This" he proclaimed to his entourage of mistresses "is really insupportable. None of my subjects should be obliged to work in such conditions. SOMETHING must be DONE." But it was before the days of air conditioning; extra windows would have been very expensive. And the royal purse was empty.

The prince had a brilliant idea. "Heat," so he observed to the aforesaid mistresses when they had retreated to the comparative freshness of the outdoors, "is largely a matter of the imagination." (Or words to that effect.) "If these poor scullions could only be made to imagine that they ought to be hot, that it was natural for them to be hot, all would be well. So what do we do? We create the illusion of a jungle. And we summon that brilliant architect Mr. Nash from London—he can take a special coach—and he will design for us the most exquisite pillars shaped like palm trees. The leaves must, of course, be thickly encrusted in gold leaf. And whenever the scullions look up to the ceiling, they will feel that they are in a jungle and that it is only right and proper for them to sweat. If they do not have these sentiments, they simply do not deserve to be scullions at all."

I have seen these same palm trees, in various decorative derivations, in places as far apart as the Prater in Vienna and an entertainment booth in Atlantic City. I suppose that there is something to be said for democracy: there must be, or so many obviously well-intentioned persons would not support it as a form of government. But I am quite convinced, when it is a question of decorative arts, that the world would present a far more pleasing appearance if it were exclusively controlled by a small collection of charming, spendthrift, esthetically ruthless autocrats such as the Prince Regent. For those palm trees really are very pretty indeed.

If only all history were written in flowers and petals, how very much pleasanter it would be! And if only our modern painters and designers could return to the original sources of all decoration, the blossom and the branch, how very much more beautiful would be the background of our lives.

BEVERLY NICHOLS is the author of numerous books that blend earthy advice (he urges gardening without gloves), diverting anecdotes and such admonitions as, "Listening to flowers is one of the most important of all the gardener's duties." His latest volume, "Garden Open Today" is in part a biography of the less-than-one-acre garden surrounding his rambling 1800 cottage in Surrey.
When you first think of an herb garden, you are most likely to think of plants in their simplest terms—leafy, sun-seeking, sweet-scented. Their charm seems less dependent on the color of their flowers than the textures and shadings of their foliage. A thousand years ago, of course, an herb garden was an apothecary's shop. Not now. Yet the remembered virtues of the plants still lend special magic to a fine garden of herbs, even if no ache is relieved nor any soup pot enriched by their contributions. Under the hand of a sympathetic and observant gardener, herbs come into their own, proving adequate to the demands of almost any planting design, however intricate or simple. The key to a good arrangement lies in the interplay of leaf forms and plant masses, in the variations on the basic foliage greens (from the deepest bronze to shimmering silver) and in the matchless fragrances that a summer day brings out.

It is a far cry from the opulence of the seashore borders, right, to the Euclidian severity of the knot garden, below right. But several of the same plants are important to both. They serve different purposes and are grown differently: artful naturalness in the one case becomes artfulness in the other.

**Classic garden design in monochrome**

The adaptability of the familiar herbs to a variety of planting patterns is matched by no ordinary list of flowers. In the seventeenth-century garden of the Halsey Homestead at Southampton, N. Y., above right, the design elements are the same as they might be for any hardy borders of comparable scale. Yet the effectiveness of the planting—to the eye, at least—depends on a single color, green. Bold green, modest green, dark green, light green, big waves of green and the smallest of green ripples. It is a rich palette with which to paint a pretty summertime picture. The species themselves are those you might have found in the cloisters of a medieval monastery and might also find today in the collection of any practiced herb fancier. They range from the amiable lamb's-ears at the right of the garden's entrance to the drifted sages, artemisias, lavenders in the farther beds. Edgings include thymes and sweet woodruff and santolinas. In all, more than twenty-five species are represented, and in this instance the mainstays are true perennials, some achieving the solid status almost of shrubs. While the Homestead itself was restored by the Colonial Society of the town, plantings are the province of the Southampton Garden Club, whose members maintain them with both dedication and virtuosity.

**Knot garden where geometry is king**

All is pattern and artifice in classic English knot gardens. In an Illinois version, right, over-all symmetry is modified by the over-and-under intricacies of the "strings" in the knot. Obviously flawless grooming is essential, and with such grooming a considerable variety of normally rather wayward herbs may acquire a starchy precision. Among the best of them, and the deepest green, germander takes close shearing well, as do santolina and artemisia at the lighter end of the spectrum. The pebbles help to set off the actual knot—keeping it both tidy and well tied.
SUMMER LIVING IN SOUTHAMPTON
where the spirit is traditional, the manner, sparkling and varied

Over the past two centuries, we have developed in this country a distinctive variety of summer community with a delightful pattern of living as unique as it is appealing. To Newport, Seal Harbor, Watch Hill and numerous other balmy spots from Maine to California, the same families, residents for decades, come back year after year to savor each other’s company in a style that is changeless yet ever-changing, buoyant yet relaxed. One of the most engaging of these summer havens is the onetime Long Island whaling village of Southampton. Most Southamptonites—although not all—are New Yorkers, and see almost as much of one another during the winter months as the hot ones. But in summer, their bloom is brighter, and since from June to October they are happily captive in a dune-capped cul-de-sac, their community feeling is intense and exceptional. In a town as tightly knit (if more dynastically) as Grover’s Corners, dowagers hobnob with young marrieds, splendid old gaffers play golf with youngsters, and the interim set—long since post-debutante, post-stag line, but still enormously gay—plays with everyone. They all enjoy one another and go to great pains to prove it by entertaining constantly—occasionally with considerable formality in flower-decked canvas pavilions pitched on the lawn, more often at the drop of a hat on verandas, terraces or smiling pool houses like the one on our cover.

In leafy lanes that once wound around the first settlers’ “dugout” houses (actually roofed-over cellars) the present generation dwells well above ground in an astonishing variety of homes. Some live in rambling old shingled “cottages” (shingles are seaside Long Island’s coat of mail) made more rambling still by additions which, although contemporary, never smack of newness. Others summer on stilts in sleek new beach houses, and others—if they are remodelers—in anything from a made-over carriage house to a converted windmill.

In Southampton, the senses are constantly titillated by the salty tang of the air, the almost quivering blueness and greenness of sky and foliage, the lake-borne flotilla of swans, the echoing smack, whang and clack of the golf course, the tennis courts, the croquet fields. For this is an athletic community—and a lively one. From one end of town to the other, the ambiance is one of gaiety—a brilliant whoosh that sweeps past the Historical Museum with its relics of days when the Shinnecocks taught settlers how to harpoon the whales so nobly aspout in the nearby Atlantic; through Job’s Lane with its glittering boutiques; on to the Meadow Club where tennis is played on turf or The Bathing Corporation (like their grandparents, Southamptonites don’t swim, they bathe); then up one lane or another to a house where tea may be passed by a footman or to one where guests may feel quite free to grill their own hamburgers.

Luncheon in Southampton is a pretty rite, and, in fair weather, alfresco. A table circling a tree, opposite page, is Mr. and Mrs. William K. Laughlin’s favorite spot in which to regale guests with a cold bird, a colder bottle and a view of the rose garden—an enchanting acre guarded by topiary swans and foxes clipped from privet. Before lunch, the guests may have bicycled to services at the Church in the Dunes, 1; wheeling down Main Street past the planters of white petunias, 2, it wears like boutonnieres; past the Halsey Homestead, 3, oldest house in New York State; past the Emperor’s Sculpture Garden, 4, an allée of noble Romans outside the Parrish Museum. Later in the day, aficionados, 5, gather for a whack at the town’s favorite and most cutthroat game—croquet. All week long (but never on Sundays), Caldwell Alexander’s shop in Job’s Lane, 6, offers everything from giant paper flowers to Meissen cats.
Southampton loves to entertain

Something parties are as intimate as a luncheon for four

Mrs. Harold Johnson sets the scene in a flower-laden bay added to one end of her dining room to give more light, more elbowroom for the plants she loves. The black slate floor makes good greenhouse sense; flowers and view make the bay also a heaven-sent spot for breakfast. Interior by McMillen.

Dances are preceded by candlelit dinner parties

Instead of a traditional dining room, Mrs. William Green has a glass-walled, brick-paved, chintz-hung garden room big enough for two tables—one oblong, one round, six-seaters each. Tonight, someone is giving a dance, and Mrs. Green is giving a dinner. Guests will have sherry or something livelier on a porch around the corner, then sit down to the panoply of service plates and finger bowls—a formal dinner in an informal room, and, by contrast, fun.
When the Robert McGowans give a pre-dance dinner, they turn their pretty dining room into a little café—elegant, gay, sizable enough to offer thirty-odd guests unjostled comfort. Auxiliary tables (each seats six) and folding chairs painted turquoise blue are brought out of hiding and set up in each corner. The big table seats ten—more if it must—and like the Delft and Lowestoft studding the walls, all trappings except the Creil butter plates are one blue or another—plus white.

Faced with the long drive back to New York, Southamptonites who work in the city are apt to entertain no one on Sunday nights but themselves and a house guest or two. The Hugh Virgil Sherrills are such a pair, often sit down to such simple fare as spaghetti and salad. But Mrs. Sherrill believes in feeding the inner man, too, and few hostesses set a prettier table. Fond of blue and white, she uses brightly checked mats and napkins, pansies clustered in white doves around an old glass epergne, funny little blue-and-white hens for salt shakers, and—for a soft shift in color as well as a potable—individual decanters of wine at each plate. Interior design by McMillen, Inc.
Southampton remolds: three adventurous exampl...continued

Lovingly, Southamptonites are apt to speak of their town as having no architecture, an epithet undeserved by Mrs. Archibald Brown's house, left, perhaps because it was once a private theatre approached, then and now, through a forecourt guarded by carved falcons. Remodeled by the late Mr. Brown (who designed the original theatre), the auditorium is now a splendid living-dining room, above, 40-feet square with a 20-foot ceiling. In what could seem almost awesome space, Mrs. Brown, using her skill as a professional interior designer, has arranged her furniture to create a charming sense of intimacy. All pictures are hung below eye level, and she has permitted herself only one bravura gesture—a Raoul Dufy tapestry that adorns one wall, opposite page, like a great banner. Understandably, she can say of the room, "I am never lonely here."
In more leisurely days, Southampton went calling in gigs and phaetons kept (with Dobbin) in carriage houses so well built that inventive souls today find them wonderfully amenable to remodeling. Mr. and Mrs. Sander Simon's "Barn Yesterday" top, was redesigned by architect George Mili-tizer. Half old, half new, the dual-level living room, above, is partly beamed and bisected by a row of supporting posts. Dark slate paves the entire area to make the two halves an entity. The same black-and-white damask sparkles in each section and sand gray barn siding lines the entire perimeter. Since the windows are working doors to terraces, they and their transoms are screened with louvers to control privacy, sunlight, air. Interior design: Janet Martin Langerman; Koral Bros., contractors.
A windmill into a manoir

From one end of the Hamptons to the other, the skyline is periodically broken by the perky silhouettes of windmills, one or two still grinding grain, some (pretty relics) just sitting, and others, like Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Nadal's, left, augmented and lived in. Octagonal, the Nadals' old curio proved an interesting shape for a downstairs study and, above it, the master bedroom. Then a new veranda was wrapped around the mill like a village-square bandstand. The rest of the house consists of two added wings, one of them, above, the living room. In glossy contrast to the sleepy rusticity of the exterior, the room is extremely urbane with quite a lot of French furniture and a dashing black-and-white floor. Symmetrically, there are two of everything—sofas, tables, chairs and garden-framing windows.
Designed for relaxation broken only by the excitement of five aces, Mrs. William Greve's card room was once an old side porch—screened, shingled and sedate. This regime came to an end in an inspired outburst of refurbishing: Walls were plastered, a new floor laid, a glass wall of sliding doors installed. Dressed in white and soft new greens, the room now billets the card table at one end, a conversation group at the other—an overflow cozy corner for the living room next door. Interior designer: McMillen, Inc.

Colorful and cock-a-hoop amid Southampton's shingled stateliness, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Addison’s dune house is as contemporary as modern design can make it. On the upper floor (the four children's bedrooms, playroom, second kitchen lie at foot of staircase) is a living-dining-cooking room paneled in cypress, floored in oak—the two cool, glimmering woods spiced by the sizzle of brilliant color in the fabrics on the chairs and dining banquette. Interior design: John Rieck of Valerian Rybar.
The out-of-doors—a mural hard to beat—is as much a part of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Jefferson Jr.'s living room as the peaked and raftered ceiling. The sweeping glass wall makes the landscape of garden, terrace and lake almost a room next door.

Designed in the Southampton dowager tradition, a somberly paneled living room became a debutante when it was treated to an ocean of white paint and vivid linen. The quaint bays make balcony seats for the garden-stage outside. Interior by Pierre Scapula.

Each house has a different motif: heirlooms or closeness to nature, relaxation or practicality

Once a nondescript little porch, now a grass-girdled beauty, Mrs. Harry Payne Bingham's garden room is a winning argument for the coolness, charm and elegance of a room decorated entirely in blue and white. Interior design by McMillen, Inc.

Two wonderful beds, old testers that had belonged to the Robert McGowans' respective families, are so sentimentally cherished that a new wing was added especially for them. Unidentical but harmonious, they are the oldest twins in town.
Family heirlooms in Mr. and Mrs. William K. Laughlin's entrance hall say "come in" in the earliest American way. Old porcelain, old portraits and two salt-of-the-earth chairs spell the welcome. Interior design: Mimi Rand of Jessup, Inc.

Its color scheme inspired by a heavenly old Persian rug, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson's library has persimmon woodwork (one of the rug's reds, stepped up) and a chintz chosen for its almost identical palette. Interior design by McMillen, Inc.

But they are all akin in spirit and in the way they capture and hold the lighthearted essence of summer

The central pavilion of a tripartite house, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Lufkin's dining-kitchen is new, slick, sturdy as nails —and fun. Glass fiber curtains laugh at sun and salt air. Architect: E. C. Collins III; contractor, M. Clarke Smith.

Poster-vivid, Ambassador and Mrs. Angier Biddle Duke's little sitting room manages to be cozy, crisp and comfortable—all at one time. Although designed for relaxation, the room could never harbor torpor: The color scheme nips ennui in the bud.
Southampton loves its gardens
Gardeners' pleasures are by no means limited to grand effects or to horticultural exercises. A counterclockwise helix of English ivy is but one of the decorative and cheerful conceits that make the William Greens' brick-paved veranda eminently livable.

The true gardener's hand and eye are revealed in Mrs. Abbott's flower borders, right. The windproof hedge sets the height of the plants, but knowing skill arranges the flowers like a summer necklace.

A swimming pool by the sea may seem like abundance in the midst of plenty, yet it is typical of the Southampton scene. Mrs. Paul Abbott's pool lies between her garden and the dunes.

Privet, right,—the topiarist's delight in this moist sea-buffered climate—flanks gateway to Mr. and Mrs. William K. Laughlin's garden.

The monumental glory of the Laughlin garden, below, is brought into sharp focus by an asymmetrical corridor of clipped privet. At the base of the graceful shaft, memorializing beauty, are a few crowns of hosta; half-hidden, a solitary fern.

Some people clothe trellises with vines, some make vine trellises. The Greens, just with ivy, do both.

The sometimes fine, often playful art of potted topiary acquires a grace and mobility that the Laughlins make an entertaining point of.
Frigidaire has built a new dishwasher for people with phones in the kitchen. (It's quiet)

If it weren't for Germany, France could claim to have a full hand of all the best table wines in the world. For great as the white wines of Burgundy are, great as the white wines of the Loire are becoming, there is one style of wine at which France plays second fiddle to Germany. It is the delicate, grapy, subtle type of white wine from vineyards under a northern sun. The wines of Alsace are France's answer to Germany on this score.

France's northernmost vineyards are those of Champagne. They produce wine which, although different in character, is of the same family as Burgundy. The same grapes are grown on similar soft-contoured hills. The wine has plenty of alcohol and body; age improves it; it is dry, full of flavor, modestly scented. Compare it with German wine: They are worlds apart. The German is sweet-and-sour, a nosegay, a long, light, thirst-quenching drink. Even the sweetest and richest of German wines keep a refreshing balance of acidity. German wine smells sweet, like flowers; French has the rich sappiness of something good happening in the kitchen.

Like most of the greatest of Germany's vineyards, the vineyards of Alsace lie on the slopes of the Rhine valley and their wines are in the German style, with French character and flair. All are white and all are dry, yet within those limitations a wide variety of flavors makes one or another of them suitable for drinking on most occasions. They range from the sort of wine you like to take down to the beach and cool at the water's edge—a light open-air drink—to a graver matter for sipping and discussing with friends. Above all they are the wines of summer. There is no better drink in the middle or at the end of a hot day.

Alsace is an electrifyingly pretty country despite a history of wars, treaties and more wars. Before the last World War, which left two-thirds of its villages in ruins, it must have been even prettier. Narrow lanes wind among the green vine-stakes, hop-pole tall, to farms with an almost unreal Disneyland air. There is a stage-set perfection in Colmar, the great wine market town, and Riquewihr, the most perfect survival of a wine village. Cobblestone courtyards, flowerers, fountains are everywhere.

The recent history of the country, which is what concerns a wine lover, has been the change back, in practice as well as spirit (for the French spirit in Alsace never flagged), to being French. The Franco-Prussian war of 1870 left Alsace a French province in German hands. It had no German inclinations; it was booty of war. Germany provided a market for the bulk of its everyday wine, in German called _konsumwein_ and in French _vin de consommation_, which in a country as ideally suited for wine-growing as Alsace is all too easy to make. Inferior strains of vine, notable for nothing but a vast profusion of grapes year after year, could profitably be grown. No encouragement came from the Germans, who had no wish for a rival to their own great vineyards of the Rhine and Moselle and no intention to improve quality by care and the planting of noble strains.

In 1919, when France reclaimed her own amid great rejoicing, the situation changed. The market lay to the west instead of the east. France was, and is, awash with ordinary, anonymous, undistinguished and very cheap wine. The Midi produces it by the tanker-truck load. Alsace could not compete in a market where her products were no better, less known and slightly more expensive than the popular brands. She had to resort to quality as her way out of a commercial crisis.

The first step to be taken was the replacing of the old coarse, heavy-bearing vines with superior strains. The greater care that was needed in the vineyards, combined with immensely reduced harvests, made it a difficult business requiring faith and the leadership of the established wine merchants.

The noble vines planted in place of the old varieties were the Riesling, the Traminer, the Muscat, the Pinot and the Sylvaner. Of these, the Riesling is the acknowledged king. All of Germany's greatest wines, without exception, are Rieslings. It is not a prolific vine and it needs nursing at times, but it can take winters slowly and steadily into the mellow days of autumn and the fruit that it yields has a delicacy with which nothing can compare. Continued on page 136
How will vodka coexist with the fresh, tart taste of Sprite? Exuberantly!

Try a Mad Russian. The alive, yet subtle taste of Sprite gets vodka doing things you never knew it would do. Sprite is tart. Naturally tart for adult tastes. Add a slice of lemon or lime. And a cherry. (Red, of course.) Will the Mad Russian become the People’s Drink? Definitely da!
Cold Beet Soup

3 pound small beets
1 quart or more fresh buttermilk, chilled ice cold
1/2 teaspoon dill salt or to taste
1 tablespoon finely cut fresh dill

Place the beets, a few at a time, with their juice in the electric blender and blend to a smooth liquid. Stir in the chilled buttermilk. Season with dill salt. Mix well and chill thoroughly. To serve, pour into well-chilled cups and garnish with the finely cut fresh dill. Serves 6-8.

Cold Cucumber and Buttermilk Soup

2 small tender cucumbers, peeled and finely diced
16 ice cubes
7/8 cup seedless raisins
1 quart fresh buttermilk
Dill salt, coarsely ground pepper to taste

Place the cucumbers in a bowl, cover with the ice cubes and allow to soak for about 2 hours. Meanwhile wash the raisins and cut each one in half with scissors. Chill 6 soup cups in the refrigerator until ready to assemble and serve the soup. Drain the cucumbers thoroughly. Add the raisins and buttermilk. Season with dill salt and a dash of coarsely ground pepper. Serve in the chilled cups. Serves 6.

Potage Batwinia

6 ounces (about 1/2 cups) stemmed, thoroughly washed spinach
6 ounces (about 1/2 cups) stemmed, thoroughly washed sorrel leaves
2 tablespoons butter
1 small tender cucumber, peeled and finely diced
1 small white onion or 1 large shallot, finely chopped
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh tarragon leaves
7 ice cubes
1 cup dry white wine, chilled
Salt to taste (about 1/2 teaspoon)
1/2 teaspoon dill salt
2 1/2 teaspoons sugar
IV2 tablespoon chopped parsley

Combining the spinach, sorrel leaves and butter in a covered pan and cook slowly over low heat for about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cool. Place the cucumber, onion and tarragon in three separate containers and add 1 ice cube to each. Cover the containers tightly with a plastic wrap and refrigerate until ready to use.

Place the cooled greens in the electric blender and blend to a puree, or rub them through a fine sieve with a wooden spoon. Add the white wine and 1 cup cold water and stir well. Season with salt, the dill salt and sugar. Chill until ready to serve. Then add the prepared chilled cucumber, onion and tarragon with the melted ice from the containers. Crush the remaining 6 ice cubes, add to the soup and stir well. Serve at once in well-chilled bouillon cups. Serves 4-6.

Cold Shrimp Soup with Dill

1 pound small shrimp, cooked, shelled, cleaned and cut fine
1 large, tender young cucumber, peeled and diced
1 cup peeled, seeded and diced ripe tomatoes
1 quart fresh buttermilk
Salt, pepper to taste
Dash Tabasco
2 tablespoons finely cut fresh dill

Mix together the shrimp, cucumber, tomatoes, buttermilk and seasonings, cover and chill overnight. To serve, pour into well-chilled cups and garnish with the finely cut fresh dill. Serves 6-8.

Iced Curry Soup

3 tablespoons butter
1/2 tablespoon flour
1 tablespoon curry powder
6 cups hot clear chicken broth
3 egg yolks
1/2 cup light cream
1/2 teaspoon powdered ginger
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Melt the butter in the top part of a double boiler over low heat. Stir in the flour and curry powder. Add the hot broth gradually, bring to a simmer and cook 10 minutes. Beat together the egg yolks and cream and gradually stir into the hot broth. Place over boiling water and cook, stirring constantly, until thickened, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat, add the ginger and stir well. Cool and refrigerate for several hours. Serve in well-chilled bouillon cups, garnished with parsley.
Seafood

Lobster Mayonnaise

comme à Paris

3 cups mayonnaise
1 cup very finely chopped watercress
1 tablespoon chopped fresh tarragon
3-4 pounds cold boiled lobster, shelled
and cut in uniform pieces
6 tomatoes, peeled, quartered and chilled

Pack a glass bowl in another bowl of crushed ice. Combine 2 cups of the mayonnaise with the watercress and tarragon and arrange in the glass bowl. Reserve about 1 pound of the most perfect lobster pieces and arrange the remaining 2-3 pounds lobster over the mayonnaise. Cover with the remaining 1 cup mayonnaise and then the reserved lobster. Garnish with the tomatoes. Serve with French or Italian bread and a very well-chilled white wine. Serves 6-8.

Cold Boiled Codfish

with Cold Saffron Sauce

2 white onions, sliced
2 carrots
Several sprigs parsley
3/4 cup dry white wine
1/2 teaspoon thyme
1 bay leaf
1/2 teaspoon peppercorns
4 teaspoons salt
4-pound slice fresh coldfish
6 large ripe tomatoes
2 leeks
2 medium-size onions, finely chopped
6 tablespoons olive oil
2 cloves garlic, crushed
1 teaspoon coarsely ground pepper
1 teaspoon powdered saffron
2 lemons
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Prepare a court bouillon by combining the white onion, carrots, parsley sprigs, 4 cups of the wine, 4 cups water, thyme, bay leaf, peppercorns and 1 teaspoon of the salt in an enamel fish boiler and boiling about 30 minutes. Wash the fish in cold water, wrap in cheesecloth and place in the hot court bouillon. Cook gently for about 40 minutes. Cool in the liquid. Discard cheesecloth, remove skin and all the bones, keeping the fish in as large pieces as possible. Arrange fish on a platter and cool. Wrap platter in wax paper and refrigerate until ready to serve.

To make saffron sauce, dip the tomatoes in boiling water and then remove the skin. Cut the tomatoes in half crosswise and remove the seeds. Place in a wooden bowl and chop fine. Remove green part from leeks, split white part in half lengthwise and wash carefully. Chop finely. Cook the chopped onions and leeks in the olive oil until they just begin to brown, stirring with a wooden spoon. Add the garlic and the chopped tomatoes. Cook 2 minutes, then add the remaining 1/2 cup white wine and 1/2 cup water. Season to taste with about 3 teaspoons salt, or less if you prefer, the coarsely ground pepper and saffron. Simmer 10-15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove the sauce from the heat and allow to cool before placing in the refrigerator to chill thoroughly.

When ready to serve, pour the cold saffron sauce over the fish and garnish with the lemon and parsley. Serve with crisp French bread, whipped butter and a good dry well-chilled white wine. Serves 6-8.

Poisson à la Mexicaine

1 fine striped bass, about 7-8 pounds
when cleaned
2 lemons
1/2 cup olive oil
8 large ripe tomatoes, sliced
3 yellow onions, finely sliced
4 large green peppers
1/2 ounce canned pitted ripe olives, drained
3 bay leaves, crushed fine
2 teaspoons thyme
2 teaspoons paprika
1/4 teaspoon cayenne
1/2 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
2 teaspoons salt
1 small bunch parsley
6 ounce can tomato paste

Have the fish cleaned and head removed at the fish store; keep the head but have the eyes removed. Wash the fish carefully in cold water, then rub the inside with 1 cut lemon. Rub the bottom of a shallow baking pan 1/2" by 9" by 3 1/2", preferably enameled-lined, with some olive oil and place the fish and the head in the pan. Trickle 1/2 cup olive oil over the fish. Cover the fish with the sliced tomatoes, then add the onion. Split 3 of the green peppers in half, remove the seeds, wash and slice finely. Place on top of the onion. Add the olives and sprinkle with the bay leaves, thyme, paprika, cayenne, pepper and salt. Tuck the parsley into one corner of the pan.

Bake in a preheated 425° oven for 1 hour, basting occasionally with the juice from the fish. Remove from the oven, carefully lift fish with two spatulas onto a fish platter and gently pull off the skin. Turn over and remove skin from other side. Now carefully lift the fish off, exposing the backbone; pull this away. Also pull out all the bones you can find, then replace the flesh you took off and reshape the fish as neatly as possible on its platter. Drain any juices there may be on the platter and add it to the vegetables left in the baking dish with the skin and bones. Add the tomato paste. Fill the tomato paste can with water, stir to dissolve any remaining paste, and add this to the vegetables with 1 more cup water. Place the pan over low heat and simmer gently for 1 hour or a little longer, stirring occasionally to prevent the mixture from sticking.

When the fish has cooled, wipe the edges of the platter carefully and cover platter with wax paper to prevent the fish from drying out. Chill fish in refrigerator.

To make the sauce remove and reserve all the olives. Remove the large fish bone and head and strain the vegetables through a large sieve placed over a large pan, pressing with a wooden spoon or potato masher to extract all the juice and pulp possible. Cool and chill this sauce in the refrigerator, watching it carefully. When sauce is about to jell, skim off fat. Spoon sauce over the fish and spread the jelly has set. Cut the remaining pepper into thin rings and the remaining lemon into quarters. Use green pepper rings, quartered lemon and the olives to garnish fish. Serve with a crisp green salad with a tart French dressing. Hot buttered French bread is good with this, and a good, not too dry, well-chilled white wine. Serves 6-8.

Shellfish in Aspic

with Watercress Sauce

This pretty, cool summer dish is a variation of one of my favorite recipes from "The June Platt Cook Book," published by Alfred A. Knopf.

1 pound fish bones and trimmings
4 tablespoons butter
1 small onion, chopped fine
Bouquet of parsley, bay leaf, 1/2 teaspoon thyme
5 peppercorns
2 cups white wine
Salt, freshly ground pepper to taste
1/2 pound raw white fish, finely chopped
1 lemon, white part only
1 egg shell, crushed
1 egg white, slightly beaten
1/2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin
1/2 dozen shrimp, boiled, deveined and shelled
1/2 pound cooked crab meat, well picked over
1 pound boiled lobster meat, cut into bite-size pieces
2 bunches watercress
Juice of 1 lemon
1 tablespoon tarragon vinegar
8 tablespoons olive oil

To prepare the fish aspic, sauté the bones and trimmings in the butter for a minute or two, add the onion, bouquet and 4 peppercorns and cook gently 8 minutes longer. Add 2 cups water and 1 1/2 cups of the white wine and salt to taste. Simmer, skimming carefully, for 1/2 hour, then strain through a fine sieve. Add the white fish to the fish broth. Split the leek lengthwise, wash carefully and cut crosswise. Add to the broth. Add the crushed egg shell and the slightly beaten egg white. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly, and simmer 20 minutes. Strain through a fine sieve lined with a clean wet cloth. Dissolve the gelatin in the remaining 1/2 cup wine and stir into the broth. There should be 2 1/2 cups of the mixture. Cool and refrigerate until the aspic is about to set.

Melt a small amount of this aspic slightly and pour into a 6-cup fish mold. Tip the mold around to coat it evenly with the aspic and refrigerate until set. When set, place 1 large pepper on the eye of the "fish" and secure with 1/2 teaspoon aspic. Split the shrimp lengthwise with a silver knife and place in the bottom of the mold to imitate the scales of the fish. Then dribble a little more of the aspic over the shrimp and chill. Melt the mold with the crab meat and lobster meat. Melt the remaining aspic slightly and gradually spoon it into the mold. Refrigerate until firm.

Just before serving, prepare the watercress sauce. Wash and remove the big stems from the watercress. Shake dry and chop fine. Add to the lemon juice, vinegar and olive oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

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Quick Tuna Fish Mousse

2 tender cucumbers, peeled
Crushed ice
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
1/2 cup bottled clam juice
Juice of 1/2 lemon
1/2 teaspoon salt
7-ounce can water-packed white tuna, well drained and flaked
1/2 cup light cream
1 tablespoon or more finely cut fresh dill
1/2 cup sour cream with chopped dill, salt and pepper to taste (optional)

Peel the cucumbers in crushed ice. Soak the gelatin in the clam juice in the top part of a small double boiler. Place over boiling water until clear and dissolved. Cool slightly, add the lemon juice and salt and place in the electric blender. Cover the blender and run for 40 seconds, adding the tuna fish and continue blending. If necessary, turn on blender, and pull mixture from sides of container to center with a rubber scraper. Remove the cover and gradually add the light cream, followed by 1/2 cup crushed ice. When the ice has melted completely and the mixture is smooth, pour immediately into four 1/2 cup fish molds, rinsed in cold water. Refrigerate until set, or for about 20 minutes.

In the meantime, score the cucumbers lengthwise with the prongs of a silver fork and slice fine. Unmold the fish molds on individual chilled plates, garnish with the sliced cucumbers and sprinkle with the dill. Serve with or without sour cream to which you have added additional fresh dill, a pinch of salt and some freshly ground pepper. Serves 4.

Tuna Fish and Cucumber Gelatin

1 tender young cucumber, peeled
1 cup crushed ice
1 package celery flavor salad gelatin
7 ice cubes
7-ounce can water-packed white tuna, well drained and flaked
1 cup Sour Cream Dressing

Bury the cucumber in the crushed ice for 1 hour. Drain thoroughly and cut into small cubes. Prepare the gelatin with 7 ice cubes following the directions on the box. Refrigerate until about to set. Mix the cucumber and tuna fish together and place in a chilled 1-quart mold. Spoon the gelatin over all and refrigerate until firm. Turn out on a chilled plate and serve accompanied by Sour Cream Dressing. Serves 6.

Cold Chicken Curry

2 young roasting chickens, 4-5 pounds, cut for fricassee
10 tablespoons butter
1 jigger brandy
2 large Bermuda onions, quartered and thinly sliced
Salt, pepper
2 tablespoons curry powder
2 cups heavy cream
3 lemons, parsley for garnish

Wash and thoroughly dry the chickens. Melt 8 tablespoons of the butter in a large frying pan and brown the chicken pieces lightly on both sides. Place an iron cocotte over a very low flame or, better still, on an asbestos mat over a low flame and add the remaining 2 tablespoons butter. As they brown, transfer the pieces to the cocotte. When all the chicken has been transferred, heat the brandy, pour over the chicken and set ablaze. When it has burned out, cover the chicken with the sliced onion and sprinkle with salt and pepper.

Add 1/2 cup water to the frying pan and stir over a low flame to melt the brown residue in the pan to a clear gravy. Pour this over the chicken, cover tightly and simmer gently until the chicken is cooked through and about to fall off the bones, about 1 1/2 hours. By this time the onion should be cooked down and the chicken immersed in a rich sauce. Sprinkle the chicken with the curry powder and bustle well. Remove from the heat and cool until the chicken may be handled. Then remove the chicken from the cocotte and take the meat from the bones. Discard the skin, gristle and bones. Cut the breasts in half lengthwise and lay these symmetrically over the bottom of an oblong glass 6" by 10" by 2" baking dish. Add the rest of the meat, distributing it evenly over the breasts.

Add the heavy cream to the onion and butter juices remaining in the cocotte. Stir well, place over a low flame and heat just to the boiling point but do not allow the cream to boil. Taste for seasoning and add more salt if necessary. When the sauce is heated through, place a colander over a large pan and strain out the onions. Press gently with a wooden spoon to extract all the cream. Pour this creamy sauce over the chicken in the dish. It should cover the chicken completely and fill the dish. Cool, cover with aluminum foil and place in the refrigerator until well chilled and set like custard.

When ready to serve, run a knife carefully around the edge of the dish. Dip the dish into a shallow pan of hot water for a few seconds to loosen the bottom, then turn out carefully onto a large oval platter. Garnish with quartered lemons and crisp parsley. Serve accompanied by a bowl of crisp romaine broken into small pieces, dressed with a good French dressing and seasoned with finely chopped fresh parsley and tarragon. Serves 6-8.

Chicken Breasts in Aspic

6 whole chicken breasts
5 1/2-cup cans jellied chicken consomme (or 8 cups home-made broth)
6 stalks celery
6 carrots
3 large yellow onions
1 small bay leaf
2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
1 egg white, slightly beaten
2 dozen fresh tarragon leaves, washed

Wash the chicken, place in a large pan and cover with the consomme or broth diluted with 2 cups water. Place over moderate heat and bring broth slowly to simmering point, about 1/2 hour. Skim carefully. Add the vegetables and bay leaf, cover partially and cook until tender, about 1 1/2 hours. Cool the broth slightly and remove the chicken. Pull the meat away from the bones in large pieces as possible, discarding skins.

Strain the broth, cool and refrigerate until fat rises to surface. Skim off the fat and strain the broth through cheesecloth wrung out in cold water. This should make about 7 cups. Soak the gelatin in 1/2 cup cold water for 5 minutes. Add the slightly beaten egg white to the broth, place over heat and bring to a lively boil, stirring constantly with a wire whip. Remove from heat and allow to cool 5 minutes. Strain once more through a fine sieve lined with a wet cloth. Add the soaked gelatin and stir until completely dissolved. Cool and refrigerate until about to set.

In the meantime arrange the chicken breasts on a large platter and pour over them a little of the gelatin broth to prevent them from drying out. Dip the tarragon leaves in and out of the setting gelatin and decorate the breasts. Place the platter in the refrigerator to set leaves, then pour the remainder of the gelatin over all. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Serves 6.
Cold Ham Mousse

4 envelopes unflavored gelatin
3 cups beef consommé
1/2 cup Madeira wine
Apple juice of 1/2 lemon
Salt, pepper to taste
8 ice cubes
1 tablespoon butter
4 teaspoons flour
1/2 cup milk
1-pound, 8-ounce can boneless smoked ham
1/2-pound, 8-ounce can ham
2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin
1 cup heavy cream

Prepare a Madeira aspic: Soak the gelatin in 1 cup cold water. Heat the consommé to the boiling point, add the soaked gelatin and stir until well dissolved. Flavor with the Madeira wine and lemon juice and season with salt. Add 8 ice cubes and continue stirring until melted. Pour 1 1/2 cups of the aspic (you will need about 4 cups) into a shallow rectangular glass dish. Pour 1 cup aspic into a 3-cup charlotte mold and refrigerate both molds. Allow the remaining 1 1/2 cups aspic to stand at room temperature. Melt the butter in a small enamel pan, blend in the flour and remove the pan from the heat. Gradually add the milk and cook slowly, stirring constantly, until the sauce is smooth and thickened. Season with salt and pepper. Cool. Cut the ham into small chunks, discarding all fat, gristle and jelly. This should give you about 14 ounces of meat. Put the ham through a food mill and blend to a smooth paste, moistening it as you blend with the remaining 1 1/2 cups aspic. Gradually add the cooled, firm cream sauce. It will be necessary from time to time, when the mixture stops blending, to turn off the motor and pull the mixture from the sides of the container to the center with a rubber bottle scraper. When ready to serve, run a spatula carefully around the edge of the mold, being sure it touches the bottom, and turn the mold upside down onto a round, chilled serving platter. Place a cloth wrung out in hot water on top of the mold for a second or two to facilitate its removal. Cut the aspic into the rectangular dish into 1/2" cubes and arrange around the mouse. Chill until serving time. Serves 6-8.

Jellied Duck à l'Orange

2 Long island ducks, 5-6 pounds
Salt, coarsely ground pepper
3 naval oranges
Juice of 1 large lemon
12-ounce can marinade
12-ounce can clear chicken broth
1 1/2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin
1 bunch watercress

Clean the ducks and wipe inside and out with a damp cloth or paper toweling. Sprinkle the caviar with salt and pepper. Preheat oven to 350°. Place ducks side by side in a roasting pan and roast until very tender, about 2 1/2-3 hours. Pour off the fat after they have cooked 1 hour and again in another hour. Remove from pan when done and cool; then remove all the meat from the bones in as large pieces as possible, cutting each breast into 4 pieces. Discard all skin, fat and undesirable pieces. Sprinkle lightly with salt, cover with a plate, and chill.

In the meantime, remove the thin outer rind from 1 of the naval oranges, using a sharp knife. Place it in a cup and pour the lemon juice over it. Cover and place in refrigerator until ready to use for flavoring the aspic. Remove white pith left on the orange and cut the rind and white pith from the 2 remaining oranges. Then cut between the sections of the 3 oranges with a sharp knife, removing the pulp in half-moon-shaped pieces. Chill.

Place the ground ham in the electric blender and blend to a smooth paste, moistening it as you blend with the remaining 1/4 cups aspic. Gradually add the cooled, firm cream sauce. It will be necessary from time to time, when the mixture stops blending, to turn off the motor and pull the mixture from the sides of the container to the center with a rubber bottle scraper. When the entire mixture is blended to a smooth paste, spread it into a bowl surrounded by crushed ice. Whip the heavy cream until just stiff, being careful not to overbeat, and fold it carefully and gradually into the ham mixture. Spoon into the charlotte mold and press gently to remove air pockets. Cover the mold with wax paper and refrigerate until firm, preferably overnight.

When ready to serve, run a spatula carefully around the edge of the mold, being sure it touches the bottom, and turn the mold upside down onto a round, chilled serving platter. Place a cloth wrung out in hot water on top of the mold for a second or two to facilitate its removal. Cut the aspic into the rectangular dish into 1/2" cubes and arrange around the mouse. Chill until serving time. Serves 6-8.

Cucumber and Green Pepper Salad

1 bunch watercress
2 tender young cucumbers, peeled and sliced paper thin
2 small green peppers
Cracked ice
1 cup French dressing

Wash the watercress, discard the tough stems, wrap in a wet cloth and refrigerate. Soak the cucumbers for 2 hours in ice water. Wash the green peppers; remove stem end, scoop out seeds and slice in rings. Cover the pepper slices with cracked ice until ready to serve. Add 1 tablespoon of cracked ice to the French dressing and stir well. Arrange the watercress on 6 well-chilled plates. Drain the cucumbers well and place on the watercress. Garnish with the green peppers. Pour the French dressing over all, distributing it evenly. Serve at once, accompanied by crisp heated French bread and sweet butter. Serves 6.

Cucumber Gelatin Salad

1 bunch watercress
2 packages mixed vegetable flavor salad gelatin
2 cups boiling water
14 ice cubes
2 small tender cucumbers, peeled and cut in small cubes
French dressing

Wash the watercress, discard the tough stems, wrap in a wet cloth and refrigerate. Prepare the salad gelatin with 2 cups boiling water and 14 ice cubes, following directions on the package. Drain juice, if any, from the cucumbers and add them to the gelatin when it begins to thicken. Pour the gelatin into six 1-cup molds and refrigerate until ready to serve. Turn out on well-chilled plates and garnish with the watercress. Pass the French dressing separately. Serves 6.

Salads

Avocado Aspic Salad

3/4 cup finely diced inner stalks of celery
Ice cubes
1 small raw potato, peeled and cut in half
1 package mixed vegetable flavor salad gelatin
2 cups boiling water
1 large ripe avocado, peeled and sliced
1/4 teaspoon salt
Juice of 1 lemon, strained
2 teaspoons onion juice
1 pimiento, cut in small pieces
2 teaspoons tarragon vinegar
2 scant tablespoons sugar
1 package celery flavor salad gelatin
1 head Boston lettuce, washed, dried and crisped

Cover the diced celery with plenty of ice cubes and 1 cup cold water. Add the potato (this, for some reason, makes the celery crispier). Chill for 1/2 hour. Meanwhile, prepare the mixed vegetable flavor salad gelatin following package directions, using 1 cup boiling water and 7 ice cubes. When gelatin is about to set, pour into a 1-quart ring mold and refrigerate until set, about 1/2 hour. Drain the celery well, pat dry on paper towels and add to the avocado. Sprinkle with the salt, lemon juice, onion juice, pimiento, vinegar and sugar. Spread this mixture over the set gelatin and refrigerate. Prepare the celery flavor gelatin following package directions, using 1 cup boiling water and 7 ice cubes. Pour over the vegetables in the mold and refrigerate until firm, about 2 hours.

When ready to serve, run knife around edge of mold and turn out onto a large deep round platter. Surround the gelatin with the lettuce leaves and serve on well-chilled plates. Serves 6.

Compact gadget for frosty desserts

Electric dessert freezer that makes sherbets or half a gallon of ice cream automatically, fits neatly onto shelf of refrigerator freezing compartment, dispensing with rock-salt-and-ice routine. Card which plugs into kitchen outlet is protected by rubber gaskets on closed door of refrigerator.
**Family-size equipment for ice cream devotees**

A steady supply of home-made ice cream is an easy matter with these efficient freezers, each of which can turn out 4 quarts. At left is ice-cream-making attachment for Kitchen-Aid electric mixer. Center freezer is hand operated; model at right is electric. For struggle-free serving, scoop and spade at left contain sealed-in antifreeze; ice cream baliier has a squeeze handle; scoops in center are coated with nonstick Teflon.

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**Desserts, Fruits**

### French Vanilla Ice Cream

2" piece of vanilla bean
1 cup sugar
3 eggs
1 quart heavy cream
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 pint milk

Split the vanilla bean, scrape the soft black center into the sugar and mix well. Beat the eggs until light in the large bowl of the electric mixer. Gradually beat in at high speed the vanilla sugar. When the mixture is light and creamy, stir, in by hand with a large spoon the heavy cream, vanilla and, last of all, the milk.

Place the dasher of the ice cream freezer in a 1-gallon freezer can and pour the mixture into the can. Cover the can, place in the freezer bucket, adjust the handle and clamp securely. Test to see if all is properly adjusted for turning. Surround the can with cracked ice and rock salt, in proportion of 3 of ice to 1 of salt, to at least ½ of the way to the top. Start turning by hand and continue until it becomes very hard to turn. Remove handle and wipe top of can. Remove cover and dasher, scraping the dasher clean with a knife or spatula. Remove the can from the bucket, wipe it carefully and transfer the frozen cream to a 1½-quart ice cream mold. Cover with heavy waxed paper and seal tight with the cover. Place in the freezing compartment of the refrigerator for at least 1 hour to set. Turn out on a cold platter to serve. Serves 6-8.

### Macadamia Nut Ice Cream

6-ounce can Macadamia nuts (slightly salted)
1 ½ cups milk
1 ½ cup sugar
2 eggs, separated
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup heavy cream
3 tablespoons rum

Place the nuts in the electric blender, turn the blender on and then off immediately to reduce the nuts to a coarse powder.

Heat the milk in top of a double boiler over simmering water. Add the sugar and stir well. Beat the egg yolks and gradually add part of the hot milk. Stir this mixture into the remaining hot milk and cook, stirring constantly, until slightly thickened. Cool, add the vanilla, the unbeaten egg whites and the heavy cream. Place in an electric automatic ice cream freezer in freezing compartment of the refrigerator and freeze for about 1 hour. Scrape down the sides and bottom and continue freezing about 1 hour longer. Remove the dasher and stir in the rum and about half of the coarsely ground nuts. Continue freezing until stiff, about 3 hours. Half an hour before serving, remove freezer from the freezing compartment and place in the refrigerator to soften slightly. To serve, place the frozen cream in a well-chilled serving bowl and sprinkle with the remaining nuts. Serves 6.

### Blackberry Ice

1 pint ripe blackberries, washed
Juice of ½ lemon, strained
1 cup 20° sugar syrup (see note below)

Rub the blackberries through a sieve, using a wooden spoon. This should yield about ¾ cup of pulp. Add ½ cup water to the seed pulp remaining in the sieve, rub this through the sieve and add to the ¾ cup pulp. This should make about 1½ cups in all. Strain once more through a fine sieve and add the lemon juice. Stir in the sugar syrup. Place in a shallow ice tray in the freezing compartment with control set at medium cold (4°F). Allow to freeze to the mushy stage, about 2 hours. Scrape down sides, stir well and continue freezing until stiff. Serve in chilled glasses. Serves 4.

**Note:** To make 1 cup syrup of (approximately) 28°, moisten 2 cups sugar with 1½ cups cold water, stir until dissolved. Wipe down inside edges of the pan with a damp cloth. Place over heat and boil, without stirring, for 5 minutes, counting from time syrup is actually boiling.

### Black Bing Cherry Ice

1 heaping cup washed, stemmed and pitted black Bing cherries
Juice of 1 lemon, strained
1 cup 28° sugar syrup (see recipe for Blackberry Ice)
1 tablespoon Crème de Nayaux liqueur

Place the cherries in the ice cream blender with the lemon juice and ½ cup cold water and blend while counting to 30. Add the syrup and liqueur and strain through a fine sieve. Place the mixture in a shallow ice tray in the freezing compartment. Freeze until the mixture is a stiff firm mush, about 2 hours, stirring every half-hour. Serve in well-chilled sherbet glasses and garnish with Kirsch-flavored cherries. Serves 4.

**Note:** For Kirsch-flavored cherries, wash, stem and pit ½ pound black Bing cherries. Add ½ cup sugar syrup and 2-3 tablespoons Kirsch liqueur. Place in a glass container, cover and refrigerate.

### Peach Ice

6 small ripe white peaches, peeled and sliced
Juice of 1 lemon
1 cup 28° sugar syrup (see recipe for Blackberry Ice)
2 tablespoons Crème de Nayaux liqueur

Place the peaches in the electric blender with ½ cup cold water and blend until smooth. Add the lemon juice, sugar syrup and liqueur. Mix well and place the mixture in a shallow ice tray in the freezing compartment with the control set at medium cold. The mixture will start freezing around the edge of the container in 30 minutes. Scrape down, stir well and continue freezing about 1 hour, or until almost set. Stir well, and continue to freeze until ready to serve. Scrape with a sturdy spoon into well-chilled wineglasses. Serves 4.

### Red Raspberry Ice

1 pint fresh red raspberries
1 ½ cup 28° sugar syrup (see recipe for Blackberry Ice)
Juice of ½ lemon

Place the red raspberries in a sieve and allow cold water to run over them for a second or two. Drain and rub through a fine sieve, using a wooden spoon. Discard the seeds. Add ½ cup water, the sugar syrup and lemon juice to the puree and strain once more through the fine sieve. This should give you about 2½ cups. Place in a shallow ice tray in the freezing compartment and freeze for ½ hour, scrape down the sides and stir well. Continue freezing about 1 hour longer, scraping and stirring the mixture once more. Serve in well-chilled wineglasses. Serves 4.

* To change any of the above ices into sherbets, beat the ice when it is frozen with a rotary beater until soft; add 1 egg white, beaten until stiff but not dry, and beat it with the ice until all the white disappears. Return to the freezing tray and allow to remain until frozen through. Serve the sherbets in well-chilled sherbet or wine glasses.

### Tutti-Frutti Treat

½ ripe banana, peeled and sliced
1 ripe peach, peeled and sliced
1 ripe pear, peeled and cored
6 ripe dark Bing cherries, pitted
1 small ripe cantaloupe, peeled and seeded
1 ½ cup sugar
1 ½ cup crushed ice

Place the ingredients in the order given in the electric blender. Run the blender while counting to 25. Pour immediately into 4 well-chilled glasses and serve at once. Eat with a spoon as an afternoon treat on a hot summer day. Serves 4.
Brazilian Treat

Per serving:
1 cup (1/2 pound) avocado, peeled
Juice of 1/2 lime, strained
1 tablespoon simple syrup
1 cup vanilla ice cream

Place the avocado pulp, lime juice, syrup, and vanilla ice cream in the electric blender. Run the blender for about 5 minutes, or until very smooth. Place in a chilled glass and eat at once.

Violet Sherbet

1 cup Concord grape jelly (preferably home-made)
3 tablespoons Crème Yvette or Crème de Violette liqueur
Juice of 1/2 lemon
1 egg white
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
4 violets, candied or fresh

Beat together the jelly and 1/4 cups water just long enough to melt the jelly. Add the liqueur and the lemon juice. Cool and freeze in an electric automatic ice cream freezer in the freezing compartment of the refrigerator until it is partially frozen, about 1 hour. Remove dasher, scrape frozen ice into a chilled bowl and return to freezing compartment. Beat the egg white until stiff with the sugar. Add to the frozen mixture and fold in until no white remains. Beat with a rotary beater just long enough to remove granular look. Return to freezer minus the dasher, cover and return to freezing compartment until frozen stiff, stirring once more if necessary. Place in chilled sherbet glasses and garnish with a violet. Serves 4.

Orange Cracker Crumb Pie

2 dozen graham-cracker squares
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
Sugar
1/2 cup (scant) melted butter
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
4 tablespoons Curaçao liqueur
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon grated orange rind
5 eggs, separated
3 naval oranges

To prepare crusts, break 6 graham-cracker squares at a time into the electric blender, cover, blend for a few seconds and empty into a bowl. Repeat until all the crackers are reduced to a fine crumb consistency. Stir the cinnamon into 1/4 cup sugar and add to the crumbs. Add the melted butter and stir until the crumbs are well moistened and press into two 8" pie plates. Chill while you make the filling.

Soak the gelatin in 1/2 cup cold water for 5 minutes in the top of a small double boiler. Place over boiling water and stir until the gelatin is completely dissolved. Add 2 tablespoons of the Curaçao, the lemon juice and grated orange rind. Place the egg yolks in a medium large bowl and beat with a rotary beater until very thick and light, gradually beating in 1/2 cup sugar. Add the gelatin mixture and continue beating for a few seconds until well mixed. Beat the egg whites until stiff in a separate bowl. Fold the whites into the yolk mixture until no white shows and give a few added turns with the rotary beater until the mixture is smooth. Immediately pour into the 2 chilled crusts. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Meanwhile cut away the rind from the oranges with a very sharp knife, cutting deep enough to cut off all the white pith. Cut down into and between the sections to loosen the pulp in as perfect pieces as possible. Place in a bowl and sprinkle with plenty of sugar, and pour over all the remaining 2 tablespoons of Curaçao. When ready to serve the pies, garnish with the orange sections, dividing them equally and pour over all any remaining juice. Serve at once on chilled plates. Serves 8.

Apricot Sponge

1-pound, 1-ounce can apricot halves
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
3 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons Orgeat (almond-flavored syrup)
5 egg whites
2 cups custard sauce

Pour the juice from the canned apricots over the gelatin to soften. Place the apricots in the electric blender with the sugar, Orgeat and soaked gelatin and blend until reduced to a smooth consistency. Turn off the blender, if necessary, to scrape the mixture to the center and away from the sides, thereby removing air pockets. Empty the mixture into a saucepan and bring to boiling point over low heat, stirring constantly. Place in a large bowl and cool. Beat the egg whites until stiff and fold them carefully into the cooled apricot mixture. Pour into a 1 quart mold and refrigerate until set, at least 2 hours. Run knife around edge and turn out onto a chilled dessert plate. Serve at once accompanied by custard sauce. Serves 6.

Charlotte Russe

2 3-ounce packages lady fingers
1/2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
Boiling water
3 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons Crème de Noyaux liqueur
2 teaspoons vanilla
2 cups heavy cream

Separate the lady fingers and line 8 Old-Fashioned glasses, using 5 halves for each glass. Soak the gelatin in 6 tablespoons cold water for 5 minutes. Add 4 tablespoons boiling water, stir well and place over boiling water until the gelatin is dissolved. Cool, add the sugar, Crème de Noyaux and vanilla. Beat the cream in a large bowl until almost stiff, then beat in gradually the cooled gelatin mixture. Do not overbeat. Spoon the mixture immediately into the lined glasses, dividing it equally. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Serves 8.

Crushed ice sets a quick Coffee Cognac Delight

Using ice crusher attachment on your electric blender, make 2 cups crushed ice. Set aside until needed.

Put in blender 2 envelopes gelatin, 1/2 cup cognac, 1/4 cup strong hot coffee. Cover. Blend 40 seconds.

Add 1/4 cup sugar, blend 2 seconds. Then add 1/4 cup heavy cream and crushed ice. Cover. Blend 1 minute.

Let stand in blender for 1 minute. Pour into 6 individual dishes. Mixture will set without refrigeration.
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THE BAKER’S RACK

Presumably, the piece of furniture commonly known as a baker’s rack derives from the open shelves bakers used to use for cooking and displaying their fresh-from-the-oven pies and loaves. But from that workaday origin, the genre has risen to scarcely predictable decorative heights without losing a mite of its usefulness. This Italian-inspired version in wrought iron and brass particularly appealed to H&G for its classic “S” curve scrolls, its arrow and acorn finials and generally graceful lines. Other virtues that qualify it as furniture with a future include the sturdy, rustproof frame and removable white glass shelves. Since it is unlike any other piece of furniture you would be likely to have, it could serve as an accent piece in almost any room in the house or even on an outdoor terrace. Standing 72 inches tall and 36 inches wide, the rack might be used to hold a pot garden in a living or dining room, to store pretty cookware and spices in a kitchen or towels and bath accessories in a dressing room. You could also set it up to function as a bar or as a display stand for a prized collection. Gallo is the maker.
In a foyer, the baker's rack offers generous hospitality as well as casting delicate shadows of its tracery against the white wall. The middle shelf is just the right height to serve as a working bar and deep enough to keep all ingredients handy. The shallower top shelf would be good for glasses, the lowest could hold a wine rack, extra supplies of mixers.

In a dressing room, you might use the baker's rack as a showcase where your prettiest towels can be stored to be seen. The middle shelf could serve as an auxiliary dressing table or a display stage for a collection of perfume bottles.

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Japanese black pine (Pinus thunbergii) is best evergreen shore tree by George Taloumis

The seaside gardener must learn to become the master of pro's and con's. In his favor are the brilliance and sparkle of ocean sunshine, the freshness of the sea wind, the myriad shadings of the sea and sand. Dead against him are the constant winds, the almost continual presence of salt-laden air (except when it is air-laden salt), and the abrasive touch of drifting or flying sand. With all opportunities and obligations met, this leaves the seashore gardener with some of the loveliest and most exciting plants in the whole horticultural realm.

Because in recent years there has been a shoreward turn among home builders, permanent or transient, there has also been a growing interest in salt-water gardening—partly, perhaps, of necessity, but mostly because seaside gardening presents a challenge that cannot even be understood by inland practitioners.

To succeed, the garden by the sea must first of all have good soil. Most soils near the sea are light and sandy, capable of supporting only a limited number of acclimated plants. They need to be enriched with peatmoss, leafmold, compost, seaweed litter or other organic material. This is especially

force of the wind are set up, gardening in certain locations is next to impossible. The wind that blows constantly in exposed areas stunts

Hudsonias are more resistant to erosion than the soil they grow in from many trees, causes them to lean in one direction and sooner or later rips off their leaves. Yet there are some species, especially those with fine leaves, that are relatively impregnable. These, like Japanese black pine and red and white spruce, are widely found growing

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naturally along the ocean's edge. Where it is too difficult to grow a hedge of these, a fence 5 or 6 feet high will act as a windbreak. You can construct it of wood, stone or other material, and behind it grow a wide variety of plants. It is amazing how even a low 3-foot wall will cut the velocity of the wind sufficiently to make gay, colorful flower borders a reality.

In general, however, tree and shrub hedges are preferable to fences as windbreaks. Some trees and shrubs are better suited to this than others, whether they are allowed to grow naturally or are formally clipped. Where winds are especially stiff, set hedge plants at closer intervals than normally so one will protect another. When flung salt spray is a factor, there is not much that can be done except to select the kinds that are least susceptible and hope for the best: Japanese black pine, rugosa rose, bayberry and beach plum.

Russian olive (Elaeagnus angustifolia) is an invulnerable shore shrub

These and other windbreaks, such as the house itself, will protect lower-growing plants (except for bearberry, which seems to need no protection). They will also act as bulwarks against blown sand, which during a storm can cover low shrubs and perennials and annuals overnight.

While no garden anywhere is complete without trees and shrubs that add height, shade, flowers and beauty of structure all year-round, this is even more true in the seaside garden, where choices are limited. At the top of the list is Japanese black pine, already mentioned. Its picturesque growing habits and ability to tolerate actual submergence as well as salt spray and come out unscathed are unmatched in the world of trees.

Mock-oranges, all of them, produce extravagant sprays of spring flowers

In New England hurricanes, Japanese black pine has proved to be the best performer, with American holly, another tree that has often been flooded for several days without being harmed, a close second.

Native red and white spruces, stately along the rocky coast of Maine, (Continued on next page)

Beach plums (a kind of cherry) make the world's most treasured jelly, are among the most prized of all dune shrubs.
deserve consideration. Pitch pine an evergreen with a twisted habit of growth, is common on Cape Cod, Mass. Other evergreen trees in this category are white, red, Austrian and Scotch pines, the recommended plant for seaside gardens with red-dish bark and open, asymmetrical manner of growth. Norway spruce can be set out as a windbreak, as can Colorado blue spruce and Japanese cryptomeria. And both American arborvitae and red cedar make dependable hedges.

Oaks are seashore stalwarts.

Among deciduous shade trees, English oak is one of the best—it has been naturalized along the beaches and bluffs of Cape Cod. Other native oaks, such as red, pin and white, make excellent seaside shade trees. American sycamore, although not often planted today because of the continuing threat of disease, has more than proved its mettle. Sycamore and Norway maples are not to be overlooked when you set back a little from the actual shore. The same goes for horse chestnut, little-leaf linden, ailanthus, tulpe and black locust.

For color or as lawn specimens, a number of small trees tolerate coastal conditions. Crab apples, as a group, are pre-eminent, offering both flowers and fruits, favored by the birds in the autumn. Shadbush can be grown close to the water, and Washington and Arnold Hawthorns are nearly as amenable. Pay special heed to Russian olive (Elaeagnus angustifolia), the all-but-perfect small seaside tree, vying with Japanese black pine in endurance. It is very hardy, has a pleasantly irregular growth habit, withstands wind and salt spray, has small silvery leaves that are an ideal foil for the blue of the surrounding sea and sky, and its early summer flowers are sweetly fragrant. The shadbush (Amelanchier Canadensis) is less hardy, perhaps, but ever lovelier.

Shrubs are more easily established than trees on the shore because they do not grow as tall and therefore are not as severely subjected to wind force. Certain species are naturals for the seaside garden. Two that head the list are rugosa rose, which actually grows in salt sand, and beach plum, an American native that is favored by the white flowers in May, and even more for the purple fruits used for beach plum jelly.

Bayberry (Myrica pensylvanica) with its aromatic leaves and gray berries is another topsy-turvy climber, common along the Atlantic coast—including remote islands, where trees simply will not grow because of the wind. In the second echelon, include the following: red osier, Siberian and yellow-twig dogwoods; summer-sweet (clethra); the cotoneasters; Scotch and Warminster brooms (adapted to dry, sandy soils); Hawaiian peat tree; sword-leaved elder; arrowwood and withe-red viburnums; autumn and cherry elaeagnus; winter and tartarian honeysuckles; black elder; elderberry; tamarix; and Amur privet (which makes as good a hedge near the ocean as elsewhere). Add potentillas, buckthorn, high-bush and low-bush blueberries, and ground-sel bush (baccalarias) with its plump white or yellow sprays in fall. Sea buckthorn, with orange berries among thorny twigs that last all winter, is also among the tidewaters eat.

Low-growing evergreens can be used in many ways in the seaside garden. Sun, salt and short, narrow and spreading make the grade, and what's more, they are easily available. For others, check Pistiz, Sargent and Andorra junipers, inkberry (a native with shiny, rounded leaves), mugo pine and, of course, bearberry or kinnikinnick, a ubiquitous trailing evergreen that will thrive in pure sand. Mat-forming heaths and heathers are super for Alpine rock gardens by the sea. Wines, as a group, are easy, because they are attached or cling to surfaces that prevent them from succumbing to excessive winds. First among them, because it is little injured by salt, is Virginia creeper or woodbine, the supreme vine for use among rocks at the sea's boundary. Japanese honeysuckle, which has to be watched so it will not take over, American and oriental bittersweets, big-leafed euonymus, leaved Dutchman's pipe vine, and climbing hydrangeas will respond to a minimum of care. Climbing roses flourished.

Groundcovers are easy.

Groundcovers, important in any garden to cut down maintenance, are especially valuable in gardens by the sea. Several can be grown on slopes or banks, facing the ocean, or under trees where shade is deep. Purple-leaved euonymous, English ivy, pachysandra, myrtle (vinca), pachistima, sweet fern (good in the sandiest soils), artemisia, santolina (where hardy) and ramblers, roses, often grown as groundcovers, are an answer to this need.

Behind the shelter of a house or garage, tall fence or hedge—or at a safe distance from the sea—many herbaceous perennials grow lushly, responding to cool evening air and high humidity. If they are staked, hybrid delphiniums make glorious seaside plants. Continued on page 133
Building Information

Materials and equipment used in the House of Surprises

(see pages 82-95)

Structure

Foundation:
Both sections of the house are supported by 10-inch concrete footings under the exterior walls. There is a 4-foot-deep crawl space under the house except in the dining-kitchen wing, which has a full 8-foot-high basement. The courtyard is a concrete slab laid directly on the ground.

Framing:
Walls and roof are framed in conventional fashion. The stud framework of the walls is 16 inches on center, the 2-by-6-inch roof rafters are 24 inches on center.

Exterior of house

Walls and courtyard fence:
Redwood board-and-batten siding walls, redwood grape stake fence, California Redwood Assoc. Sheathing by U. S. Plywood Co. Insulation—glass fiber batts by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. Red stain on siding and fence, driftwood slat on arcade posts and exterior trim, by Samuel Cabot, Inc.

Roof:
Red cedar shingles, Red Cedar Single and Handsplit Shake Bureau.

Doors:
Sliding glass doors with aluminum frames in all major rooms by Peachtree Door Co. Paneled wood entrance door—"SunDor" by Consolidated General Products Corp.

Windows:
Wood casements by Andersen Corp.

Interior of house

Interior walls:
Gypsum wallboard in all major rooms—"Sheetrock" by U. S. Gypsum Co. Philippine mahogany trim for windows, doors and baseboard. On one wall of boy's room, fir plywood paneling with inlaid copper strips by Georgia-Pacific Corp. In sauna, redwood vertical boarding, California Redwood Assoc. In children's bathroom, ceramic tile by Stylon Corp. In bedroom hall, copper tile on laminated plastic by Viken Tile Corp., and Formica Corp.

Interior finishes:
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Doors:
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Hardware:
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Lighting fixtures:
Lightolier. All bulbs by Duro-Lite Lamps, Inc.

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In kitchen and bathrooms, laminated plastic by Formica Corp.

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with spikes of blue, lavender, purple, orchid and pink. Several other species appreciate the dew and coolness of the sea: Limpines, violas, peach-leaved bellflowers, Shasta daisies, perennial flax, coral-bells, gaillardia, globe thistle, lavender, mallow, lirias, phlox, sedums, anemones, rudbeckias, fall asters, pinks, astilbe, bearded iris, day lilies, and fritillaria—the list is surprisingly long. Sea holly (eryngium), with blue-gray foliage and prickly amethyst flowers, and sea pink (armeria), which forms dense clumps during the linear leaves topped by stems of pink flowers, are among the most shoreproof.

When it comes to annuals, there are no problems. All kinds will grow easily, even if exposed to the full force of the winds during their short periods from late May to late September. Not only are they mostly low-growing, but during those months truly violent storms from the ocean are unusual. The seed-packed annuals represent the flowers that summer cottage gardens can enjoy in fusion—petunia, pansy, marigold, dahlia, gladiculus, tuberous begonia, begonias, nasturtiums, petunias, cosmos, delphinium, heliotropes, beloved for their well-nourished plants are better at feeding and watering. Healthy, well-nourished plants are better for the open ground or in window boxes or pots. Red, pink or white, they are flamboyant all summer long. Heliotropes, beloved for their summer season. Geraniums and marigolds, fanciful Bedouin flowers, are among the most shoreproof.

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Richly Textured Accents you can make from kits

Throughout our House of Surprises on pages 82-95, we scattered handcrafted accents—two rya rugs, a set of rya cushion covers, a hooked rug and a knitted afghan—all made from kits that come complete with easy-to-follow instructions and all ingredients. Kits for the three rya-woven accents (1-3, below) provide you with a working plan and pattern, needles, rya weaving, and the correct amount of wool or cotton. To order a rya kit, write to C.U.M. Rya Rugs, Copenhagen Imports, P.O. Box 1489, La Jolla, Calif., 92037. The kit for the hooked rug (4) includes a stamped canvas, a latch hook and the necessary amount of precut rug wool, and comes from Shillcraft, 106 Hopkins Place, Baltimore, Md. 21201. The kit for the afghan (5) has, besides the knitting instructions, the necessary number of skeins of Reynolds Wool Yarn and comes from Knit Crafts, 331 Main Street, Wakefield, R.I., 02879.

1. **Rya-woven bath mat in children's bathroom (page 93)** is made with yellow and white cotton. The kit for a mat measuring 1 foot 5 inches by 2 feet 8 inches costs $9.80. Instructions for making the basic rya stitch, please see "How to make rya rugs," in May, 1965, HaG.

2. **Rya-woven cushion covers in the son's room (page 92)** are made in 18-inch squares of solid white or yellow wool (at $7.20 for the kit), or in a zigzag pattern of gray, black and white (8.10 for the kit).

3. **Sunburst rya rug adds a bright splash of oranges, browns and gold to hall in children's section of living room (see it in color on page 86) unites the three basic hues—red, blue and white—in the living room color scheme. Rugs come in three sizes—36 by 60 inches ($49), 45 by 75 inches ($73) and 90 feet square ($269).** For basics of rug hooking, see May, 1964, HaG.

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5. **The soft, nubby textured knitted afghan in the son's room (page 93)** makes a cozy, lightweight extra blanket in a tweedy combination of black, gray and white. Kit for 56-inch-square afghan, $49.95.

6. **Colonial with modern features describes the dining room and bedroom furniture shown in a 15-page booklet by Taylor-Jamestown. Pictures and give data for Market Square and Cherry Hall groups, plus a chest-desk-table combination for small spaces, 25c.**

7. **How to make your bed gives better support to box springs, mattresses and you is covered in a leaflet by Harvard Frames that shows the proper metal bed frames for oversized Hollywood and swing beds. Also tells how to convert to a Hollywood bed.**

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1. **A Contemporary Concept** and traditional detailing are the hallmarks of the Patterns Twelve collection shown in a booklet by Founders Furniture. Includes specifications for dining room and bedroom furniture, occasional pieces. 25c.

2. **A Decorating Handbook** by Baumritter features the Ethan Allen treasury of authentic Early American furniture. Contains 156 pages of pictures, showing over 400 pieces separately and in room settings. Complete with floor plan graph and scaled cut-outs. $1.

3. **Old New England Charm** is captured in the collection of Pioneer Treasury furniture for dining areas shown in a booklet by Temple-Stuart. Over 135 pieces are illustrated, including tables with Formica tops in Rock-Port Early American finish. 10c.

4. **Decorating with light** is the theme of a full-color booklet by the John C. Virden Co. that shows 70 pages of lighting designs to go with almost any decor. Includes information on recessed lighting, bath and kitchen illumination, chandeliers. 25c.

5. **Early American Designs** in chairs for kitchen, dining room and den are pictured in a comprehensive folder by S. Beatris. Also has specifications for collection of Boston Rockers, benches, ladderbacks. 25c.

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9. **Cabinets and Shelves** complete with dimensions, are sketched in a detailed folder by Scheirich Kitchens. Also lists construction data, features; photographs of such accessories as pan racks, tray base. 10c.

10. **Step-by-step planning guide** for kitchen and laundry has been compiled by the American Gas Association. It covers basic floor plans, countertops, kitchen ventilation, food preparation area, laundry appliances, 25c.

11. **Professional Painting tips** are offered in a full-color folder by Dap Inc. Gives complete directions for preparations for outside and inside painting, including caulkings, glazing windows, painting or refinishing wood 10c.

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13. BE A FOOD AND DRINK expert via a handy little booklet by Bacardi that gives recipes for both. There are instructions for making 33 different drinks, plus suggestions for gourmet desserts.

14. YOUR GUIDE TO A LUAU, the exotic feast borrowed from our 50th state, is provided by Orchids of Hawaii in a colorful 27-page booklet. Includes advice on food and drinks to serve, decorations and costumes. 10c.

15. HOW TO COOK OUTDOORS nd get charred flavor without char is the theme of a 45-page recipe booklet by Kitchen Bouquet. Features recipes for cooking all kinds of meat, fish and poultry, plus tips on building a good fire.

WEIGHT WATCHERS

16. FASHION YOUR FIGURE with a chocolate malt frappe or a strawberry Bavarian, advises an 8-page booklet by Pet Milk featuring recipes using the liquid diet food, Sego. Many delicious ways to serve Sego in its nine flavors are described.

17. RECIPES FOR LOW-FAT cooking are offered by Westinghouse in a 29-page booklet. Recipes range from an everyday omelet to veal paprikash. Includes hostess chart for Westinghouse non-stick fry pan. 10c.

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19. PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND offers the tourist beaches, lovely countryside and many sports, points out a colorful 40-page booklet by the Travel Bureau of this Canadian province. Along with many photographs, a map of the island is included.

20. A WELCOME MAT IS OUT in Newfoundland for the tourist who is seeking a land of unspoiled tranquility, according to a colorful folder by the Newfoundland Tourist Development Office. It pictures the attractions —hunting, fishing, sailing, swimming— of Canada’s tenth province.

MISCELLANEOUS

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23. HIGH FIDELITY SYSTEMS are thoroughly discussed in a Layman’s guide to the installation and care of sound systems in the home by Acoustic Research, Inc. The 70-page booklet features diagrams, suggestions for placing components in a room setting. $1.

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Replacing the vines

The first replanting was not the final answer, for the old haphazard system was not beaten. It had been customary to plant the fields with different vines in the proportions that went into the eventual blend. One year one variety would have more grapes, or ripen quicker; the next, another. The vineyard's wine could not be made consistent from one vintage to the next.

It was not until the proprietors took the step of separating grape from grape in different vineyards—giving the most appropriate south slope to the Rieslings or the more sheltered angle of the hill to the Muscat—that really intelligent wine-making could begin and quality be controlled. As so often, specialization saved the day.

Riesling, as I have said, has no peer. The other Alsatian wines are comparable with each other in quality, although different in character.

The Traminer has now been replaced in practice by the Gewürztraminer, the "spicy" Traminer (some wine is still sold, to answer demand, by the old name as well). Gewürztraminer is not sweet (only on very rare occasions have any sweet wines been made in Alsace), but it has the almost piquant quality of a pinch of spice. When it is drunk very cold, this, combined with its dryness, gives it a very refreshing distinction. Alsatian food, such as foie gras with truffles, the luxury dish of Strasbourg, or, at the other end of the gastronomic scale, choucroute garnie, tends to be very rich and full-flavored, too powerful for the delicacy of a Riesling—and this is the Traminer's chance.

The Traminer's rival, the Muscat, is elsewhere always thought of as a sweet wine. We expect a Muscat wine to taste like sugar, strength and body) such as the Muscat Reserve Exceptionelle. Dopff & Irion make and sell a wine called Clois des Amandiers, a particularly delicate dry Muscat for guests I serve a Muscat, a dry, and foremost on a bottle label: Alsace does the grape appear first south of France it is made into some of the most luscious dessert wines of all. Although all produce a full range, each house has its specialties and idiosyncrasies. Expect a slightly richer wine from Schumberger. Look to Hugel for a great late-gathered wine (with more sugar, strength and body) such as the Sylvaner which is still one of the best vineyards separate from the rest and bottling them with the vineyard's name in addition to the rest of the wine's description in the manner of German wines. Let us hope this practice will spread. For the less wine is blended, the more of its own character it keeps, and the more exciting the tasting experience will be.

Most Alsatian wines are drunk so young that vintages are of little account. True, one is better than another, but as it grows older, it loses its superiority. Freshness is the thing. The vintage was 1954, as was 1961. But there is little point in keeping it; another fine one will come along. Drink it while it still has the freshness of youth.
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