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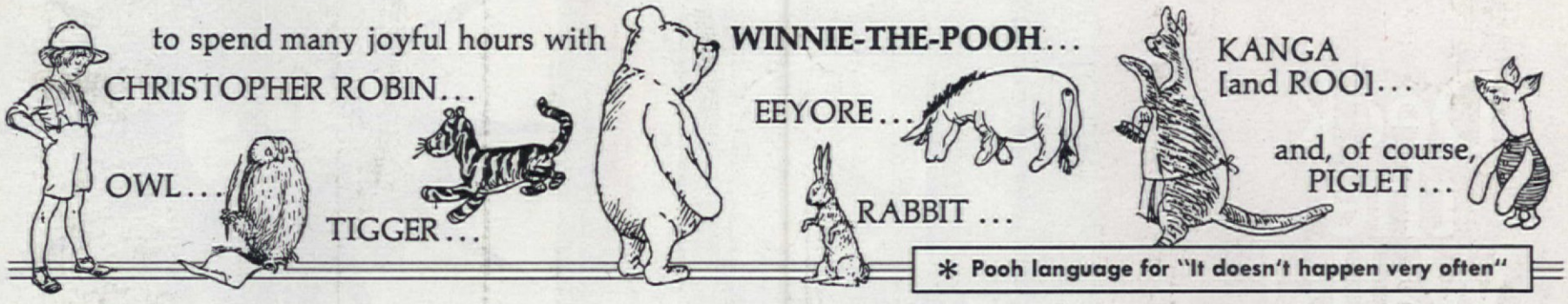

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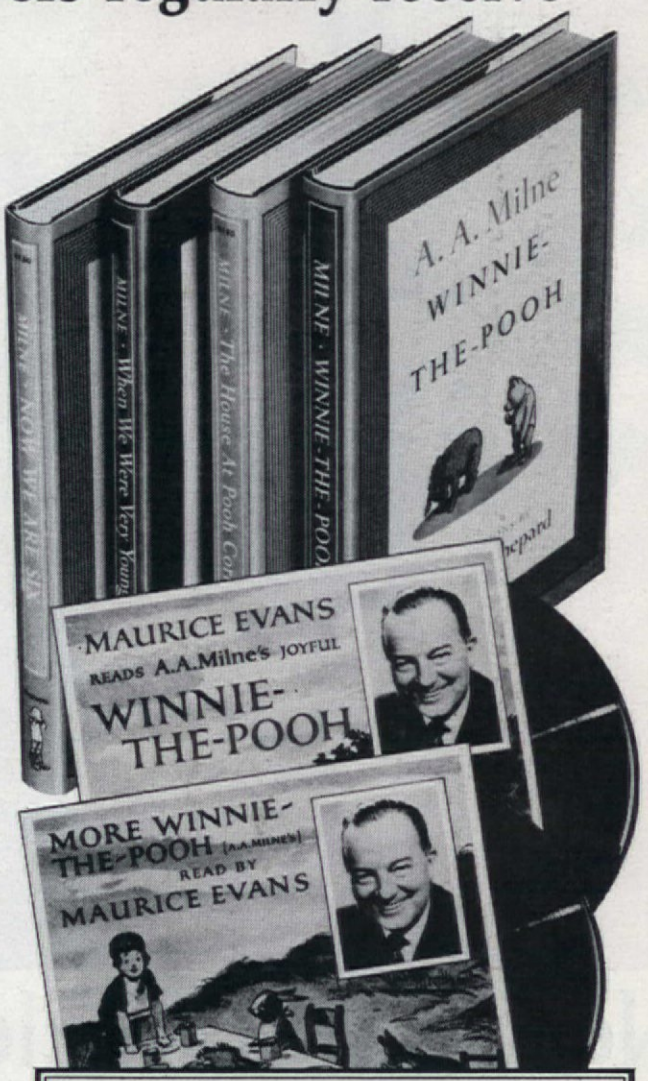

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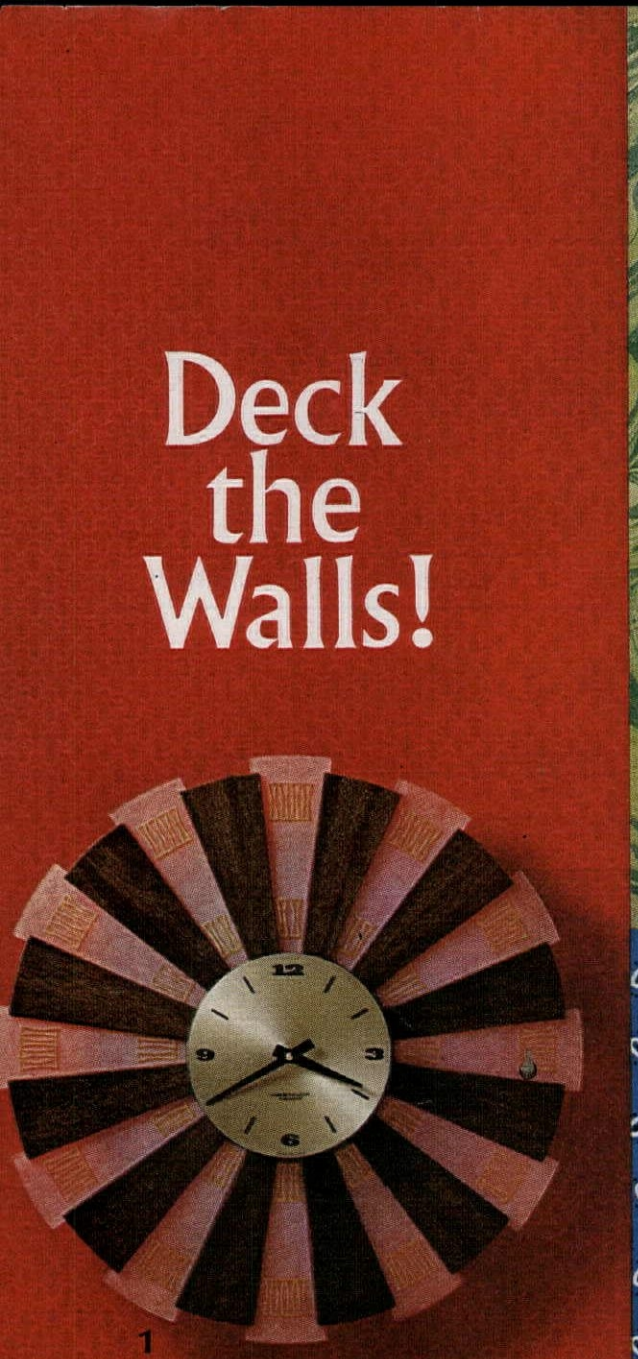

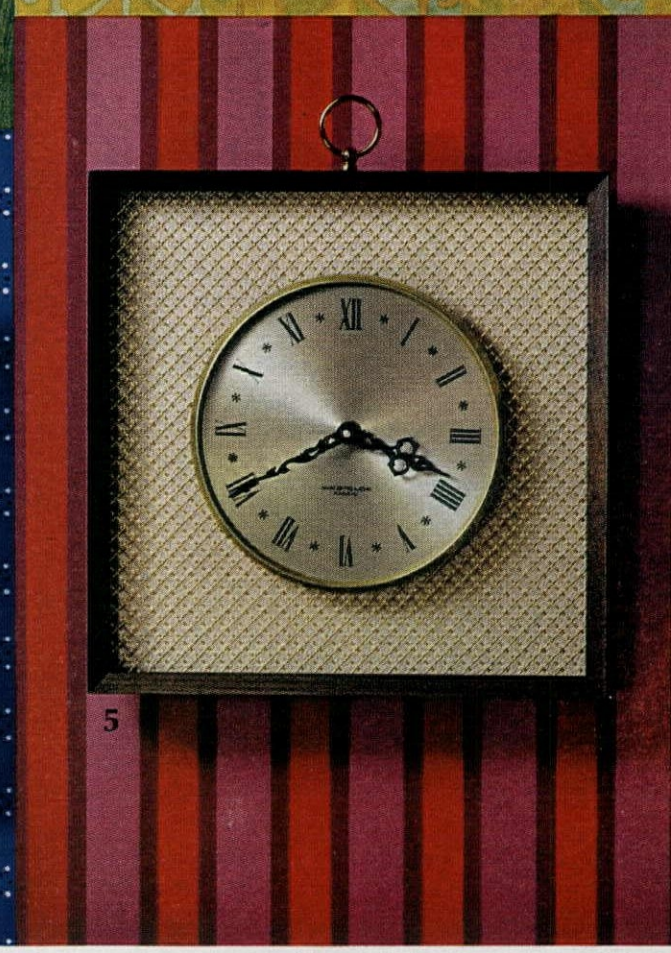

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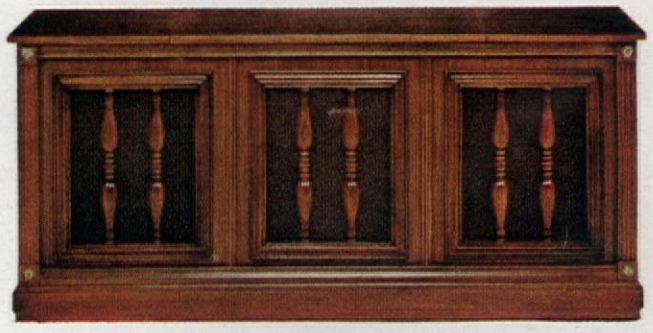

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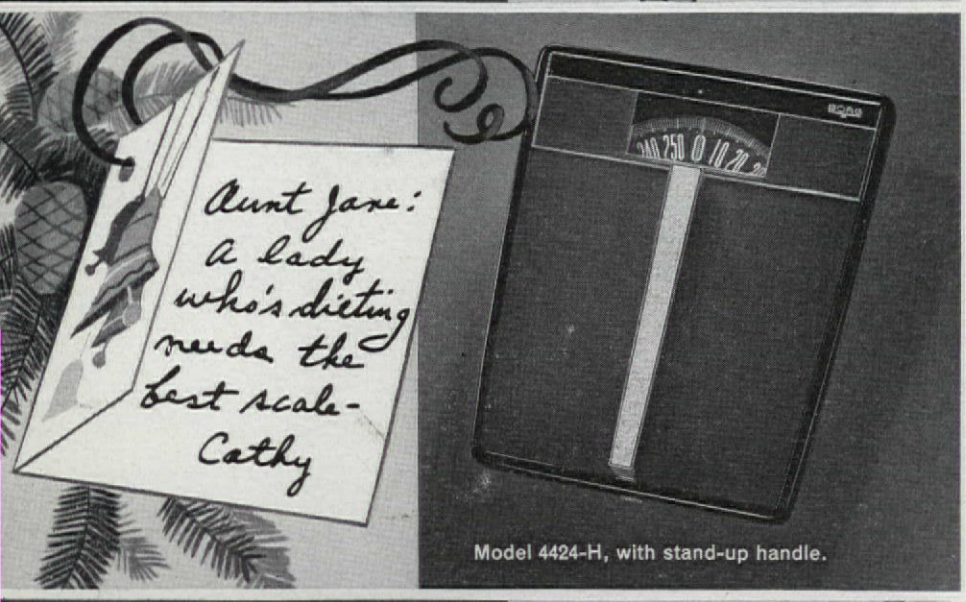

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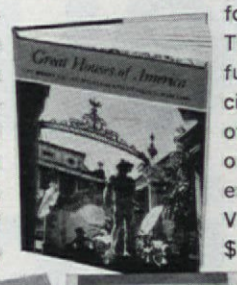

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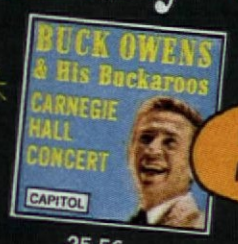

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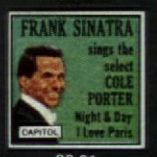

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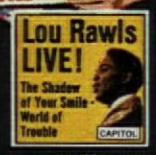

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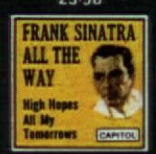

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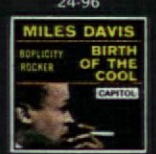

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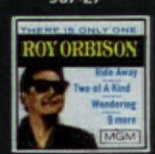

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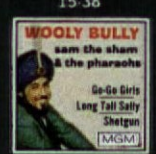

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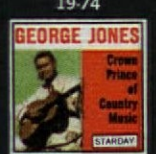

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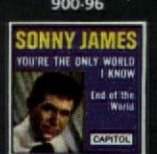

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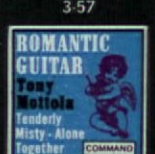

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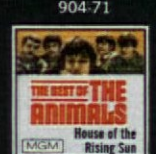

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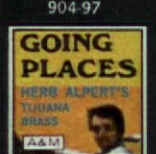

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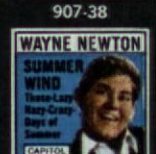

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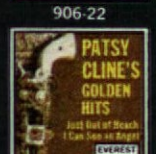

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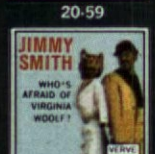

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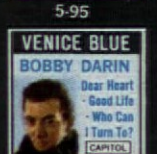

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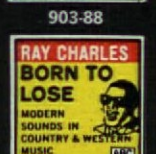

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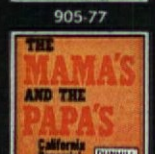

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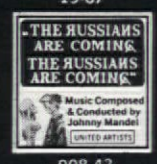

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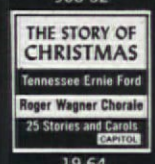

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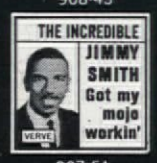

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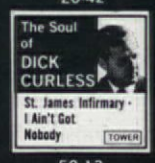

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The hardest people to buy for are people who "have everything"—whence solid gold toenail clippers and convertibles dyed to match her eyes. But the easiest presents to buy are presents for the house. No house ever had everything. (Well OK, if *yours* does—how about a solid gold can opener? A refrigerator-freezer colored to match your eyes?) Even if your house had everything last year, we'll bet it doesn't now—furniture has a way of wearing out, dishes have a way of breaking, appliances have a way of growing old. And this Christmas there are wonders that you never heard of 12 months ago.

Take a long, fond look around your home, and then come with us on the merriest shopping tour of your life. Some of our ideas are as big as a house (central vacuuming), some are smaller than a bread box (an electric knife, a door knocker). But all are sure to make your house happier or healthier, wealthier or wiser.

Let's start in the kitchen. Maybe you already have a dishwasher (only 13 percent of us do) and a disposer (only 14 percent of us do)—but how up-to-date are your refrigerator and range? The best present you could give your kitchen might be a gleaming new side-by-side refrigerator-freezer combination or a fabulous eye-level range that boasts two large ovens. Maybe all that your kitchen needs is a little color (a fire-engine-red sink) or a little organizing (a whole slew of coordinated turntables and stacking units for your closets and cabinets). Are you still squeezing oranges and cracking ice by hand? Besides all the electric juicers, mixers, grinders, blenders, knife sharpeners, and ice crushers on the market, now there's a dandy do-it-all appliance with attachments for whizzing through all these chores and more.

On to the dining room, seat of the family's entertaining. Are you ready for the holidays? Was your last dinner party smooth as silk or was it on dubious ground? Successful hostessing is twice as easy with the right helpers. An electric warming tray is as good as another pair of hands. Even newer is a thermoelectric buffet cart that chills as well as warms. Speaking of chilling, is your ice bucket still fit to go out in company? Maybe an ice crusher or a glass froster would be a happy addition—or how about a magnificent champagne bucket that will do your room proud even minus champagne? A wine rack? A punch bowl? A dozen exquisite, admittedly extravagant tulip glasses? No table ever has enough to wear—hunt for place mats that are different from any you've ever owned, and maybe service plates to match, or gay napkin holders. For a change of pace from the usual centerpiece, treat yourself to a bevy of the new individual flower holders in glowing Swedish glass.

And in the living room. Suppose it was being photographed for a magazine—we'll bet there's something you'd add or change. Maybe this is the time for a big present—a new chair, new carpeting, a different window treatment, an important painting. Now that mirrors are "in" again, are you making the most of their magic? Does your fireplace have everything its hearth could desire? How about lamps, and lighting for your plants and pictures?

Chances are your bathroom isn't posh enough to entertain in, like the Spanish designer's with marble fireplace and crystal chandelier—but bathrooms are no longer also-rans. Yours may need a basically practical present—a tub enclosure, a good-looking hamper, a new toilet seat. But lucky you if your bath has everything but pizazz—it's great fun shopping for unusual bottles and jars, elegant fixtures, beautiful towels, a luxurious shower curtain, a stunning towel stand.

If you have a bath off the master bedroom, are you making the most of the decorating? The stores are filled with coordinated sheets, spreads, blankets, towels, and rugs to make a harmonious whole of bath and boudoir. If you haven't shopped for blankets in years, you don't know what you're missing—thermals, skinny blankets, electrics, velvet-bound blankets, velours, prints. Or how about a magnificent, lap-of-luxury comforter? No room in the house needs more imaginative accessorizing than the bedroom—it's the most likely to have unimaginative, all-of-a-kind furniture. This Christmas, put away the old matching nighttable lamps and do something exciting about lighting. A bedroom lamp doesn't have to *look* like a bedroom lamp. While you're at it, look into the new high-intensity lamps for reading in bed. Maybe a change of window dressing is in order—how about louvered shutters instead of curtains, or shutters with fabric panels, or the new decorative shades, including laminated ones to match your draperies or wallpaper?

Before we leave the bath-and-boudoir department, don't forget the glamorous new world of beauty appliances. They're so nice to have around the house—electric massagers and exercisers, electric combs and brushes, electric manicure sets and shoe polishers, hair dryers.

Still on the subject of beauty and health, why not think really big? An air-conditioning system is one of the nicest presents a house could have. An electrostatic air-filtering system would be even nicer. How about a humidifier or a dehumidifier? Maybe this is the year to put in a central vacuuming system—or install your very own sauna bath—or start poring over plans for that swimming pool you've been dreaming about for so long.

The house is full of big and little ideas for Christmas everywhere you turn. Tired of having the bacon burn while you round everybody up for breakfast? An intercom system will end all that—plus keep tabs on the baby in the nursery and float pretty music all through the house. How old is the not-so-trusty family typewriter? Do you really have enough clocks that work? Maybe your house is still without a tape recorder or a projector—without stereo, FM radio, or color TV. And for a gay little gift at very little cost—how about a push-button telephone that goes dum-dee-dee so musically (and cuts two seconds off your dialing time).

Of course, the first thing people see is the outside of your house. Your grounds might be grateful for electric hedge clippers, a power mower that sweeps and rakes your lawn and sidewalks too, or a snow thrower. Would shutters at the windows make all the difference in the world? Or a handsome new walk? Or an outdoor lighting system? Christmas is coming, and so is Christmas company—why not make them welcome with a shiny new brass knocker on the door and bright new planters by the doorstep filled with evergreens now (and fuchsias later)? Yes, Christmas is coming—but so are summer, spring, and fall. This year, give the *house* a present and enjoy it all year long!

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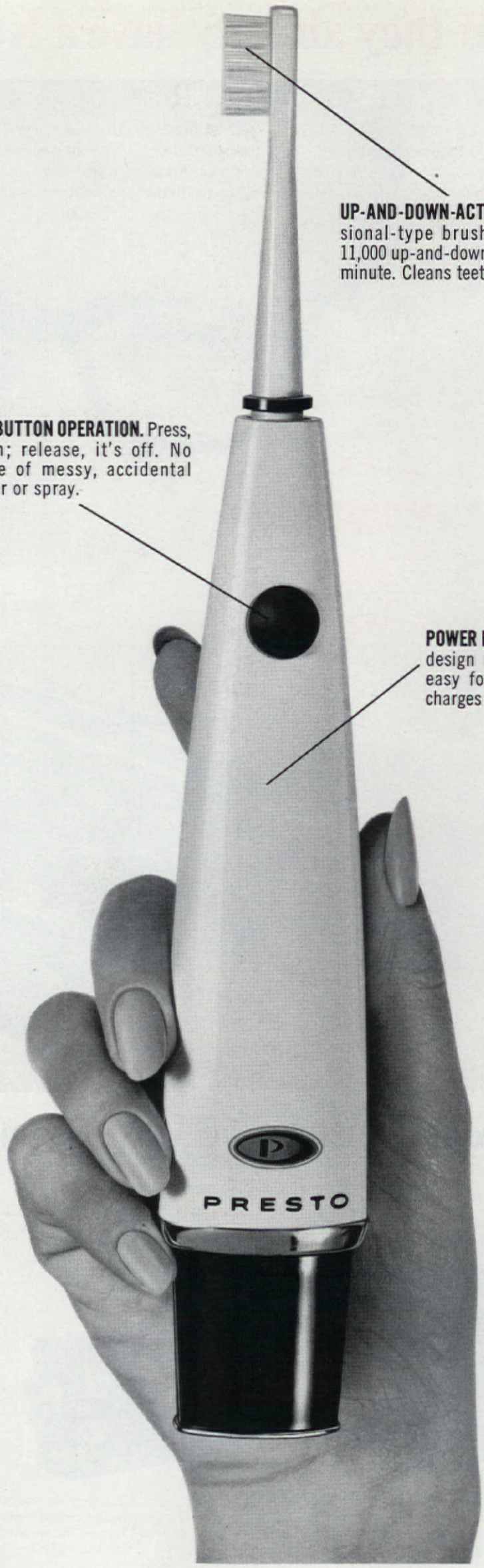

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PERSONAL CARE OF THE PATIENT IN BED

By Annette Francis Benjamin

In almost every family there is an occasional need to care for a sick or disabled person confined to bed. Nothing contributes more to his or her comfort and morale than a daily bath, if the doctor approves, and a shampoo when needed. Homemakers inexperienced in home-nursing techniques may find it helpful to become familiar with these two basic procedures and to have a reference at hand for their own moral support.

GIVING A BED BATH

Make sure the room is draftfree and warm before beginning the bath. Close all windows and doors, and try to maintain a room temperature of 72 degrees or warmer. No special equipment is required, but it is important to assemble beforehand every item you will need.

Place a small table at the bedside and cover it with newspapers (or a piece of plastic or rubber sheeting) to keep it dry. Put on it a basin half full of warm water, a bar of mild soap set in a dish, rubbing alcohol or body lotion, body or talcum powder, a washcloth, and two bath towels. At the foot of the bed place an extra-large towel (a beach towel or cotton blanket) and a fresh nightgown or pajamas.

Help the person move near the edge of the bed, spread the extra-large towel or cotton blanket over him, and remove the bedclothes—slipping them out from under the covering to avoid chilling. Expose only the part of the body to be washed; keep the rest of the body covered snugly. Place a towel under each part as you wash it; dry thoroughly, sprinkle with body or talcum powder, and cover it before washing the next part.

Begin by bathing the eyelids with a washcloth and clear water. Face, ears, and neck are then washed with soap and water. Next place the bath towel under one arm, wash and dry it; then do the other arm. Next bathe the chest and abdomen. Help the patient turn over on his side or stomach and wash the back and buttocks. Give the back a good rub with alcohol or body lotion. Starting at the neck, move with long, firm but gentle strokes down the lower spine and buttocks and up again to the neck. The alcohol or lotion can be warmed in advance by placing the bottle in a basin of warm water.

Roll the patient on his back again and put on the clean pajama top or gown as far down as the hips. Wash his thighs, legs, and feet. Set the basin on the bed on the other bath towel and allow the patient to place the feet—one at a time—in the water to soak for a few minutes. Be sure to dry the feet well, especially between the toes.

Change the water in the basin. The genital region should be washed next, and if the patient can take this part of the bath unassisted, be sure you have placed all the equipment within easy reach. After you have completed the bath, put on the clean pajama bottom or straighten out the gown.

GIVING A BED SHAMPOO

Gather together at the bedside one large piece of plastic or rubber sheeting (or a plastic shower curtain or vinyl tablecloth), a washcloth, three bath towels, two large pitchers of warm water, shampoo and rinse, newspapers, a basin, and a pail.

Help the person move near the edge of the bed and elevate his or her head by placing a hard or folded pillow under the neck and shoulders. To protect the bedclothes and the upper part of the body, drape (like a shampoo cape) the plastic or rubber sheeting around the neck and shoulders and under the head. Cover this sheeting all around with towels. Protect the floor with newspapers and put the pail on them near the patient's head.

Place the basin under the head and give the patient a moistened washcloth to keep water and lather from running into his or her eyes. Like a regular shampoo, lather thoroughly, and rinse. Empty the basin water into the pail as often as necessary to keep it from overflowing on the bed. Soap and rinse the hair again. Finish with a commercial rinse or a solution of vinegar or lemon juice. Squeeze any excess water from the hair and dry it with a towel or portable hair dryer. Settle the person into a comfortable position, and help with combing and, if applicable, setting of the hair.

If a bed shampoo is not allowed or is impractical for any reason, a dry shampoo can be used effectively.

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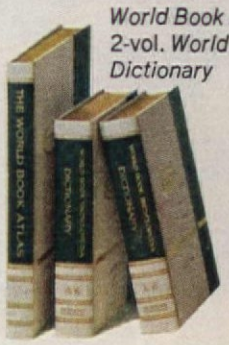

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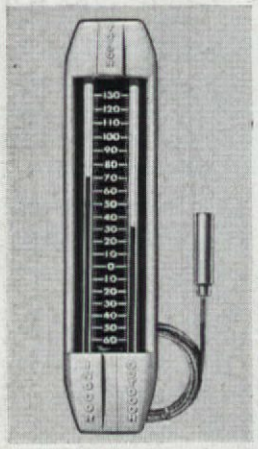

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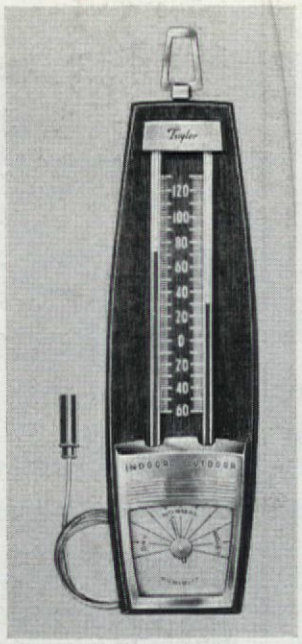

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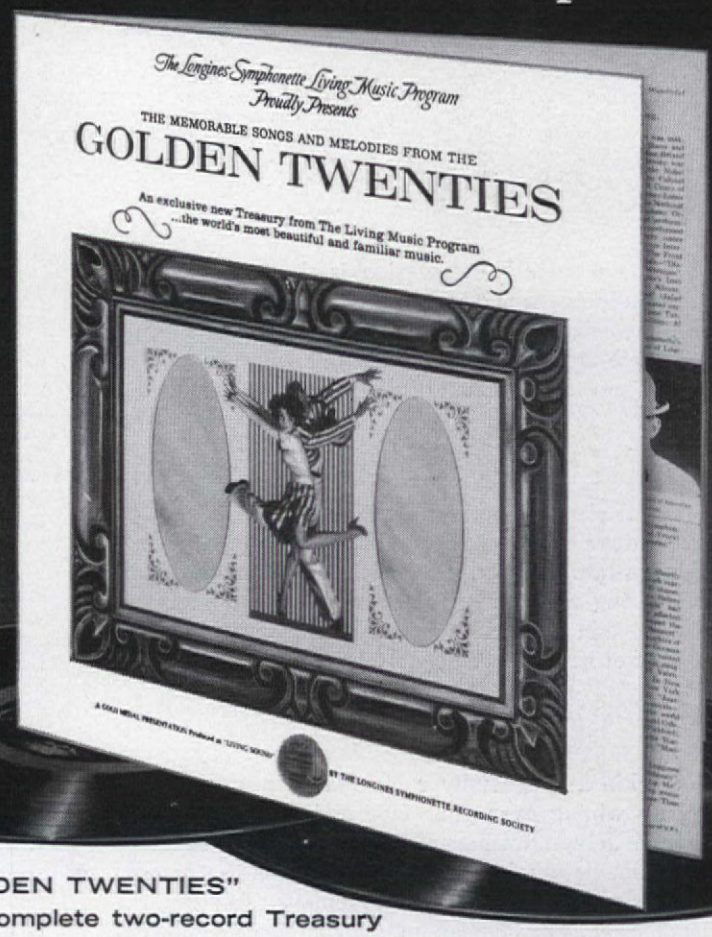

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'TIS MORE BLESSED TO WRAP THAN TO RECEIVE

By Jeanne Lamb O'Neill

Most people think the biggest job at Christmas is shopping. Not me. I think Christmas shopping is a breeze. I wouldn't dream of spending all day buying presents. I just spend all night wrapping them.

I know it's silly to fuss over fancy bows for husband and small children. I know that all my pretty frippery will be here today and gone up in smoke tomorrow. But I can't help it. I was born with a roll of cellophane tape in my fist, and I'd rather wrap than eat or sleep or, for that matter, unwrap my own loot under the tree.

As you might guess, I come from a long line of wrappers. My mother is a wrapper. So are all my sisters. I never feel spooky in the still of two a.m. (four a.m. on Christmas Eve). I know I'm not alone. Somewhere there's another light still burning and another hum-hummy, wrap-happy soul still up to her ears in tissue and tags.

What do you remember most about Christmas? Of course, I loved all the traditional fun and flurry—the greens all over the house, the smell of cookies in the oven, the music in the air, the mailman at the door. But, to me, Christmas was the sound of my mother wrapping presents behind the door. Oh, the delicious rustlings of paper and the merry clickings of scissors! Oh, the mysterious bumpings and thumpings! Who cared if there was no Santa Claus? My sisters and I didn't shed a tear when we found out. It was much more thrilling to have a mother than a Santa. Every night we'd fall asleep to the sweet, swishing sound of her wrapping, and every morning we'd see the piles of gay, glittering packages grow higher and higher. There was no use her trying to hide them from us. Even her cedar closet and two huge walk-ins couldn't hold the bounty. Presents overflowed the beds and chairs and tables like a pot of boiling oatmeal.

It never occurred to us to peek inside our presents. It was enough just to oh and ah at the outsides. Look at the great big pink one with angels—oh, it's for me! What could the little holly one for Dorrie be? Look, Gail—two new ones for you! Don't cry, Marcia—you forgot to count all yours under the bed. Of course, we were greedy, beady-eyed little siblings. We kept score not only of the number of boxes for each but of how many square boxes, heavy boxes, long boxes, rattly boxes. Mother must have spent as much time with a yardstick as with scissors, but somehow we always came out even. She may have been tempted to simply buy four of everything, wrap them all the same, and be done with it—but I'm sure that would have spoiled her fun as much as ours.

Once we were old enough to keep a secret the wrapping fun really began. We got to peek at the other girls' presents and hold our fingers on the knots while mother tied the bows. I know now that holding a finger on the knot is like boiling pots of water before the baby comes—just something to make people feel useful. Mother didn't need our silly fingers in the way, but we learned an awful lot about wrapping while we were at it. Hanging onto knots till our fingers tingled, how could we help but learn how to tie a fancy bow? How could we help but learn to put ribbon on diagonally, tuck a pretty corner, fold a neat overflap, and fill in the bare midriff when the paper's too small for the box?

Mother knew all the tricks of the trade, but it takes more than nimble fingers to wrap a pretty present. My mother wraps the prettiest presents in the world. And I don't mean like the gorgeous, gussied-up creations in the Deluxe Gift Wrap departments in the stores—they're better. Store-wrapped presents have no warmth or love or oomph. For as long as I can remember, mother's presents have never looked like anyone else's. Even when the gift-wrap industry was in diapers and all you could buy was white tissue paper, green and red twine, and Santa Claus stickers, the presents under our tree had a special glow. They glittered, sparkled, and gleamed—and were always swathed in the widest, honest-to-goodness satin ribbon you could buy.

Today the gift-wrap departments

are bulging with magnificent makings—sumptuous foils, lavish pre-tied pompons, elegant matching tags. Even the laziest wrapper couldn't go wrong. And you could spend more on Christmas wrappings than you used to spend on Christmas altogether. But I guess I'm my mother's daughter. For all the lavish displays in the stores, I fret more over my wrappings than I do over my shopping list. I'm scared to death I'll pick the same paper or color or motif as someone else's. I'd rather show up at a party in somebody else's dress than show up at Christmas in somebody else's wrappings. I have to be "different," and heaven only knows what gimmick I'll hit on next. There was my glitter year—remembered by all for the artistic, personalized hand-decorating on their packages, and the sprinkles in their laps. There was my cellophane year—what would you do if you found 20 rolls of cellophane ribbon in the attic? There was my nature year (fresh greens, holly berries, and pine cones), my pink-and-orange year, my gold mesh year, and my sincere year (plain old white tissue and plain old red ribbon). But my greatest coup was the wallpaper dodge. But, of course, wallpaper! It's cheaper than wrapping paper, especially if you buy remnants and odd lots. It comes in handy rolls that last forever and cover any size package. And it's Christmasy as all get-out. I've used sumptuous white brocade, gleaming gold damask, snowflakes on a bed of green, olde English hunting scenes, and merry, Pennsylvania-Dutch prints. Best of all, there isn't a chance in a million of anyone stealing your stuff.

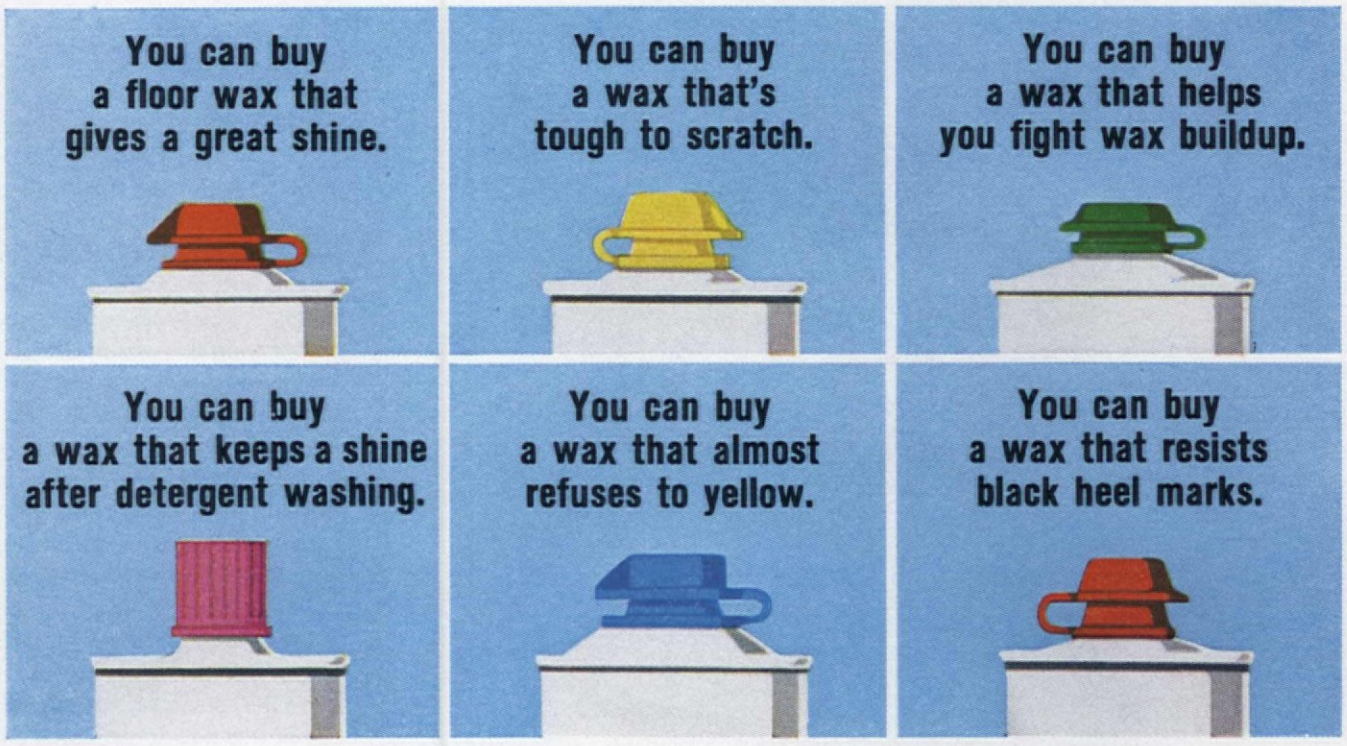
I'm the gimmick wrapper in the family (not to slight Aunt Minerva, who outdid herself one Christmas covering everything in Contact). And everyone else in the family has a style all her own. We never have to peek at the tags to know whose presents are whose. Dorrie's presents are elegant, soft-spoken, and in impeccable taste. She likes subtle, solid-colored papers and great swaths of silk satin ribbon (remember mama?). Gail is a traditionalist. She wouldn't be caught dead with purple polka dots or kooky-chic modern designs—her presents are Santa-red, Christmas-tree-green, and snow-white. Marcia's presents are easiest of all to spot—she's a coverer instead of a wrapper. She covers the top and bottom of the box separately, so you can put the present back together good as new. It makes for a very neat tree, but, in my case, a very messy basement. After she's gone to all that trouble, I can't bear to throw the pretty boxes away. So there they sit till next Christmas—when they're too lopsided to use and I'm bored with them anyway.

To tell the truth, I save plain, ordinary boxes, too, and great hulking cartons of old paper and ribbon. By this time, I should know that I can get all the fresh, new boxes I want next year—that no matter how neatly I fold the paper it will look like Santa slept in it, but even the children know better than to toss anything in the fireplace. They know I'll leap right in after it. Naturally, I save all the little doodads that came on people's gifts. It would be sinful to splurge on velvet roses and gilded angels if you weren't sure they'd be used again and again. The trick is to remember *whose* present the dachshund on ice skates came on.

I've pigeonholed everyone else's style of wrapping, but what about my mother's? Try as I may, I can't pin down mother's presents. I think I know why. Our presents all look like us, but mother's presents look like *you*. If it's a present for Cindy, all the angels will have Cindy's nose and her ponytail. Sean's present will have Santa in a football helmet and John's will be sprinkled with gourmet recipes. I haven't a notion how Mother's presents for me will look, but I'll know they're for me, the minute I see them.

It's too bad that children have to outgrow Santa. But I'm tickled pink that ours have. No more hiding things all over the house, and forgetting where they're hidden. No more buying one kind of paper for regular presents and another kind for Santa's. (I was always leaving the Santa paper out by mistake—and I never could forge his name properly.) Now we can start wrapping! Now I can wrap and they can wrap, and soon the presents will overflow the beds, chairs, and tables like a pot of boiling oatmeal, and isn't that the best part of Christmas?

(Say, honey, could you hold your finger on this knot for me, please?)



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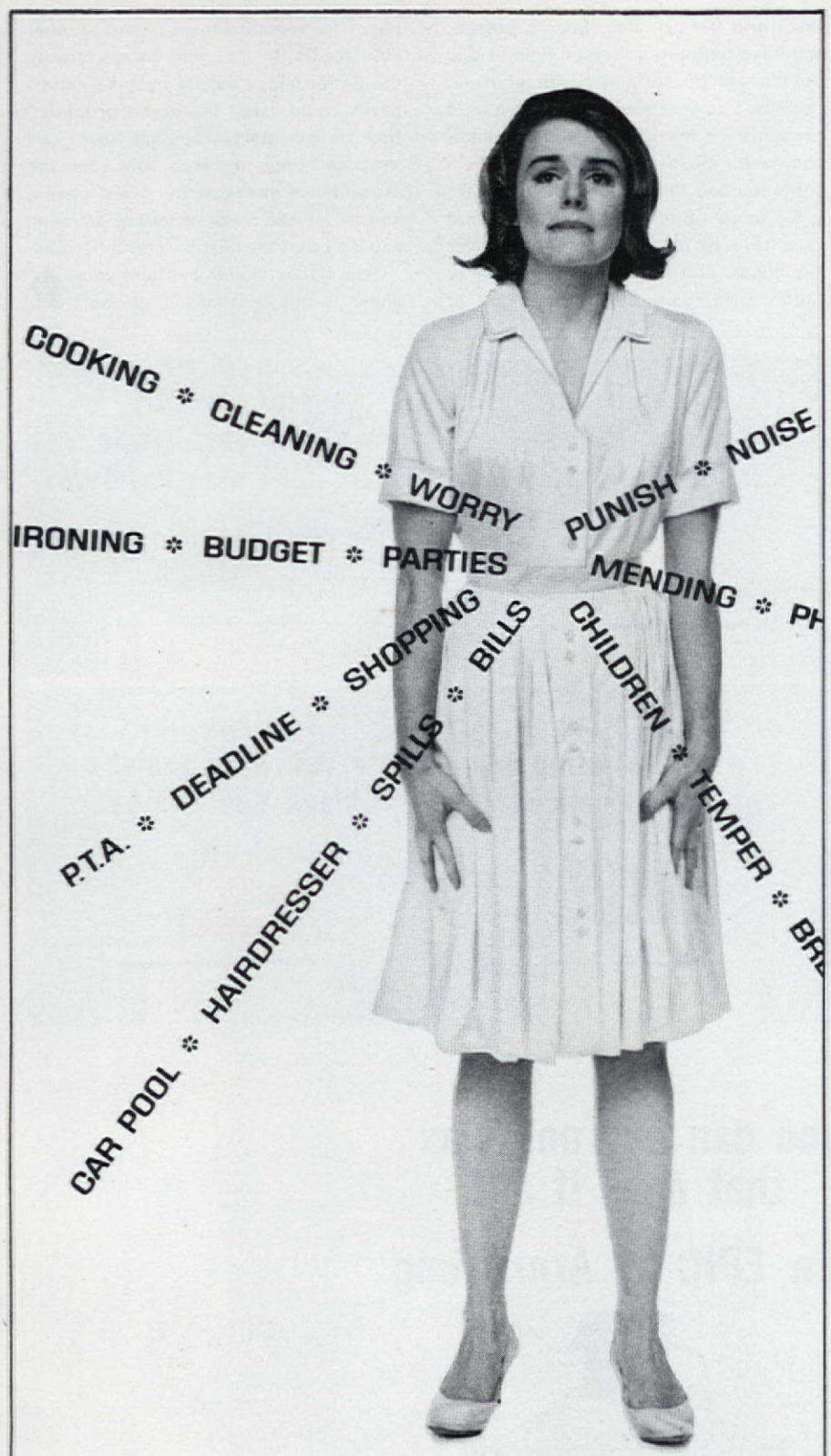

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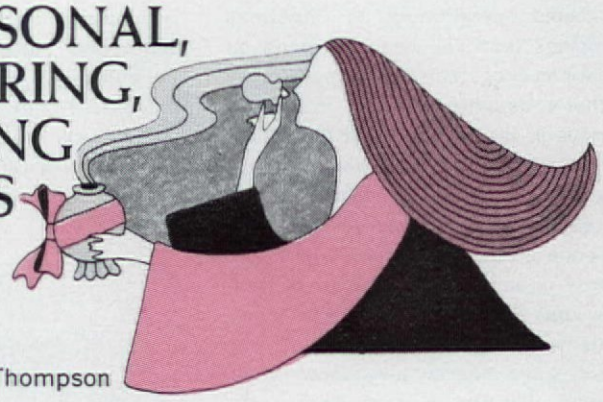

By Alice Thompson

HIM TO HER. She doesn't give you even a clue when you ask her what she wants for Christmas? Here are a few—hopefully for gifts that will not be returned after the Day! Begin with fragrance. Not perfume . . . fragrance! Most young wives prefer one of the many relatives of perfume rather than the essence itself. For the liberal, frequent way they like to use scent, they tend to think perfume is too extravagant or too strong. So choose toilet water, cologne, body perfume, body spray, after-bath sprays, powders, sachets. Here are some you might look for: Revlon's Aquamarine, which comes in lovely velveteen sachet puffs, a powder Pompom, and cologne; Rubinstein's new Emotion; Max Factor's Promesse, a floral bouquet; Patou's new Câline, lighter than his famous Joy and very piquant; Guerlain's five classic fragrances, now in Body Spray; Savon Claire's nondrying Body Perfume; Dior's Diorissimo in an aerosol spray, pure perfume but downright thrifty to use in this new form; Estée Lauder's Youth Dew; Shulton's popular Desert Flower, now available in After Bath lotion and Moisturizing Skin Sachet.

Other beauty gifts: Revlon's Mini-Purse. This brocade evening bag has a gilt frame, includes a little Love Pat compact and Superlustrous lipstick; very elegant and less than $7. Corday's Fragrance Key Ring, a "gold" filigree locket holding a perfumed sachet tablet in any of the three Corday scents; locket is attached to a link chain and key ring, packaged in a brocade-patterned gift box; less than $5. Vanity Carousel is an ivory plastic, two-tiered accessory for her dressing table. Only 12 inches in diameter with adjustable lift-out mirror, it provides plenty of space for hair rollers, cosmetics; by Rubbermaid, under $10. Fabergé's Jewel Roll holds purse perfume dispenser and can be used when traveling or coddling one's jewels at home; less than $5.

HER TO HIM. Most men under 50 admit they like fragrance and toilet aids created just for their use. If your man is still a bit conservative, choose his fragrance gift in the form of soap, after-shave, talc—instead of cologne. Here are some of the newer scents: Revlon's Pub, very Londony, in very male (and amusing) packages, single items, and sets. Also quite new to this country, Guerlain's Habit Rouge (means hunting coat) in cologne, after-shave, and shaving cream; Lentheric's Onyx, in single items and sets, a striking duo of cologne and after-shave for $7.50; Kent of London's cologne and other grooming items; Yardley's Jaguar; Lanvin's Figaro; Max Factor's Royal Regiment Cologne Cannon.

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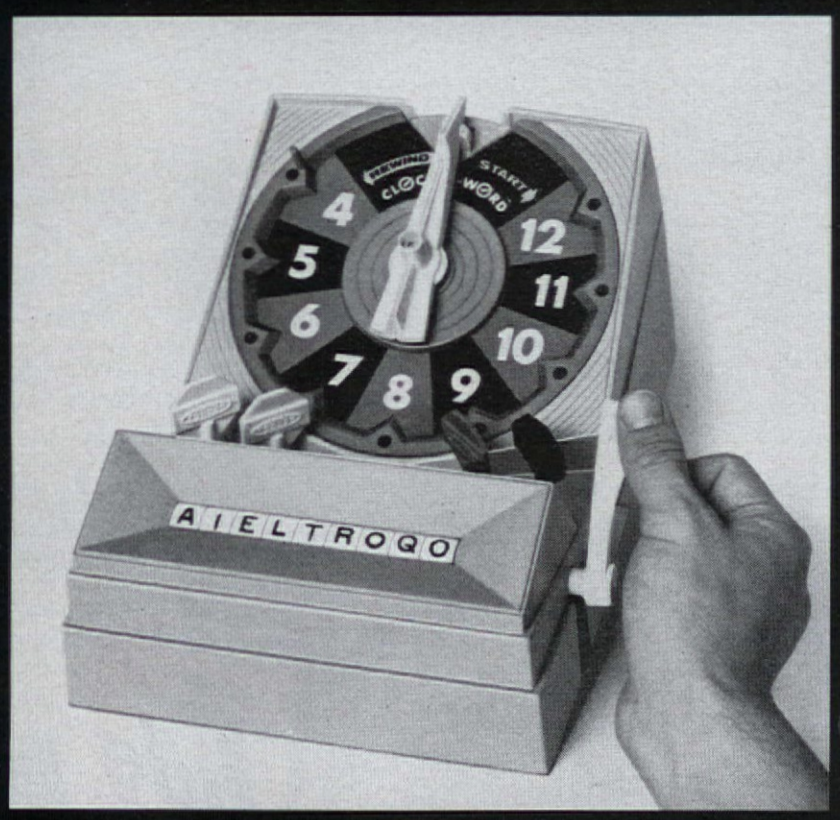

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ARE YOUR CHILDREN LEARNING TO MANAGE THEIR MONEY?

By Mary Feeley

How old should your child be before he gets his first lesson in handling money? A safe answer is: sooner than you did. The pace at which money is flowing into youthful hands today would have raised the blood pressure of other generations. Children's allowances reflect the prosperity we live in. The teen-age national average for earned income is up from $9.45 in 1961, as estimated by the National Education Association, to $10.40 a week according to the Institute of Life Insurance.

Since there are more than 24 million teen-agers, most with some funds to spend, they represent an impressive economic segment. In fact, many young people have more discretionary money in their pockets today than their elders have.

Further, economists point to the increase in teen-age charge accounts as a significant indication of two developments:

Youth's challenge to the purchasing power of a dollar, and an earlier grasp of credit convenience.

Both of these attitudes are commendable. But the end results are apt to be fortuitous if some early commonsense education in money management paves the way. Granted, learning through trial and error is everybody's privilege up to a point. But the earlier the errors are made the better.

A POCKETFUL OF CHANGE

Steps in helping your child learn to respect money as a means to worthwhile ends can begin early and develop as he does. The physical pleasure and drama of handling coins is savored quite a while before a regular allowance is in order. Such props as imaginative home banks, coin holders, and money trees make gifts of money from relatives exciting—and provide a good place to save money.

ALLOWANCE AND BANK ACCOUNT

Timing a child's first allowance to his entry into first grade is logical. At this age most children feel pride in a certain amount of responsibility—and should be taught to assume it. While some of the allowance is for "free spending," some part of it should buy something really needed—perhaps an inexpensive item used at school. And certainly some part must go into savings. Regardless of the amount you give him, hold fast to these three rules.

How much to save? A sum equal to from five to 15 percent of income is a realistic backlog—a minimum range—at any age. While you may not be able to explain this philosophical point on the first try, be firm about it.

One thing you can explain, even to a six- or seven-year-old, is how his savings can earn more money for him: The bank is glad to pay him something if he lets it use his money while he doesn't need it. The something is called interest, and it's a way of saying "thank you" in money instead of words. Point out that as soon as he puts as much as $1 in his home bank, it can be taken to the big bank to earn more.

Introducing the mechanics of banking and handling money to ages 7 to 11 may well start with the opening of the child's first savings account, in his own name. Take him to the bank with you so he can see the procedure. His passbook will further his feeling of status.

This is the time, too, to let him graduate from a coin purse or holder to a regular wallet if he hasn't already done so. By now he'll want and need to carry money with him. Lunches, school supplies, and maybe transportation can be involved. But discourage carrying surplus funds. Having "extra" money within easy reach is a hazard—easy reach usually means easy go. This is sometimes the case even with adults.

KEEPING A RECORD OF SPENDING

While you can't expect real bookkeeping at this point, a simple jotting (continued on page 109)

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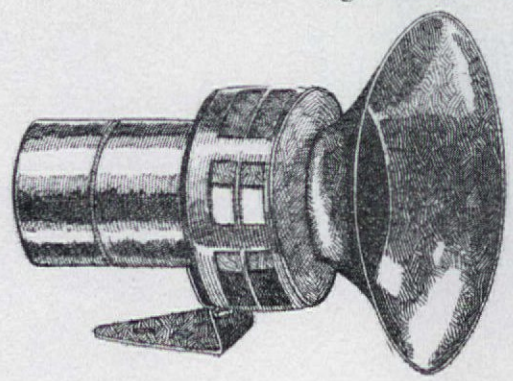
GIFTS FOR MEN

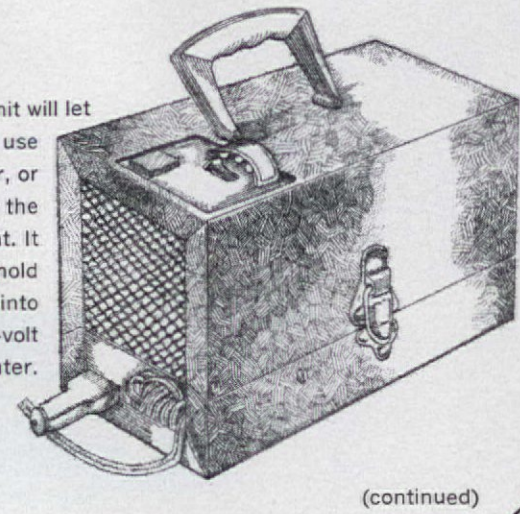
Want an unusual Christmas gift for your husband? Why not something that's "practically extravagant"? Such items seem extravagant because they're so specialized, one would seldom use them. But what makes them practical is the fact that when they're needed, nothing else will quite do the job. A few possibilities ranging from a car burglar alarm to a portable winch are shown here. Put your imagination to work, ask him a few discreet questions, and you'll find there are dozens more to choose from.

High-intensity lamp with magnetic base is at home on a power tool or on a desk, workbench, or drafting table.



Burglar alarm lets out a high-pitched wail if anyone opens the family car, lifts the hood, releases the emergency brake, or opens the trunk.

Power supply unit will let him watch TV, use an electric shaver, or listen to a hi-fi set in the woods or on a boat. It recharges from household current or by plugging into the socket of a 12-volt automobile cigarette lighter.



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1. Heat oven to very slow (250°).

2. Melt butter in shallow pan over low heat. Stir in Worcestershire sauce and seasoned salt.

3. Add Chex and nuts. Mix over low heat until all pieces are coated.

4. Heat in oven 45 minutes. Stir every 15 minutes. Spread out on absorbent paper to cool. Yield: 6-3/4 cups.

*Instead of seasoned or savor salt, try 3/8 teaspoon onion powder and 3/8 teaspoon salt OR 3/8 teaspoon garlic powder and 3/8 teaspoon salt

**If unsalted nuts are used, increase amount of seasoned salt to 2 teaspoons. Or use: 3/4 teaspoon onion powder and 3/4 teaspoon salt OR 3/8 teaspoon garlic powder and 3/8 teaspoon salt

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GIFTS FOR MEN
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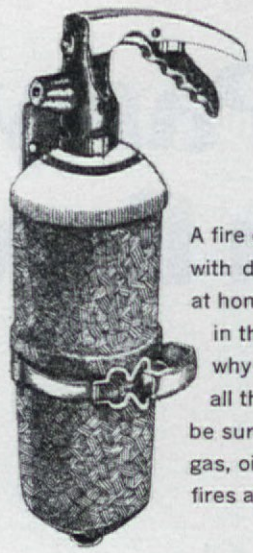
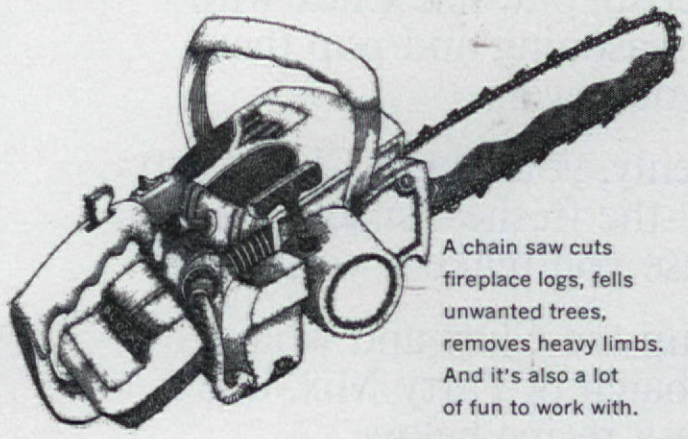
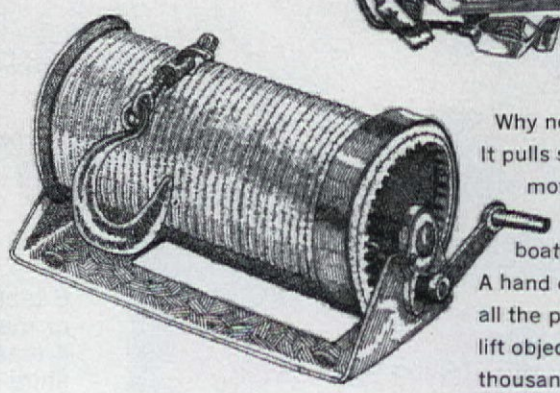


A fire extinguisher charged with dry chemicals adds safety at home, in a workshop, or in the family car. In fact, why not get one for all three places? Just be sure they're good for gas, oil, and electrical fires and UL approved.

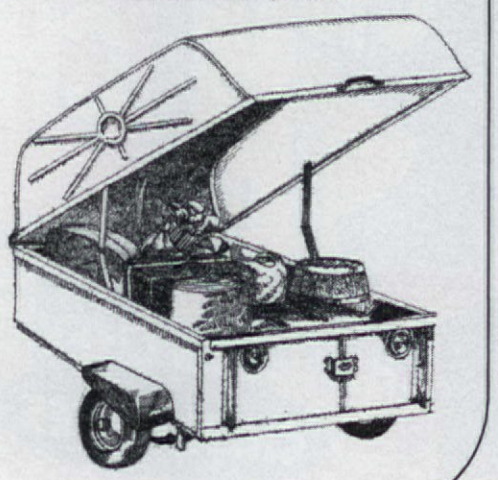


A chain saw cuts fireplace logs, fells unwanted trees, removes heavy limbs. And it's also a lot of fun to work with.

A battery charger uses house electricity to put the zip back into a rundown car or boat battery. Aside from saving your husband's temper, it will save you many a charging bill.



Why not a winch? It pulls stumps, lifts heavy motors, and makes child's play of hauling a boat from the water. A hand crank provides all the power he needs to lift objects weighing thousands of pounds.



Cargo trailer hitches to the family car to carry enough vacation supplies to last a month. He might even find it will carry an antique chest or table.

By Arthur J. Maher

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EXAMINE YOUR OWN DRIVING HABITS

By William J. Toth

Many driver-safety campaigns emphasize the phrase, "Watch the other driver." One program had as its slogan "Drive as if every other driver is crazy." There is no doubt that to drive defensively, you must keep an eye on the other driver. But blaming the other driver for everything only serves to excuse your own driving errors.

To improve your own driving you must admit, if only to yourself, that you make mistakes. And then with the knowledge of good driving, earnestly try to correct bad habits, improve skills, and give your driving the full attention it deserves.

Remember too that many of your driving errors may not necessarily be unlawful, but rather are just discourtesies. This can be contagious. Have you ever wondered why other drivers give you a hard time? Have you ever had them blast their horns at you or yell? You might have provoked this reaction by one of your own bad habits. How many of the following errors do you commit?

FAILURE TO WARN

Failing to warn other drivers of what you intend to do, before you do it, is one of the most common mistakes. In most states the law makes a signal necessary every time you change direction or speed. This includes turning, stopping, slowing, pulling from the curb, and changing lanes. Many who do signal do it as they begin the maneuver so that the effectiveness of the signal is nil. Give your signal at least four seconds before making your move. This will give the other driver time to think and react.

FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY

If you cannot put a car between you and the car ahead for every ten miles per hour of speed, then you are tailgating. You're traveling in a trap. The least inattention on your part, and slowing of the car ahead, means you cannot react in time to avoid hitting him. Throw in rain, snow, sand, wet leaves, or any other condition that will cause you to skid and the tailgating becomes even more dangerous. Present-day speeds demand you keep back where you have time and space to react properly. Actually, by staying back you can see more and farther ahead.

Don't worry about cars getting in between you and the car ahead. Let them in. The few minutes you lose on a crowded highway is insignificant. A study showed that during a 25-mile trip less than five minutes was lost by letting other drivers in. Saving time is, therefore, not a valid excuse for tailgating.

Tailgating on a high-speed highway is sheer suicide. In fact, many authorities recommend two car lengths for every ten miles of speed.

Remember when you see that the brake lights of the car ahead are on, his brakes are already on and you still have to lift your foot from the gas and apply yours.

TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS

Amazingly enough, most motorists can always justify speeding . . . claiming lateness for an appointment, getting to the bank before closing, catching a plane. You name it and the excuse has been used. But no excuse ever justified the accidents resulting from too much speed.

Calmly reading this you agree that life is of supreme importance and you place a high value on it. But behind the wheel with the mental pressures of traffic and a pressing appointment, you soon tend to forget safety and survival and push down on the accelerator and hope you'll make it. Is it really worth it? Will you be lucky and just have a close shave or have a policeman stop you in time or must you learn that experience can be a bitter and sorrowful lesson?

Although a great number of speed limits are set by engineering techniques varying conditions of weather, congestion, and even your own condition could reduce the limit further. Are you aware that the maximum speed limit is not always the safest?

A SLOW-MOVING ROADBLOCK

How many times have you found yourself leading a "parade" of other motorists who cannot pass you? Chances are you are moving too slow for the flow of traffic. You cannot drive with continuous and complete attention ahead of you only; you must know what is going on behind you. Is there an emergency vehicle approaching, are you being tailgated, are you holding up traffic? . . . glancing in the mirror every five seconds or so will complete your circle of awareness around your car.

A slow-moving car can cause hundreds of drivers to become impatient and emotionally upset. Upset to the point where they lose their sense of reason and will attempt to pass with insufficient room, or between cars, or tailgate and become susceptible to an accident.

Incidentally, if a passing car becomes involved in an accident, chances are you too will be a participant. If you can't move along with the general speed of traffic, use another road or pull off and let the other cars by.

PULLING INTO FAST TRAFFIC

Closely related to the slow driver is the driver who pulls out of a side road into the path and the same direction of a fast-moving vehicle. This again is sheer suicide. Many times it is impossible for the fast vehicle to avoid hitting you. You have just stepped into a trap and made yourself the bait. It makes no difference if the vehicle is over the limit or not.

However, if traffic is heavy and you find it difficult to get into the flow of traffic, you must necessarily pull into an opening when it appears. If this is the case, turn your wheels and be ready to take off with deliberate speed. This is where your car's horsepower can be used to advantage. This is one reason why you should know your car's potential and limitations. It can be disastrous to find that the old car doesn't have it.

THE SQUARE TURN

Is there any other kind? Yes, there is. Many older drivers found it necessary to swing left about a yard before turning right because of steering difficulties found in early-day cars. This can be most disconcerting to drivers in the left lane or following.

Present-day cars have improved steering and modern-designed roadways have eliminated the need for this old technique.

Approach any turn in the proper lane traveling in a straight line. When you are ready to turn, turn directly and smoothly.

ONE FOR THE ROAD?

It is almost impossible to go out socially without being offered a drink. If you are driving, you must resist the temptation. For we now know that alcohol has been a factor in over 50 percent of all traffic fatalities. One drink alone can impair your abilities, and your sense of reason as well.

Alcohol is a depressant, not a stimulant, and cannot be counteracted by black coffee. Time is the only real soberer. Alcohol and any other bad habit can be the right combination for trouble.

13 BAD HABITS

Thirteen may be an unlucky number for you but any of the following bad habits are sure invitations to serious trouble. Most of them can be corrected with a little time and attention.

- Backing out of the driveway, you don't look behind the car.
- With kids in the car, you don't take the keys when you run into a store—you'll only be a minute.
- When you gas up, you don't take time to have them check under the hood.
- When you run down to the store, you don't buckle your seat belt.
- You buckle your seat belt for high-speed travel, never in city traffic.
- By eating a sandwich while driving you save much time traveling.
- You don't stop to read a map, it's easy to do while you are driving.
- To arrive well groomed, you comb your hair, straighten your clothes while driving.
- You look at any passenger when you speak to him, even if he's in the back seat.
- You drive one handed—this way you can be resting one arm and be relaxed.
- You wait until it is really dark before you put on your lights. Why waste electricity?
- You drive off with the windows fogged up inside—you can clean them as you travel.
- You don't seat-belt the kids in—after all the doors are locked.

BE HONEST WITH YOURSELF

The first step to improve your driving habits is to admit you make mistakes. Then learn the right way and give your driving full attention. Remember—you are the other driver too.

Mr. Toth is a professor at the Center for Safety Education, New York University.

Holiday Fruitcake

Mix it yourself in 9½ minutes...can't fail! Great for gifts!

The time-saving secret? Borden's has premixed most of this cake for you. None Such Mince Meat is a spicy blend of 21 good fruitcake fixings...all fixed for you: apples, raisins, currants, spices, cider . . . many more. Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk is a blend of whole milk and sugar, precooked to velvet smoothness—to shorten your blending time.

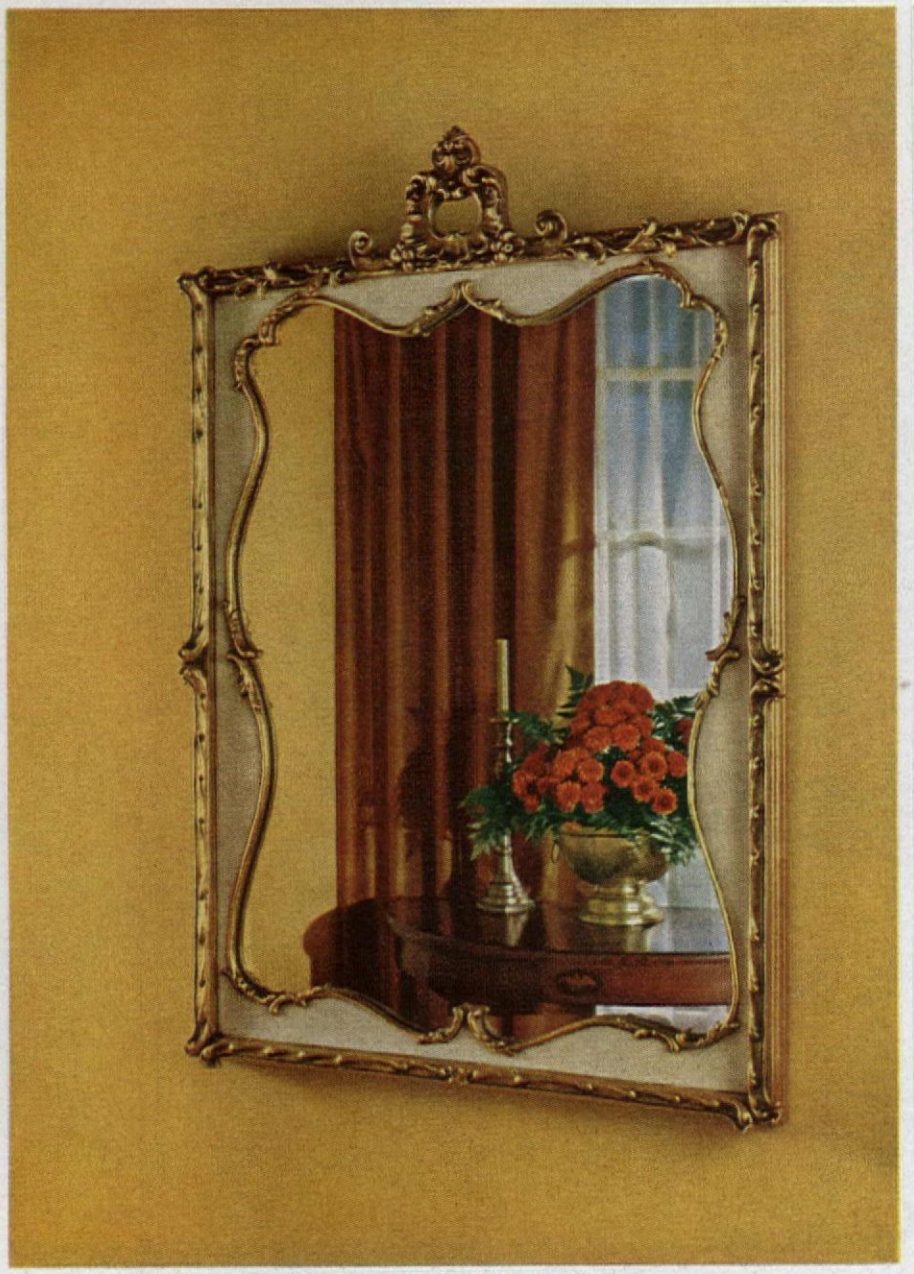
Holiday Fruitcake
2½ cups sifted flour • 1 teaspoon baking soda • 2 eggs, lightly beaten
1 jar (28 oz.) Borden's Ready-to-Use None Such Mince Meat*
1⅓ cups (15-oz. can) Borden's Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
1 cup walnut meats, coarsely chopped
2 cups (1-lb. jar) mixed candied fruit (we suggest Borden's Tropical Brand)

Butter 9-inch tube pan or spring form. Line with waxed paper. Butter again. Sift flour and baking soda. Combine eggs, Mince Meat, Eagle Brand, fruit and nuts. Fold in dry ingredients. Pour into pan. Bake in slow (300°F.) oven 2 hours, until center springs back and top is golden. Cool. Turn out; remove paper. Decorate as shown, if desired.

Borden's Very Big On Flavor

**Either the regular ready-to-use Mince Meat or...for extra flavor...the new None Such with Brandy & Rum. To use None Such in the 9-oz. box, crumble contents of two boxes into saucepan, add 1½ cups water, heat and stir until lumps are broken, boil for one minute, cool.*

Get 50¢ cash! Send one (1) Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk label and one (1) None Such Mince Meat label to the Borden Co., Dept. AH 126, Box 38-B, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. 10557. We'll send you 50¢ cash!



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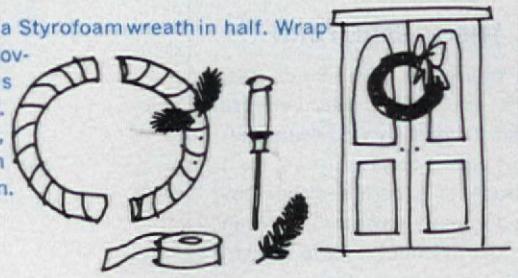
35 SMALL WAYS TO MAKE CHRISTMAS MERRY

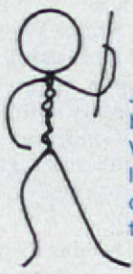
Take a look at our potpourri of Christmas gifts, decorations, and entertaining ideas and see if you don't agree they're easy, quick to make. You can fit them in, very neatly, between wrapping and trimming the tree.

Hatbox Drum. Spray hatbox with blue paint, rims red. Glue white cord from top to bottom around rim. Fill with small gifts or use to conceal a tree stand.

Wreath for Double Door. Cut a Styrofoam wreath in half. Wrap each half with masking tape, covering completely. Punch holes in masking tape with an awl. Insert evergreens in holes, pushing in firmly. Add ribbon bow and cover ends with ribbon.



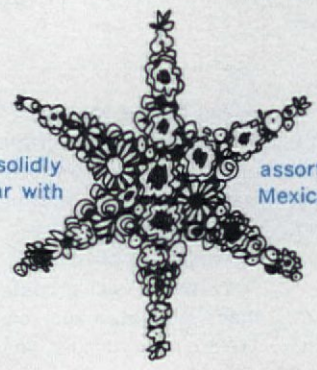
Pitchers of Greens. Arrange a set of inexpensive, graduated white pitchers filled with evergreens on a mantel or table. Add festive ribbon bow on one.



Jester. Make a wire form body, add Styrofoam head. Wind felt around arms and legs. Dress in felt jerkin, cap, and slippers—all bell trimmed. Paint features.

Sled. Spray a child's outgrown sled a bright color with the runners another contrasting color. Heap with gaily wrapped gifts. Tuck evergreen branches between packages. Add bow and sprinkle on "snow".

Mexican Star. Cover solidly a large Styrofoam star with assorted sizes of bright-colored Mexican paper flowers.



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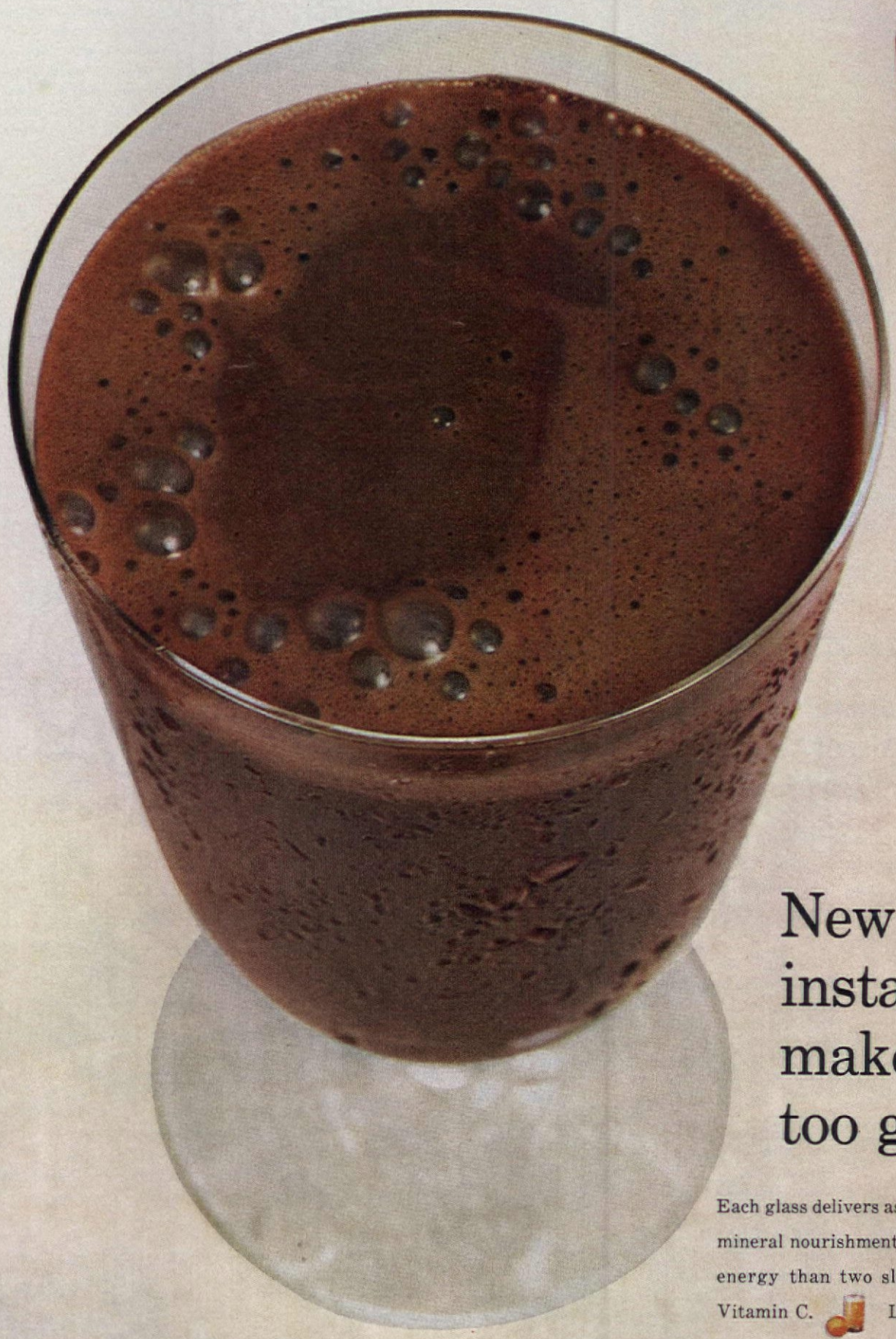
Or you should drink one.



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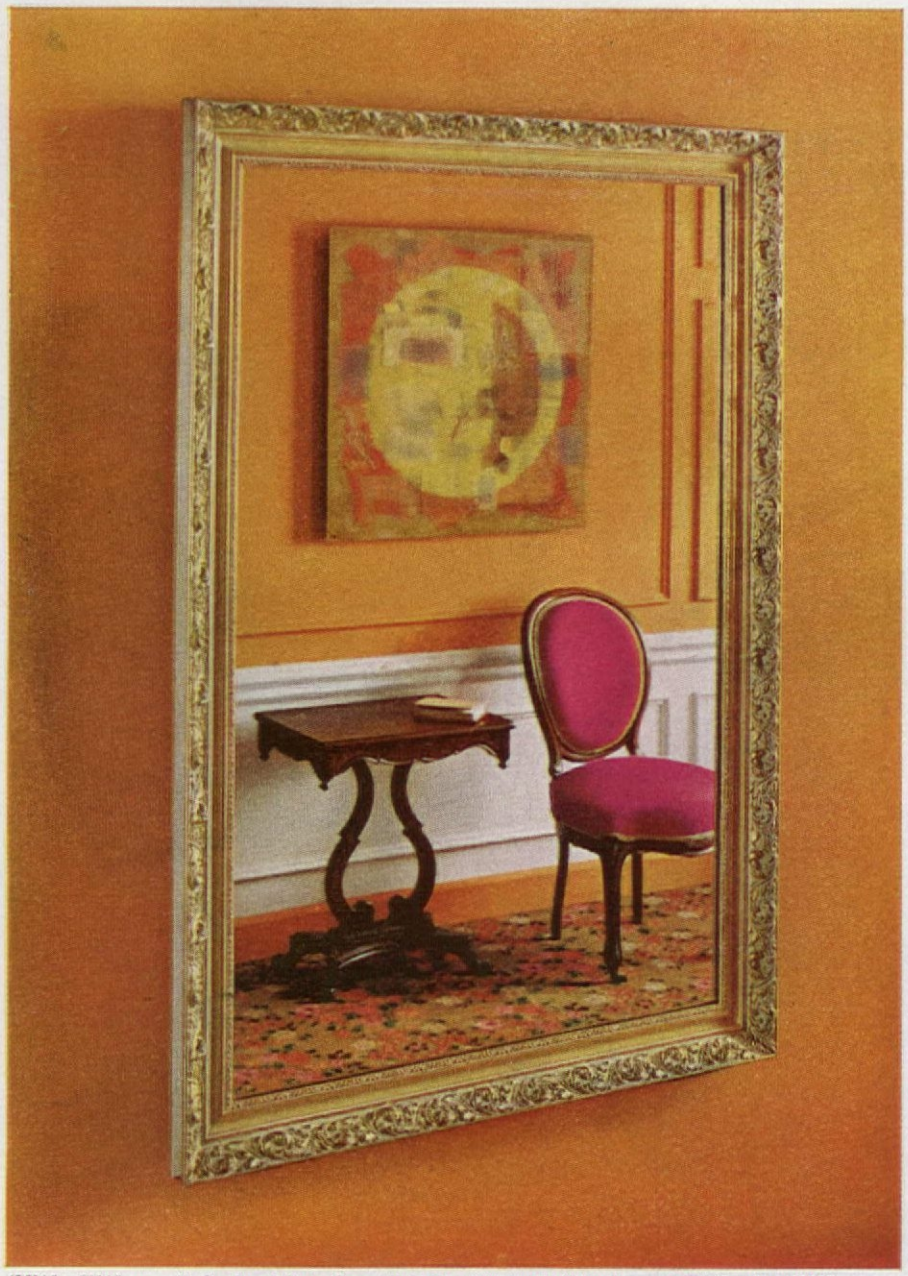

(35½" x 51½" over-all) Gardner Mirror Corp., P.O. Box 638, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina 28659

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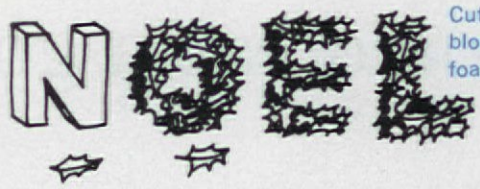
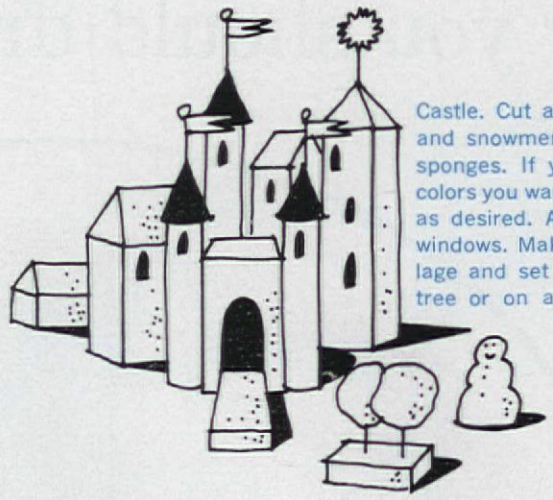


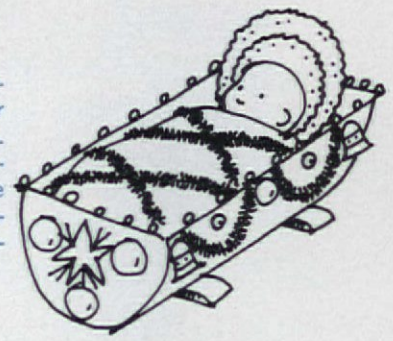
Cut letters N O E L from Styrofoam blocks. Punch holes into Styrofoam with a sharp nail and thrust sprigs of holly into holes. Wonderful for door or mantel.



Castle. Cut a castle, trees, and snowmen from plastic sponges. If you can't find colors you want, spray them as desired. Add pennants, windows. Make a whole village and set up under the tree or on a mantelpiece.

Bottled Trees. Fill a bottle on its side with a layer of "snow." Slip (top first) "snow" covered evergreen sprigs, decorated with glued-on star sequins, carefully into bottle with toaster tongs; position trees upright.

Dove. Make a two-dimensional white dove from white cardboard. Wings can be inserted in slot cut in the bird's body.



Christ Child. Cover a round cardboard box with lovely paper or fabric. Add cardboard rockers. Glue on baubles and green garlands. Place tiny doll in cradle with gold paper lace doilies forming halo. Cover with a blanket—crisscrossed with garlands.

Holiday Valance. Make a shaped, felt valance for over window or mantel. Trim with evergreens, Christmas balls, and big fat golden tassels.

Silver Bowl. Fill a big glass punch bowl with silver balls of varied sizes. Heap them high, large ones on bottom.

Personal Tokens. Instead of cards, send special friends a little token—preferably made by you, to add to their Christmas ornaments. Cones made of felt and brilliants and filled with Jordan almonds is one idea. Or make a loop ornament using beautiful velvet ribbon.

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The new Samsonite Woodland table: Good things come in great big packages. At a small price–only $13.95.

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Santa's Cart. Cover a box with a dazzling paper. Glue on baubles and garlands. Make gold-sprayed cardboard finials for top of corners. Add cardboard wheels, dowel stick shaft. Trim all with garlands. Place toy Santa and bag of gifts in the cart.

Topiary Tree. Use two Styrofoam balls joined with a dowel. Glue on gaily wrapped candies. Set in ribboned pot (plastic ice cream bucket). Top with a small cookie bird, star, or angel.

Napkin and Coaster Caddy. Keep napkins and coasters in an exquisite, tiered jewel case for a gracious living room buffet supper or cocktail party.

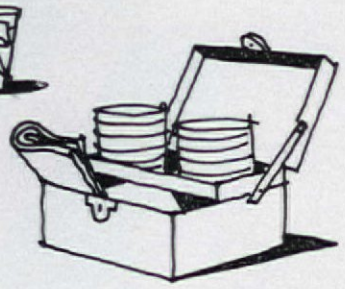

Table Talk. Cut bright red or green felt to cover coffee (or any) table. Have it reach the floor. Garland with evergreen swags, tassels, Christmas balls.

Entrance Welcome. Fi
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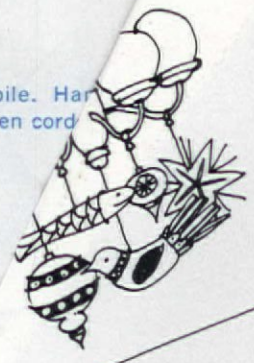

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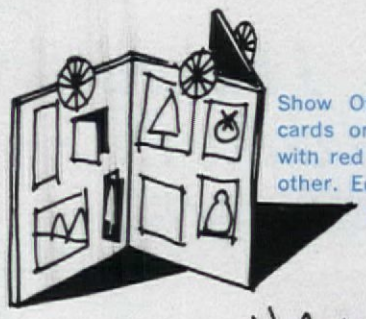
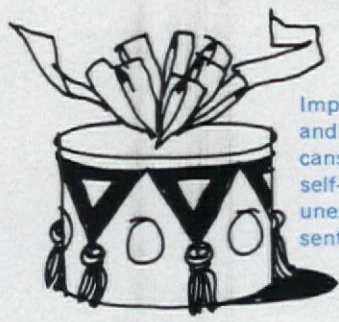
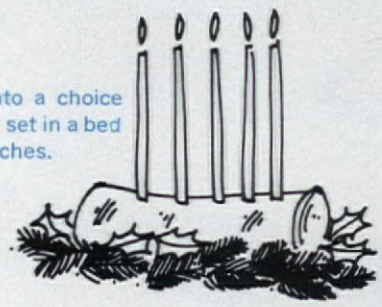


Show Off. Display favorite Christmas cards on a three-fold screen covered with red felt on one side, green on the other. Edge with gold braid. Use glass pushpins to secure the cards.

Crèche. String garlands wound with tiny tree lights on a wall (fasten with masking tape). Top with a big shining star. Arrange a half wreath of Christmas greens at base and stud with fat candles. Place the Nativity figures in the center of the wreath.



Impromptu. Pack your very best cookies and candies in very clean empty coffee cans that you've covered with decorative self-adhesive plastic. Keep in freezer for unexpected holiday guests. Before presenting, add tassels and ribbon bow.



Birch Log Candle Holder. Drill holes into a choice length of white birch log. Add candles and set in a bed of evergreens and red-berried holly branches.

Gift Holder. Use bright-colored plastic pails, straw baskets, or shiny paper sacks, one for each member of the family. Glue on big gold paper initials.

Gifts Abloom. Fasten a tiny gift on top of a thin, green painted dowel. Thrust into a small pot filled with clay. Add holly leaves.

Neat and Tidy. Cover eyeglass case and small folded portfolio for purse papers with a beautiful or amusing fabric or paper. Add ribbon tie.

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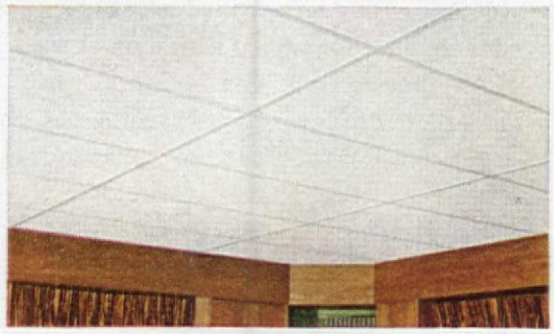

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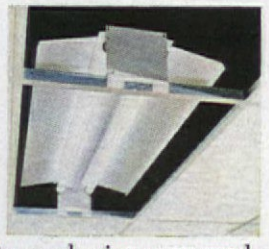

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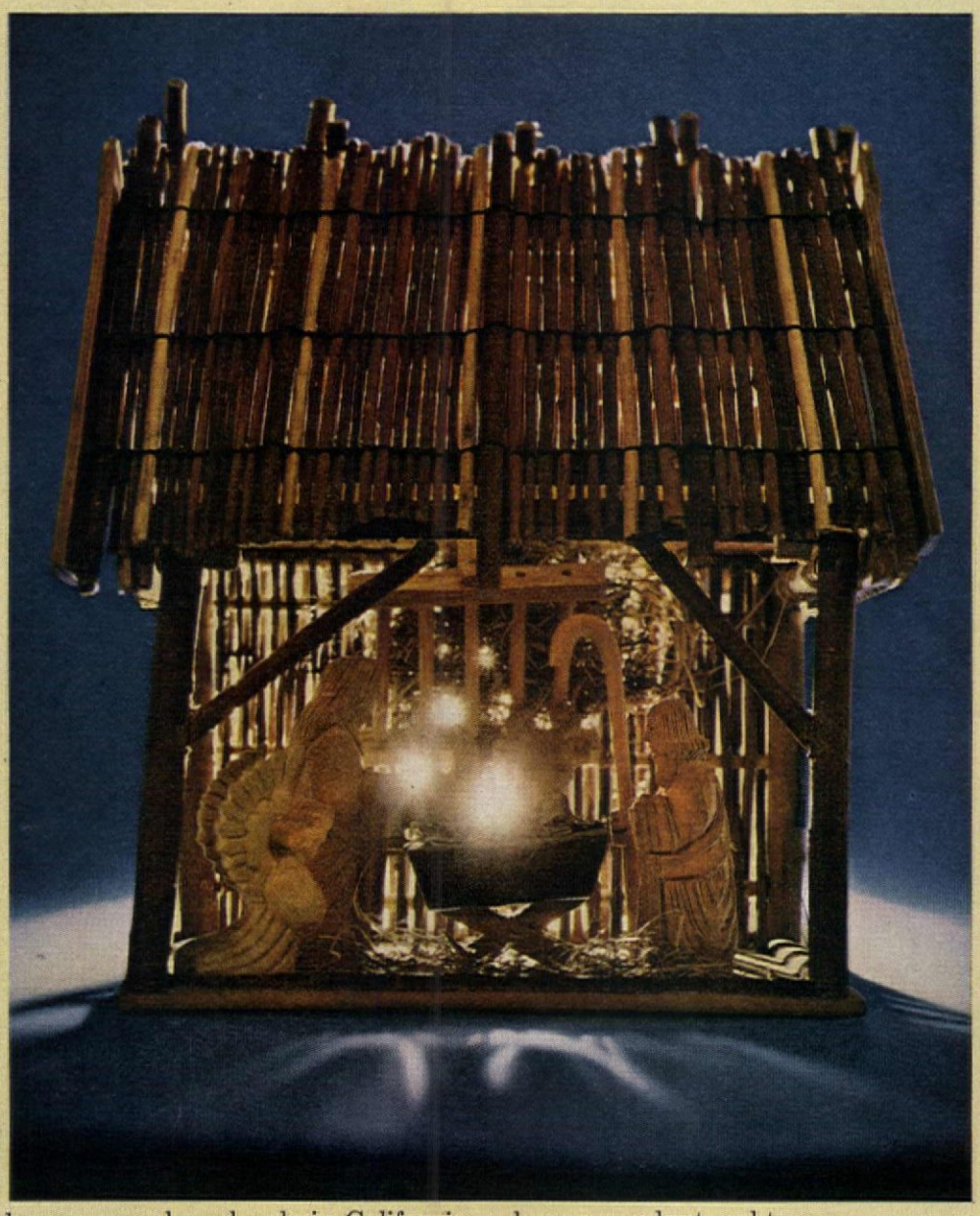

Silently and beautifully, Christmas creeps across the U.S.A. From the tip of Nantucket to Puget Sound and on to Hawaii—things are stirring. Lights go on in Atlanta, Georgia. Squeals of laughter rise up in Galesburg, Illinois. There are joyous sounds in Denver, Colorado. Wake up, you sleepyheads in California and Alaska, it's Christmas! And here we are—a lively mixture of everything you can name: English, French, German, Dutch, Italian, Scandinavian. Though we call ourselves Americans we take to our hearts the most beautiful, the most meaningful customs from all over the world. Following are just a few of these traditions—as they are observed across our country. We hope you adopt and treasure as your own some of those you are unfamiliar with. We know no better way to express what we feel so deeply at Christmas—"Peace on earth, good will to men."

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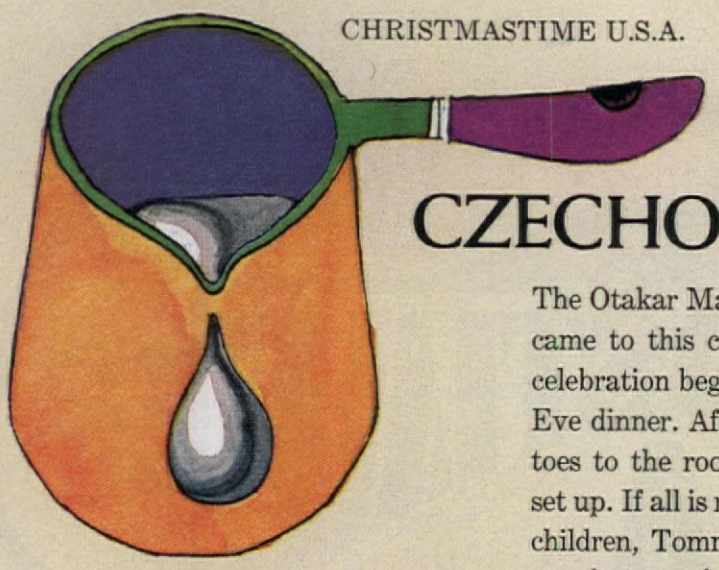


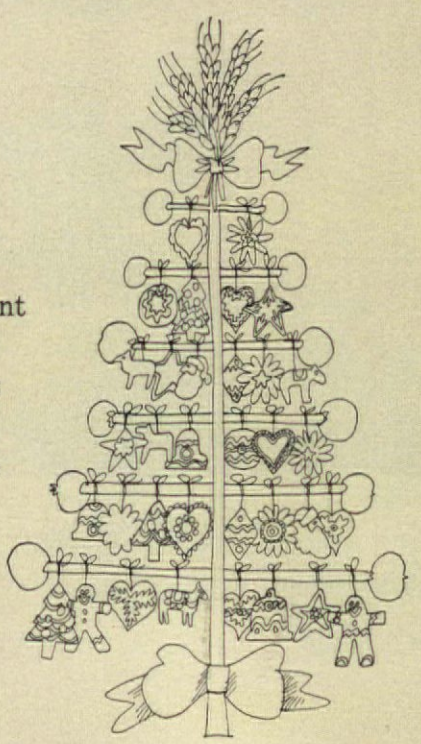
CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The Otakar Macheks of Clayton, Missouri, came to this country 18 years ago. Their celebration begins with a special Christmas Eve dinner. After dinner, Dr. Machek tiptoes to the room where the tree has been set up. If all is ready, he rings a bell and the children, Tommy, Mirka, Peter, and Eva, race in to see it. Then the family enjoys an evening of play. One ritual is the melting of lead over an open fire. Each member of the family pours a little of the liquid into water and tries to foretell his future by the shape it forms.

Another game enjoyed by the Macheks is floating candles. Tiny candles are lighted, placed in nutshells, and set afloat in a large bowl of water. Each person watches the progress of his own boat to see if he will have smooth sailing during the coming year.

PEPPARKAKOR

Weeks before Christmas, Swedish kitchens are redolent with the aroma of spices and everyone knows the pepparkakor are baking. These very thin, crisp ginger cookies are cut in fancy holiday shapes—stars, bells, horses, boys, etc.—and decorated with white frosting. They are often hung on a wooden tree. The branches of the tree have an apple at each end and the top is festooned with golden wheat. There's a recipe for pepparkakor on page 101. Try this Scandinavian tradition for your family—you'll have difficulty keeping the tree full of cookies all through the holidays.



BAVARIAN CHRISTMAS IN ASPEN, COLORADO

Ski instructors Sepp and Gretl Uhl and their children, Renate and Toni, are a real American family. But they haven't forgotten the traditions of their homeland in the Bavarian Alps. Says Gretl, "We love our family traditions *and* our new home. We like to combine the nice of each." Weeks before Christmas, the Uhls start baking and knitting. The day before Christmas, Renate and Toni deliver these gifts to family friends in a small sled. Later on Christmas Eve, the tree is decorated, gifts are exchanged, and Sepp, with his guitar, leads the family in singing carols.

Sepp fells a Christmas tree, as he did in Bavaria, and skis it home down the mountain.

Toni and Renate help their mother make the family's favorite cookies, cinnamon stars.

Every year Sepp builds a snow sculpture—a skill learned from his father in Bavaria.

The *cennone* or large dinner on December 24th is traditional with Italians. For Mr. and Mrs. Galiano Tranquilli of St. Louis, the meal starts off with spaghetti and anchovies. Next comes an assortment of fish, fresh broccoli, tossed salad, and fruits. Sweets are also served. After dinner, the Tranquilli children, Michele, Maria, and Lisa, recite poems and say prayers, and then place a figure of the infant Jesus in the manger inside the fireplace.

Italian Christmas Dinner

FROM SCOTLAND

Our midnight supper was inspired by a Scottish family, the Arthur McMasters of Chicago. Arthur and Helen McMaster, children Bob, Nancy, and Laurel, and grandmother Catherine Panwell celebrate *hogmanay* or *firstfooting*, the traditional Scottish New Year's Eve. On this special evening friends bring symbolic offerings which comprise the centerpiece below: pieces of coal to say "may you have a warm house," an evergreen bough to say "may you have a long life," and a loaf of bread "to wish you a full larder." Then gifts are exchanged and everyone joins hands to sing *Auld Lang Syne* and dance Scottish reels. The evening's highlight is late supper—meat pies, scones, little Scottish pancakes eaten with butter and jam, ginger wine and port.

For Christmas dinner in the best Scandinavian tradition (December 24th, of course), we show here a table full of ideas by Georg Jensen. Pine table has a full length centerpiece of oranges, cluster raisins, tangerines, apples, nuts (there's a nutcracker tucked in at every place). The trident candles are supplemented by Christmas-tree candles in toadstool holders (toadstools are a symbol of New Year's luck). Elaborately folded napkins are red linen to contrast with the green-and-white patterned plates. Skewered apples are for roasting later. Traditional menu would include an extensive smorgasbord of herring salad, veal loaf, head cheese, brown beans, liver pâté, sugar-cured ham, and suckling pig's head elaborately made up with caramel and colored sugar icing. Glasses hold aquavit, beer, wine.

SCANDINAVIAN TABLE SETTING

TREE FOR THE BIRDS

A charming Christmas custom in Austria is to decorate a tree for birds. Decorations are edible, consist mostly of suet rings. We know one family here who bought a live tree each year, used it as a bird feeding station during the holidays and then planted it (hole was dug earlier).

In Ireland, the man of the house sets a two-foot Christmas candle, usually a red one decorated with holly sprigs, in the main window of the house. It is the custom for the youngest child in the family to light the candle. Some households have a candle for each member of the family.

GREEK NEW YEAR

In Greece, January 1st is also Saint Basil's Day. It is traditional for families to have a honey-and-nut cake. A gold coin is placed in the cake before baking. The father cuts the cake midnight New Year's Eve. The first serving is reserved for Saint Basil, the second for the house, the remaining for each member of the family. The one who gets the gold coin will have good luck for the coming year. If it is in the Saint's or the house's portion, everyone will share in the good fortune.

MEXICO

Mexican Christmas observances have always been popular in California and the Southwest. Our photographs here were inspired by a description sent us by Virginia and Lazaro Luna of Fresno, California. The chief customs you find observed are Las Posadas followed by a piñata party.

The details of arranging and carrying out a Posadas procession vary according to the tastes of the people involved.

It can be a private family affair in which case the procession is from room to room. Or it can be an elaborate community affair with two children dressed as Mary and Joseph, the others in Mexican costumes. The Luna Posadas is planned for a group of families. One family (the one with the largest house) volunteers to be host and their children start the Posadas procession. They carry statues of Mary and Joseph taken from their crib scene—the nascimiento. Acting out the Bible story, the children knock on the door of their friends' homes and ask for shelter. They are told "no room" and are joined by that family to go on to the next house. The procession grows until the last house is reached and, with all the guests assembled, they proceed to the host's home—and the piñata party. For their piñata, a fragile earthenware jar is elaborately decorated with paper and tinsel and filled with nuts, candies, and goodies. The children are blindfolded and given a stick, in turn. When the piñata is broken, everyone scrambles for the spilled gifts.

Color Photographer: Ira Mazer Black-and-white photographer: Guy Burgess Artist: Russell & Hinrichs Assoc. Shopping Information, page 89

HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Christmas begins early! Here's a smattering of the ways people around the world enjoy it.

NOVEMBER

The first Sunday of Advent. The first candle of the Advent wreath is lighted.

28 MONDAY **29** TUESDAY **30** WEDNESDAY

DECEMBER

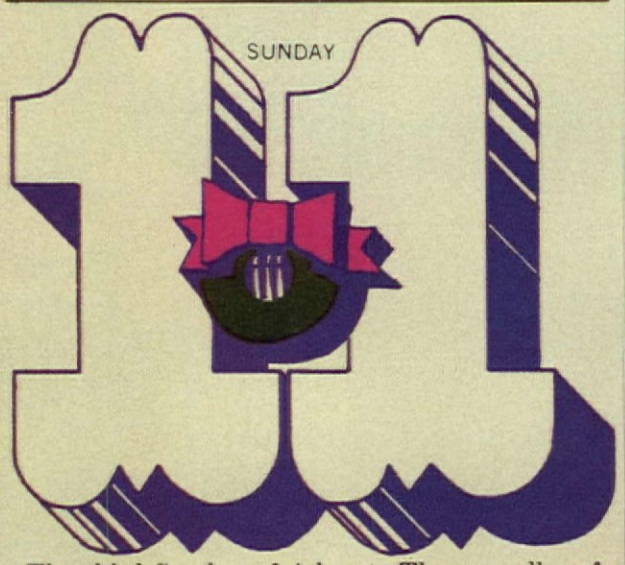
2 **3** SATURDAY

he second Sunday of Advent. Two candles of the Advent wreath are lighted.

MONDAY FIFTH

December 6th is the feast day of Saint Nicholas. In France, Holland, and Belgium children put out their sabots (wooden shoes) to be filled with presents by the Saint. In Austria Nikkolo and the Krampus (the devil) visit families with children. The Krampus is dressed in black with horns and a long red tongue. He carries chains and a bundle of birch branches (or twigs) with which he gives bad children a whacking. The good Saint (in miter, with his crosier, dressed in white, gold, and red) distributes the goodies.

7 WEDNESDAY **8** THURSDAY **9** FRIDAY **TEN** SATURDAY



The third Sunday of Advent. Three candles of the Advent wreath are lighted.

MON **TWELVE**

tuesday, december 13

LUCIA DAY IN SWEDEN

Lucia, the symbol of light, celebrates the Festival of Lights in deepest winter darkness. The Lucia Bride, pretty, blonde, and wearing a long white gown and crown of lighted candles, goes singing through the house serving breakfast. See page 100 for a recipe for Lucia Buns.

WEDNESDAY **14**, **15** THURSDAY

friday, 16

Nine days before Christmas Eve, Las Posadas of Mexico start making rounds. They are groups of carol singers who seek shelter in memory of Joseph and Mary's search in Bethlehem.

SATURDAY **17**

The fourth Sunday of Advent. All four candles of the Advent wreath are lighted.

NINE TEEN 20

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Wednesday, Dec. 21. St. Thomas

Finns celebrate this day—it's the last one for active preparations. After Saint Thomas Day, the Finnish families devote their time to spiritual and religious preparations exclusively.

22 THURS

23 FRIDAY

CHRISTMAS EVE

In France there's the *réveillon*, a feast after Midnight Mass. In England the Yule log is brought in and lighted. A tradition has developed: A branch is kept to help light the next year's log. This is the most festive night of all in Germany, Austria, Sweden, and Switzerland.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas in America is celebrated with many traditions—some old, some new. Most important of the traditions is the spirit of giving.

BOXING DAY

This is the first work day after Christmas and used to be the day when tenants got their Christmas boxes. In Norway it's a big party day—children's take place in the early afternoon; the grown-up parties later in the evening.

27 TUESDAY

28 THURSDAY

29 WEDNESDAY

30 FRIDAY

new year's eve

The feast of Saint Sylvester. This is a night for superstition and fortune-telling. In Ireland the man of the house takes a loaf of bread and strikes the door of the house (and of the cowshed) three times: "Out with misfortune. . . ."

JANUARY

NEW YEAR'S DAY

French children get *étrennes* (gifts) on January 1st, and there is much visiting and wishing of luck. In Germany the cloverleaf (pots of clover), marzipan, suckling pigs, and chimney sweeps are symbols of luck, appearing on New Year's cards.

2 MONDAY

3 TUESDAY

4 WEDNESDAY

5 THURSDAY

Epiphany Spanish children put their shoes on the windowsills and the Magi (three kings) fill them with goodies. And in Italy the *befana*, a benevolent old witch, comes down the chimney to fill children's shoes.

Artist: Russell & Hinrichs Assoc.

A turn-of-the-century inspiration, this tree is alive with ornaments made of antique German-scrapbook pictures. The tree glitters with angels, cupids, clown heads, ballet dancers, and the Nativity group.

Candy and more candy make up a pink, red, and white Christmas tree (below). There are artificial stick and ribbon candies, lollipops, ice cream cones, popcorn balls, tinsel, white lights, and pink beads.

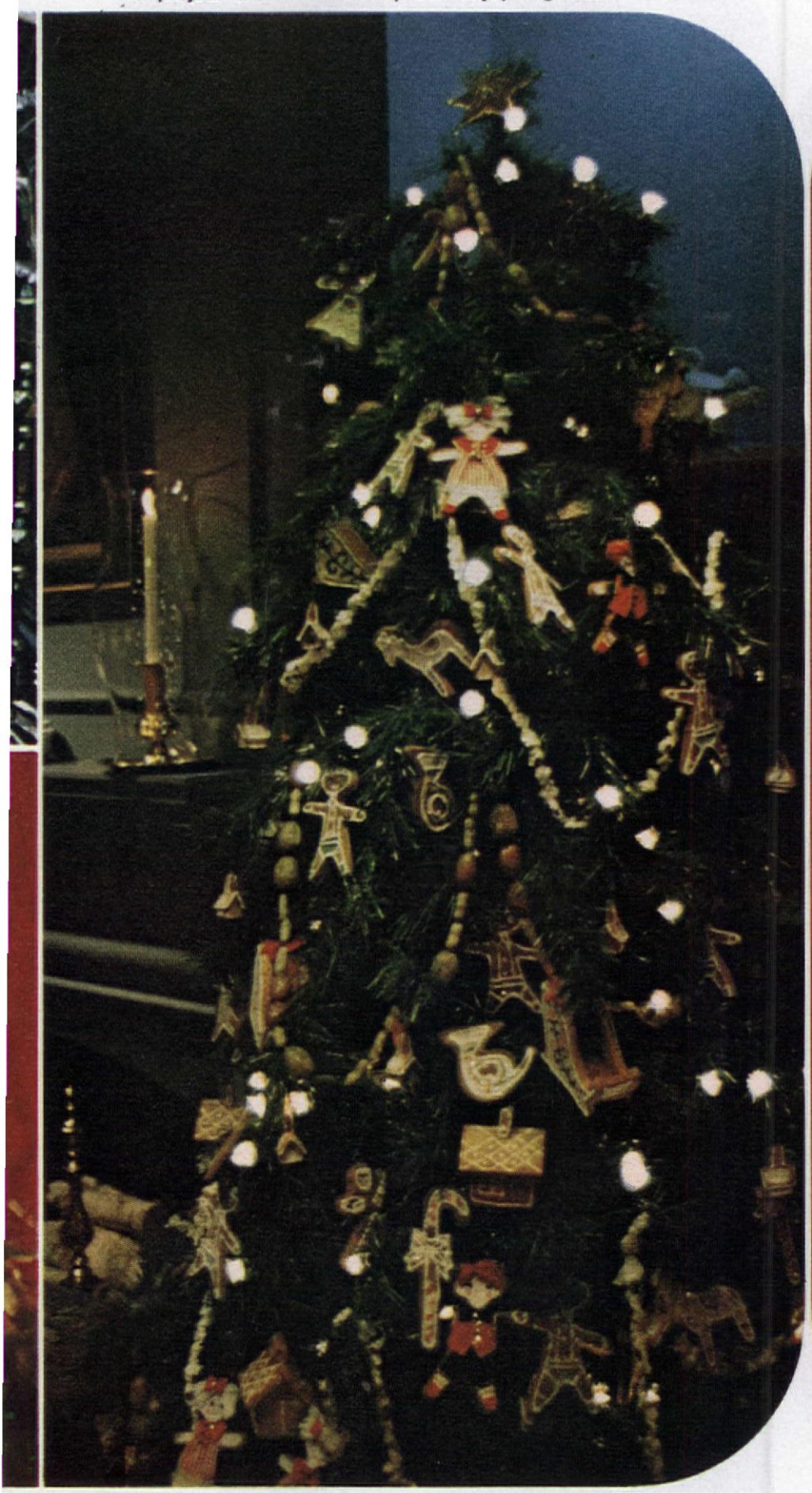
YOUR TREE: "A VISION OF PARADISE"

By Vera D. Hahn

"A vision of paradise—it was decorated with colored roses, apples, and sugar" so reads the description of the earliest known Christmas tree in Strasbourg, 1650. To this day, that's just what a Christmas tree ought to be—the shimmering, sparkling, glittering climax to each year, and something for you to look forward to all year long.

Photographer: Sheldon Brody Page 60 and page 61 (left) designed for Fieldcrest.

Deck your tree with gingerbread men—and ginger houses, ginger horses and toys too. Like these, they could be baked and iced in all sizes and shapes—a project the whole family can enjoy together.



Grace a mantel with a tiny tree. Here, one was completely covered with glue, then sprinkled with sparkles. Paper fans, miniature presents, and love birds, were added. Designed by MacDonald Forbes.

Let sentiment, feeling, and custom—not fashion—be your guide in trimming your tree, and make tree-trimming time a festive event. It should be an occasion to contemplate and to remember.

Your tree may be laden with tradition, with ornaments that are joyfully rediscovered each season, or it can be hung with nothing but the fanciful shapes of breads and chains of candy sugar as one of ours is. It can be simple, or festooned until the branches are ready to break under the weight of so many baubles and balls and swags of tinsel. But no matter how it looks, it must seem like a dream come true, magical and mysterious, haloed with glistening lights and colors.

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There's a wealth of ornaments from the foreign countries. Why not add a colorful straw Mexican horse (top right) or a bird from Thailand (center)? They go well with classic balls.

You can take the most ordinary items and create an exciting and dramatic tree. David Scoggins used a real tree trimmed with Italian bread in shapes of stars, flowers, and rolls, and deep swags of strung rock-crystal candy. Bread wreath and sticks decorate pedestal.

An effective approach to decorating a tree is to mix the old and the new. Here, an old horn contrasts with a new, glittery ball.

CHRISTMAS VIGNETTES

By all means, deck the halls—with as much imagination and holly as you can muster—but pay heed to a word of warning before you start. Christmas decorations tend to get scattered all through the house until they lose all impact and effectiveness. Rather than a dab of evergreen here, a small wreath there, and a dollop of artificial snow on the mantelpiece, focus all your decorations in one dramatic display. If you're not the lucky owner of a fireplace to serve as a backdrop, make do with a favorite piece or group of furniture as a focal point.

A pretty Christmas tree trimmed with gilt leaves and pink roses sits on a damask draped table that has been dramatically edged with a matching garland.

Photographed at Lord & Taylor, N.Y.

Antique French Provincial armoire acts as a display case for Mexican figurines of the Three Wise Men, in the New York home of the Weldon Willises.

Christmas balls turned into old-fashioned ascension balloons are suspended from the ceiling over an Italian commode. Beneath are gaily wrapped gifts.

Photographer: Sheldon Brody

There are those who do it the easy way. They go to their favorite store, pluck something off the shelf, have it gift-wrapped with a card enclosed, and mailed. And another name is checked off the list until next year. What manner of gift-giving is this? The truly meaningful gifts are those you take pains with.

GIFTS

They're the ones you give a little bit more to . . . the more being a small part of you, your imagination, your wit, and your time. The gifts that say "I know what you like," "I've thought of what would give you pleasure"—are the most pleasing and flattering gifts of all. Try it this Christmas. With the added thought, you can turn the so-so gift into the oh-oh gift.

To the best cook of all give a gift of gourmet cookware, a roaster filled with pasta and your favorite recipe. Or you might try a set of matched dish towels, pot holders, dishcloths in a smashing apple pattern. They could arrive in a miniature wash basket, topped by plastic scrubbers. For the coffee lover, give a coffee maker filled with coffee beans. For the proper Bostonian, a bean pot full of beans; for those who crave an airy soufflé, a soufflé dish and a rare cheese; for the fancier of coq au vin, an oval oven—and for laughs, fill it with fresh white eggs! (Roaster by Corning Ware. Dishcloths, towels, pot holders by Martex. Coffee maker by Chemex. Oven by Descoware.)

For a lady who loves a bit of luxury give rose-garlanded sheets and pillowcases. Cover a boudoir pillow with matching fabric, add a strawberry soufflé blanket and a sweet-smelling pomander to complete the ensemble. Our wrappings here are like English party "crackers"—tissue girdled with Victorian gold-lace medallions and the fattest of bows. (Linens by Cannon Mills.)

For the youngster who'd enjoy his very own sheets and pillowcases, give these patterned with clocks. A "see-through" alarm clock will teach him to tell time and a giant laundry bag—easily made from a matching bath towel—is both practical and fun. Cardboard box turns into a little red schoolhouse with shiny paper, paste, and scissors. Use bright red cord instead of ribbon. (Linens, bath towel by Fieldcrest.) (continued)

Additional Shopping Information, page 89 Photographer: Ben Swedowsky Packages by David Scoggins

For the young teen-ager who suddenly wants her own pretty room, bright-color sheets and pillowcases are the answer. To make the room neat as well as pretty, include a set of coeur à la crème baskets to hold bobby pins, curlers, etc. Fill one with heart-shaped yellow soap and be sure to include the all-important mirror. Our wrappings are simple: shiny yellow paper spiked with paper yellow daisies. (Linens by Lady Pepperell.)

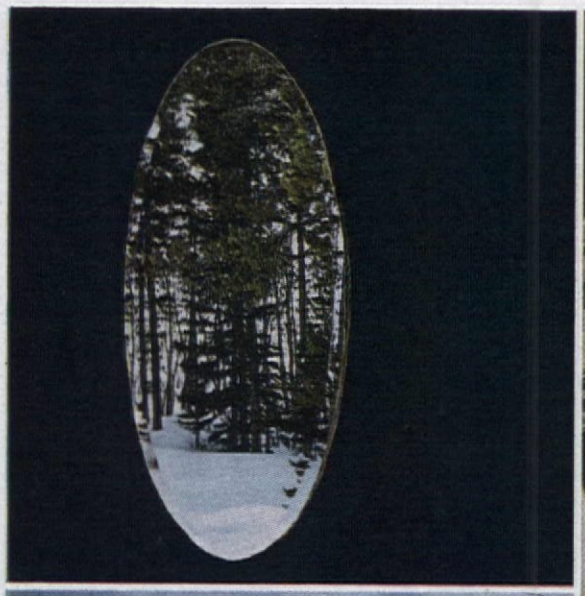
For your favorite hostess, a set of black-and-white place mats will be more than welcome. Set them off with bright red napkins. To have and to hold them, fashion a portfolio that's quickly made of shirt cardboard, paper, and ribbons. The white fish mold has many uses and matches the design of the mats. Wrap as any fishmonger would—in newspaper. Ours is Chinese and tied with a casual red velvet bow. (Place mats by Vera.)

For the family bathroom that needs dressing up badly, we suggest a splash of rich, thirsty towels with embroidered trimming. Self-adhesive shelving paper—it might start you off on a whole new decorating scheme—is a handsome accompaniment. The blue chest holds a million things a bathroom is heir to. Equally useful are the white hooks and colorful plastic tumblers. (Towels by Wamsutta.)

For the man of the house, who is also the true connoisseur of comfort, give fabulous bath sheets. In mossy colors and with the texture of plush velvet, they are sure to please. Each color is stacked with a belt he can wear. The paisley-pattern shelf paper will mark his special shelf in the linen closet. The soap on a rope is all his. A wicker hamper is a natural for a gift wrap, will be endlessly useful later on. (Towels by Martex.)

TRADITION IN WINTER VACATION HOUSES

Winter is a time of holiday traditions. One new trend in the holiday spirit is the winter vacation. (We seem to be taking more of them!) Summer vacation houses seem to be the place to cut loose and defy traditional building forms. But for houses to be used in the cold of winter as well, many people want the warmth and familiarity of traditional buildings. We have here three houses for winter, two of them old buildings brought up to date for contemporary use and one a re-creation of a bygone style. The brand-new Victorian whimsy on these two pages, named Winterthur, is located near the ski community of Vail, Colorado. It was designed around fragments of old buildings found in wrecking yards. The owners, Alan Miller and Bill Cook (Miller did the designing), built it to house two large family groups on vacation. It has a tower room high in the roof lighted by four round windows and a skylight. Below is a view into the trees through an old oval-windowed rear door. Ornately carved brackets support the roof corners. The interior is an amalgam of bright colors, old pieces, and a new Victorian-style slate-topped pass-through counter. Visible in background is one of four bedrooms on this floor. Please turn the page



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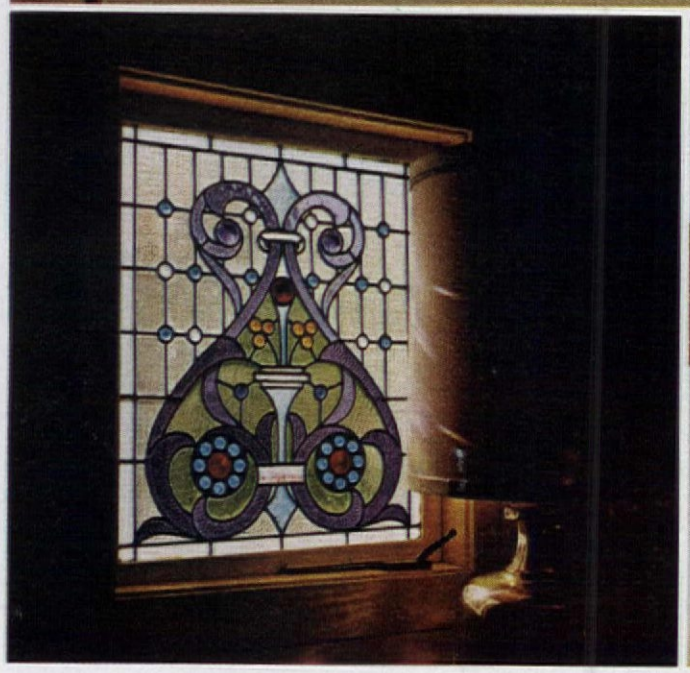

Architect: Robin Molny
Owner-Designer: Pat Gregso
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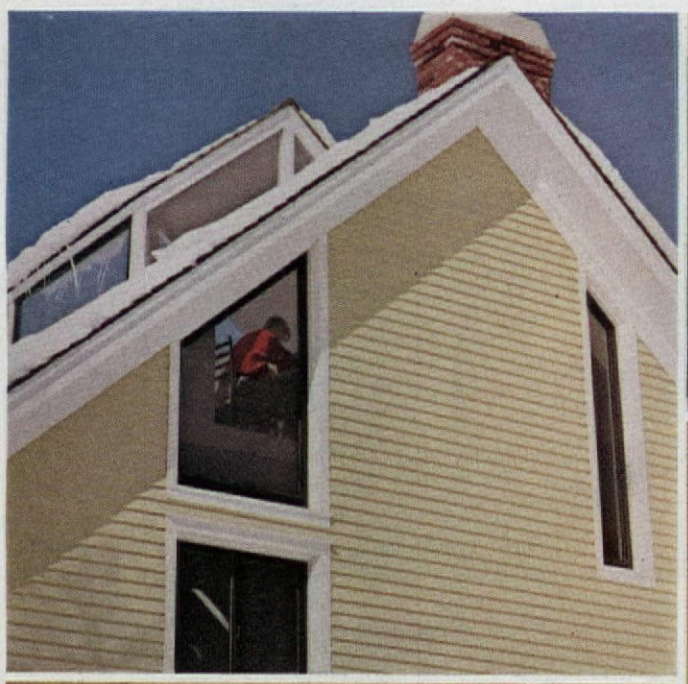
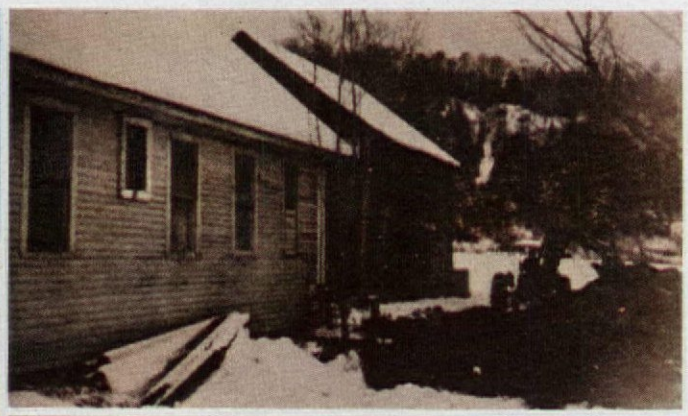
In contrast to our first holiday house, which is a new one built to look old, this house and the following one are both old barns remodeled for contemporary use. This one is in Aspen, Colorado, once a thriving mining town, now a ski resort. A seven-foot addition was put on the rear of this turn-of-the-century hay barn to accommodate a spiral staircase, the kitchen, and bath. The plain lines were retained at the front of the barn, but tall, narrow windows running from ground to roof were inserted. A dormer was added to raise the roof for more tall windows at the side. The front door of glass and painted wood was found in California. It was hung so that the weather-worn surface now faces the inside of the house. The living room, which is upstairs (see above), features a Franklin stove. Old stained-glass-window panels were used to give brilliant color to the interior. A unique ski rack in the entry hall, a modern touch, is built of wood blocks set at angles to each other. Please turn the page

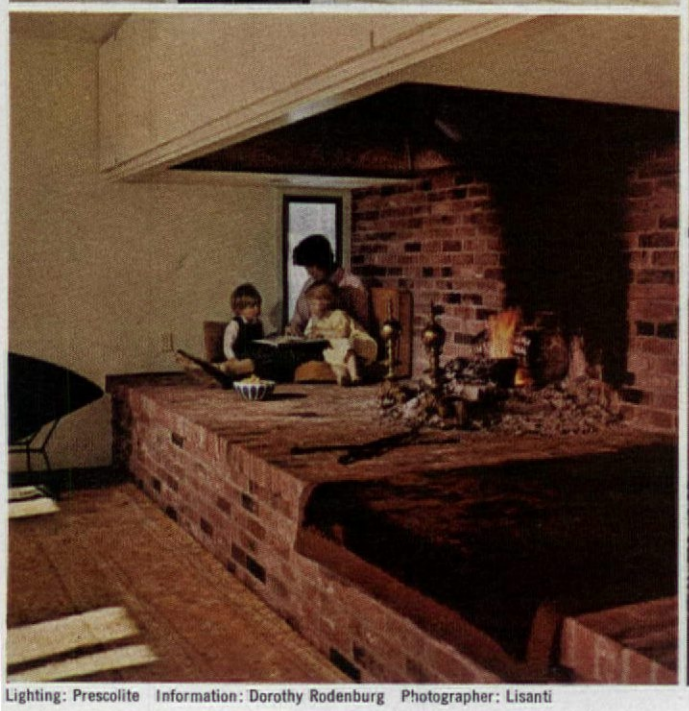
SKI RESORT BARN

HOLIDAY STUDIO HOME

Hardly anything but the bare shell of this old house and barn in Vermont (see sepia photo below) remained intact when architect Stevenson Flemer decided to build a home around it for his family. He retained the basic geometry and window patterns of the old buildings and the steep roof and wide overhangs demanded by the climate. New clapboard was installed with the traditional four-inch reveal. Modern windows were inserted under the eaves and in a projection on the roof (below, left), but they follow the shape of the old roof line. For his studio (lower right), Mr. Flemer uses two lofts (one is suspended from the ceiling) that open to the main work area below. The lofts are reached by ladder. The huge fireplace (lower left) has a raised hearth, ideal for thawing out chilled limbs. On the outside of the clustered complex, the related shapes of the joined buildings and the broken roof line make the house warm and sturdy looking, ideal for winter in the Vermont ski country.







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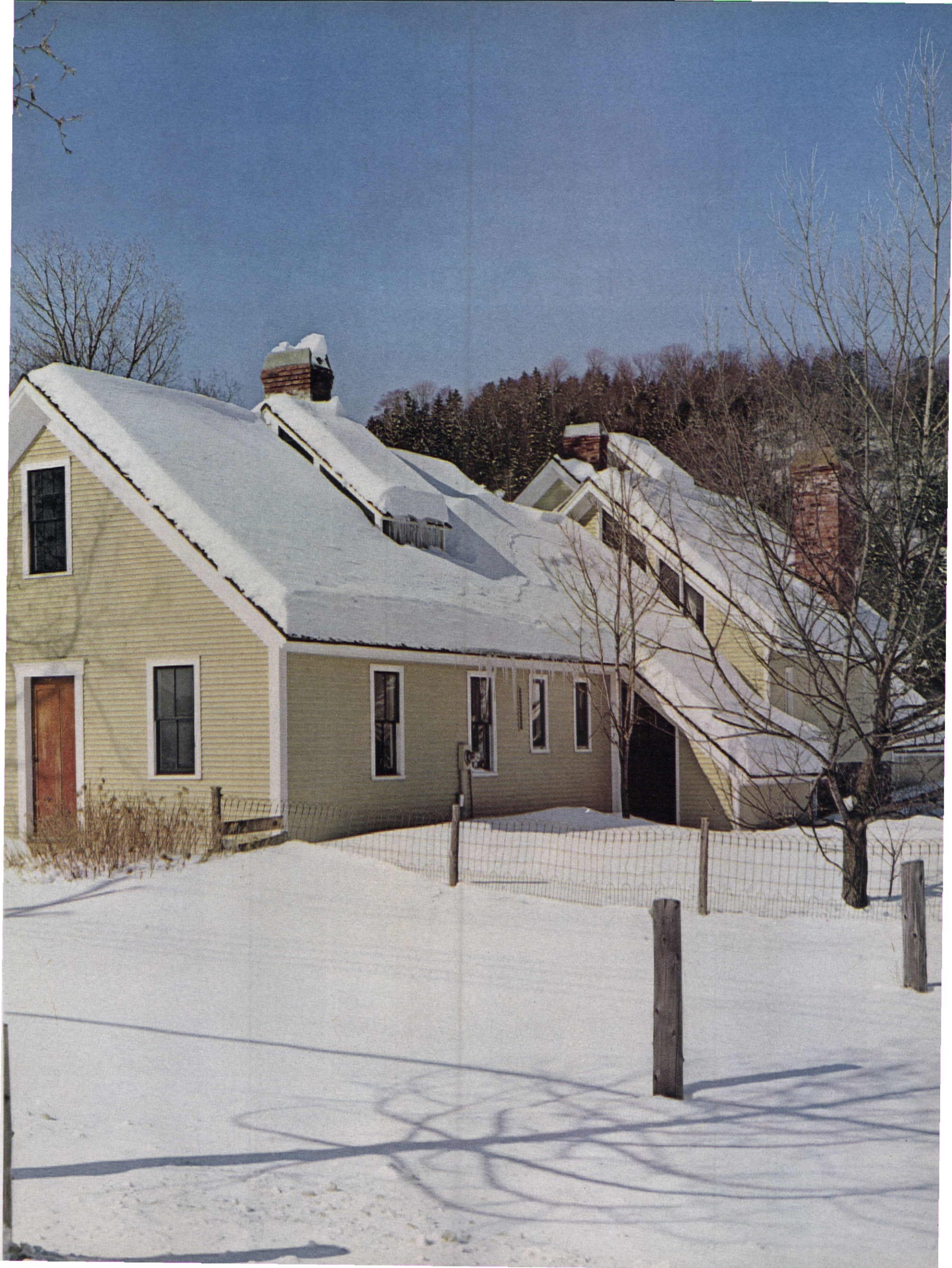


During the holidays fireplaces are the center of attention—for hanging Christmas stockings, for Santa's arrival, for burning the Yule log. And throughout the year, a fireplace is the dominant item in a room's decor. There's nothing that evokes a feeling of warmth and security more than a blazing fire at your own hearth. Perhaps you're considering having a fireplace in your new house. Or maybe thinking of adding one to your present home. Here is a variety of designs, from the very traditional to the very modern, to start you thinking what would look best in your home. For tips on proper construction and operation of a smoke-free fireplace, see the article "The Perfectly Working Fireplace" on page 81.

TAKE YOUR PICK OF FIREPLACES

This lavish fireplace in Tucson, Arizona, has a stone base and a copper hood. The concrete hearth and mantel are cantilevered. The hearth forms a seating ledge. Flooring is quarry tile.

Here is a modern version of the potbelly stove. The prefab fireplace, manufactured by Strawberry Bank Craftsmen, in Little Compton, Rhode Island, has a pebbly ceramic surface. It is set out from the wall and rests on a bed of smooth beach rocks. An old anchor ornaments wall behind fireplace.

Stucco fireplace stands at the head of its own conversation pit. Two built-in couches are attached to its sides. The chimney is freestanding, with a skylight overhead. A low partition holds ornaments.

Fireplace in a remodeled home in Connecticut is stucco over concrete block. The hearth ledge extends across the room and is made of painted, reinforced concrete. Picture windows look to the deck and yard. Dark beams provide contrast for the white walls.

Stretching from floor to ceiling, a poured-concrete fireplace has the joints of the formwork left unsmoothed. There is a large compartment beside the firebox to hold lots of firewood.

Fireplace in the Early American tradition has a wooden facing and mantelshelf. The fireplace is appropriately surrounded by antiques. Mementos of the period are mounted over the mantelpiece.

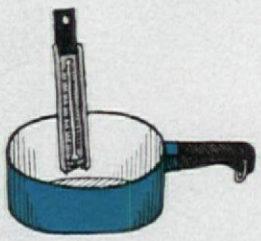
This stalwart fireplace is a free-standing one that divides the living room from the dining room in a California vacation house. The hearth and body are of concrete with exposed aggregate. The metal fire hood and chimney stack are custom made.

SO YOU'RE LEARNING TO COOK

Christmas and candy go hand in hand. Here are two old-fashioned favorites—Peanut Brittle and Popcorn Balls. The Popcorn Balls, made small and threaded on thin, strong cord, will add a festive garland to the tree. Make them for your family or give as gifts to your friends for the holidays.

Make candy on a cool, dry day for best results. Candy made on a damp day may be sugary.

The best and most accurate way to test candy when cooking it, is with a candy thermometer. Here's how to use it:



1. Clip the thermometer on the side of the saucepan before starting to cook and leave it in the mixture all during cooking.

2. Be sure the bulb is completely covered with syrup—not just with the boiling foam. Do not let the thermometer rest on the bottom of the saucepan.

3. To read the thermometer correctly, your eyes should be on a level with the mercury. Bend down so they are—don't take the thermometer out of the syrup to read it.

4. When candy has finished cooking, remove the thermometer and let it cool before washing it.

1 pound shelled peanuts
3 cups sugar
1¼ cups water
½ cup light corn syrup
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 tablespoon water
1½ teaspoons vanilla

1. Butter a large cookie sheet.

2. If peanuts are salted, rinse in warm water. Dry well with paper towels.

3. Combine sugar, water, and corn syrup in heavy saucepan. Clip candy thermometer on side of pan.

4. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until sugar is dissolved and mixture comes to boiling.

5. Let mixture boil without stirring until candy thermometer registers 270° F.

6. Remove pan from heat. Add butter or margarine and peanuts.

7. Continue cooking candy until thermometer registers 300° F. Remove the pan from heat.

8. Mix soda and water.

9. Add soda mixture and vanilla to hot candy. Let bubbles subside.

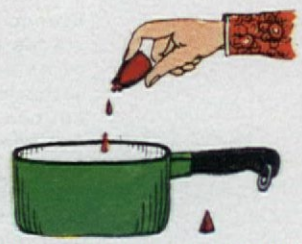
10. Pour, as thinly as possible, onto prepared pan. Cool.

11. Break peanut brittle into pieces. Makes about 2¾ pounds.

8 cups popped popcorn
1 cup light corn syrup
1 cup sugar
¼ cup water
1 teaspoon vinegar
Red or green food coloring
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon vanilla

1. Put popcorn into large bowl.

2. Mix corn syrup, sugar, water, and vinegar in saucepan.



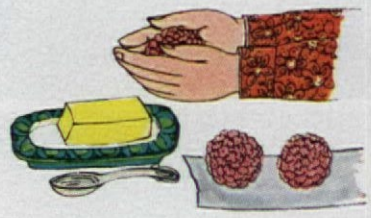
3. Add red or green food coloring, a drop at a time, to tint mixture a bright pink or green. If you have one of those squeeze-type bottles, do it right over the syrup. Otherwise drop it from the teaspoon. Clip candy thermometer to side of pan.

4. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until sugar dissolves.

5. Cook, without stirring, until candy thermometer registers 260° F.

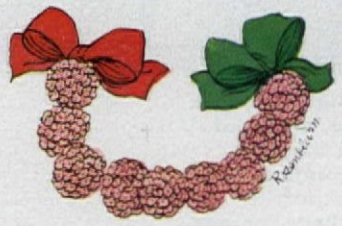
6. Add butter or margarine and vanilla.

7. Pour over popcorn. Stir mixture quickly with spoon or fork so all little pieces of popcorn are coated with syrup.



8. Butter palms of hands. Scoop up portion of popcorn mixture. Press *very lightly* into ball. Drop on wax paper.

9. Continue shaping balls, working rapidly and buttering your hands as needed. Makes 9 large or 18 small balls.



10. For garland, string balls on thin, strong cord, using a heavy, large-eyed needle. Tie bows on ends.

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Make Christmas Merry

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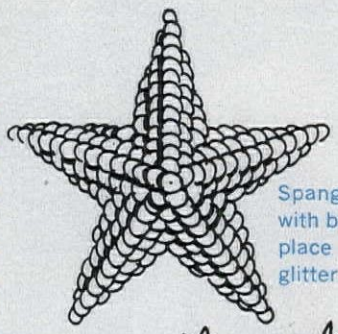
Swedish Delight. For mantel or door decoration cut a tree from rough, unfinished pine board. Decorate with red apples, gingerbread, or clay figures and small flat toys. Flank with stone crocks filled with pine branches.



Spangle Star. Cover a Styrofoam star with big silver and gold sequins. Pin in place with glass-head pins for more glitter and sparkle.

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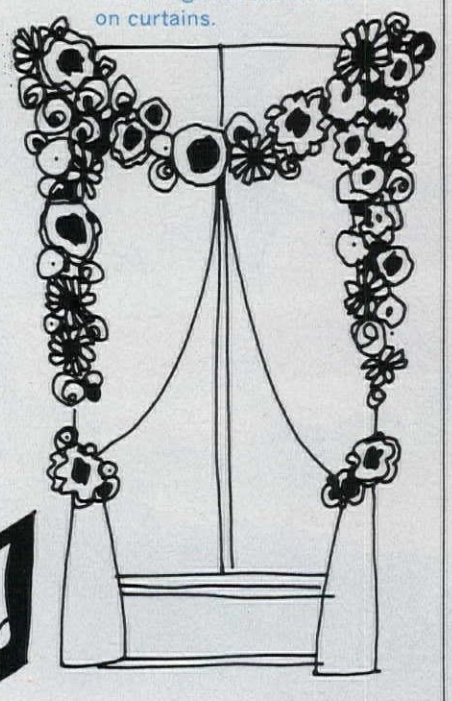
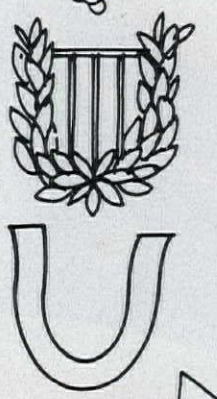
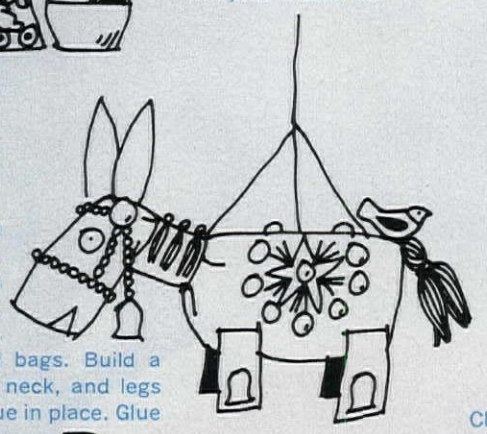
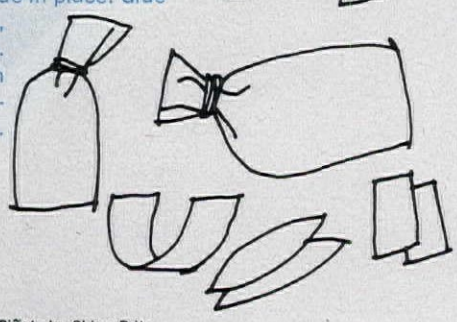


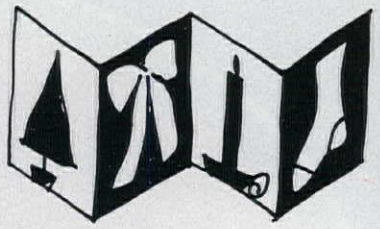


Golden Lyre. Cut heavy cardboard into horseshoe shape. Glue on leaves—artificial gold ones from dime store or gold sprayed paper cutout leaves. Add thin gold sprayed dowels.

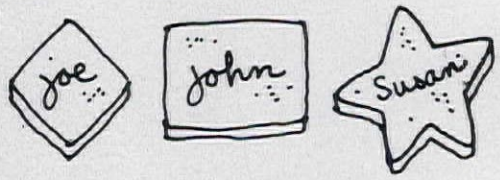


Mexican Piñata. Fill two paper bags with tissue paper interspersed with tiny gifts, candy, nuts, oranges, and tangerines. Tie securely at neck of bags. Build a donkey by cutting ears, neck, and legs from matching paper. Glue in place. Glue on baubles, ribbons, braid, eyes, and yarn tail. Tie to ceiling. Children can hit with sticks to release hidden treasures.





Christmas Cards. Make personal cards by stenciling simple Christmas motifs on folded oaktag or big plain post cards, available in art stores.



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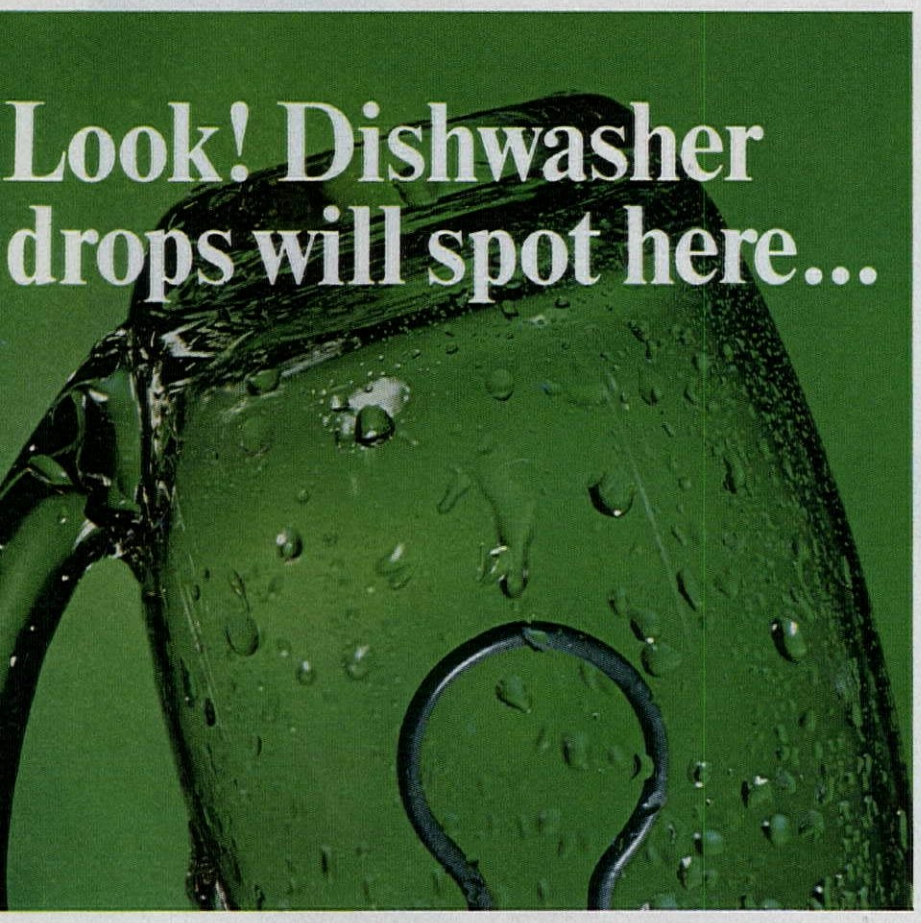

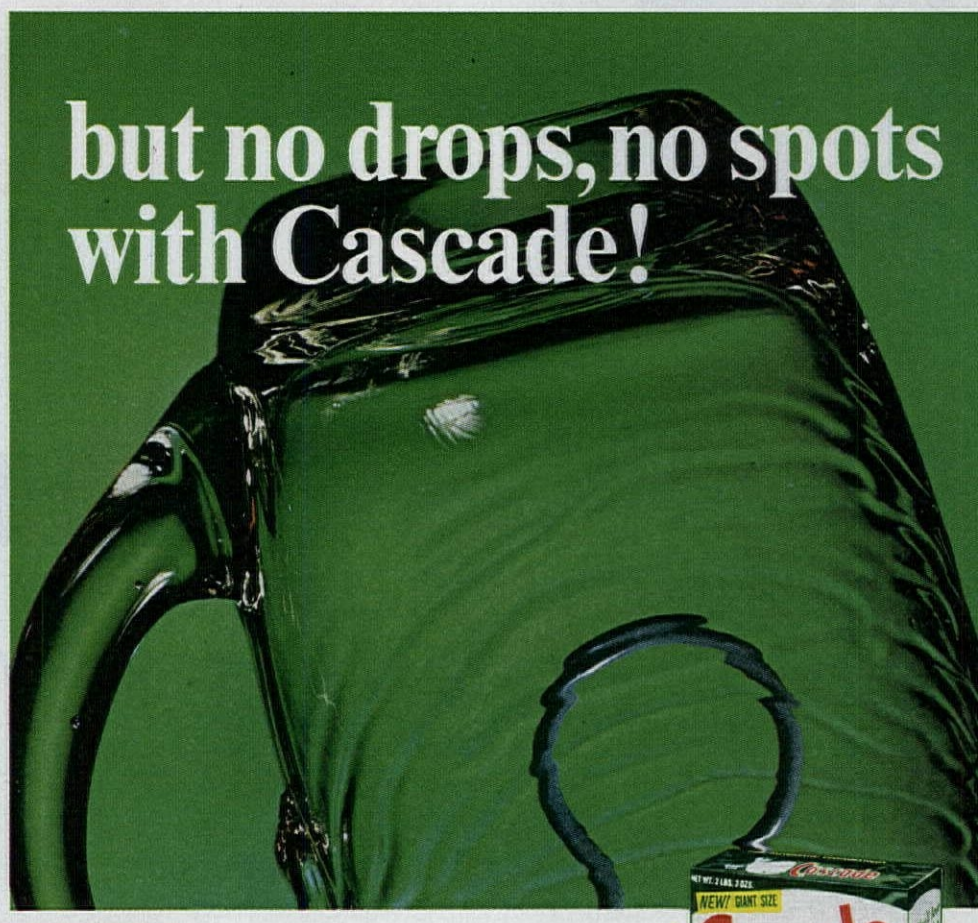

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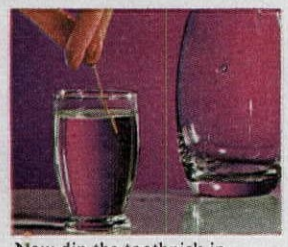

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Orchids

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ever identical, and they come in all shades of lavender, pink, red, yellow, and of course, white. They require plenty of room to grow. Give them full sun in midwinter and semishade the rest of the year. Their preferred temperatures are 60 degrees at night and 70 degrees to 80 degrees during the day. Mist the tops during the day, and soak the roots once or twice a week. Blooms may last two months on the plant and many varieties are fragrant. There is a cattleya variety to flower during every month of the year.

We brought **Laelia superbiens** back from Guatemala one year and then read that it sends up a 10-foot stalk in the fall with 125 four-inch flowers! Fortunately the shock of the move reduced the stalk to about three feet and the number of flowers to 25. It is an annual sensation, but one we can accommodate.

Like cattleya, laelia needs ample space around the pot. Flowers are lavender touched with white, have a delicate scent, and last about six weeks. Give it sun in winter, semishade the rest of the year. Its ideal temperatures are 55 degrees at night, and 70 degrees during the day. Root-soak once or twice a week and top-spray daily.

Epidendrum radicans is a delightful orchid that is a roadside weed in Costa Rica. The unusual tiny orange flowers will open readily at your window. The plant sends up several three- to four-foot flower stalks, and each head opens dozens of blooms with new ones constantly forming from fall through spring. We always have some in bloom at Easter time. Give them full sun in winter, semishade in spring and fall. It prefers temperatures of 60 degrees at night, 70 degrees by day. Let the plant dry somewhat between waterings. Watch for small plantlets that form near the tops of the stalks. Cut them off and repot for new plants.

Oncidium splendens, popularly known as the dancing girl orchid, has sprays of small yellow flowers that once reminded some romantic soul of a corps de ballet. The plant thrives in bright sun in winter and semishade the rest of the year. It prefers cooler temperatures than the others—55 degrees at night, 65 degrees during the day. Flowers last on the plant for two months, have no fragrance.

The tree orchid, **Dendrobium nobile,** bears two-tone lavender flowers in clusters all along its branches in late winter. Give it sun in fall and winter, part shade in summer. Our plant refused to bloom until we learned its secret: In September, after a summer of rich new growth out in the garden, dry it off drastically. Give it almost no water until the stalks wither and wrinkle and the leaves fall. Along about December, small buds emerge where the leaves have dropped. Now begin to water again and feed regularly. In a few weeks the plant will be starred with pretty flowers.

Phalaenopsis is Greek for "looks like a whale," but try as I might I can see no resemblance between the flowers of this orchid and Moby Dick. The blooms are flat, somewhat pansy-like, and come in pink, lavender, and white. They develop along single, arching sprays. The plant is small to medium and likes to be in semishade all year. Give it temperatures of 65 degrees at night, 70 degrees by day—never let it get cooler. Never let the roots dry out either. Water it every morning but don't let it stand in water. Mist tops daily.

Lycaste skinneri (the white nun orchid) is relatively simple to grow, bears five-inch, fragrant flowers that last two to three months on a medium-size plant. It wants part shade all year and cool temperatures: 55 degrees at night, 65 degrees for day.

Lycaste aromatica, a relative, is also appealing. It bears long-lasting clusters of gold flowers on upright stems. Their fragrance is like cinnamon.

The lily-of-the-valley orchid **(Odontoglossum pulchellum)** is as fragrant as hyacinths in the spring. Each plant sends up several flower stalks eight to 12 inches high, with waxy white, one-inch blooms opening up and down the stems. Give it semishade all year and the same temperatures as the other cool-growing orchids. It requires dividing every two years.

Oncidium ornithrynchum, though difficult to pronounce, is a must. Its tiny lavender flowers spill down like a fountain in arching sprays and all but hide the leafy green foliage. Their scent is akin to lemons sprinkled with spice. The plant is small and thrives in semishade. Ideal temperatures are 60 degrees at night, 70 degrees by day. Let the plant dry between waterings.

Gongora luteola has gold flowers that fall in clusters around the rim of the pot. New blooms keep opening for weeks in late fall and winter. The plant is not large and prefers less light at all times than all the other orchids. Move it to dimmer light when it's in bloom. It likes to be around 65 degrees at night, 75 degrees during the day. The fragrance is somewhat like lime and bay.

Some of the most exquisite orchids are minute, and **mystacidium** is one to grow in a small window garden. The plant is six inches or less across, four inches high. Tiny pure white flowers rain down by the dozen over braided foliage. Keep mystacidium warm and wet and in filtered sun. It does best at 65 degrees to 70 degrees at night, 80 degrees by day. Keep it moist but never soggy. You can easily make new plants by breaking off any branch and potting it. You'll see growth in several weeks and flowers in a few months. Mystacidium blooms when it is quite small, in fall and winter.

One of our favorite tiny orchids is **Stenoglottis longifolia,** the candlestick orchid. The foliage is a rosette, about six inches across. The flower spike emerges from the center bearing quantities of minute, lilac flowers, slightly fragrant, each one with a fringed lip.

The candlestick orchid requires filtered shade and temperatures of 60 degrees at night, 70 degrees during the day. When the flowers fade, the foliage will also disappear and the plant goes into a rest phase. Give it very little water during this stage and in a month or so new rosettes form ready for next season's flowers.

Paphiopedilum is often confused with the lady's slipper orchid (cypripedium) which it resembles. It prefers cool temperatures, 55 degrees at night, 65 degrees to 70 degrees during the day, and needs an atmosphere of high humidity. You should mist this one several times a day and never let the roots dry out. Give it light shade. The best growing medium is a mixture of equal parts chopped osmunda and chopped sphagnum moss. (continued)

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(continued) **Cymbidiums** are the other popular corsage orchid, and are not difficult to grow indoors. The fact to remember is that they are heavy feeders and should be fertilized weekly. Keep them moist during the growth phase, but water less when flower spikes appear. Flowers come in shades of yellow, pink, cream, purple, and white. Some are fragrant. They will bloom best if kept slightly pot-bound and grown at cool temperatures: 50 degrees to 60 degrees at night, 70 degrees by day. Protect from strong sunlight.

WHERE TO GROW THEM

A south window is the ideal location for an orchid collection if you have a thin curtain to create light shade. Orchids need some shade in fall or spring, but will take full sun in December or January when the rays are less warm. An east or west window is also good. Don't set them on a radiator unless you turn it off.

Arrange your orchids on a table or build a shelf, 15 inches or so wide, of wooden slats if possible. *Orchids must have air beneath their containers.* If you're setting your plants on a table, place a three-inch-deep tray filled with pebbles and water beneath them and raise each orchid on an up-turned pot. Set every plant with its growing side toward the light. Containers should stand five inches apart. You can also hang orchid pots or boxes at a window.

The temperature in a window garden varies from the space close to the glass to that on the room side of the shelf. Place each plant in its preferred spot, with its particular choice of sun and shade, warmth and coolness. In summer move plants outdoors under a tree or somewhere in semi-shade. They need protection from strong sun and from wind. Place them on a slat bench so air will circulate beneath the pots. Spray daily with water.

THE GROWTH CYCLE

Most orchids follow an annual growth cycle. During the growing, budding, flowering period they need more water and weekly plant food. We use a 30-10-10 formula. During the rest period which follows flowering, reduce water and don't feed. After the rest period, eyes visible at the base of the bulbs start to swell and develop. Recommence regular watering at this time, and begin to feed again. It is the beginning of the next active growth phase. New pseudobulbs will grow from the eyes, and from them will come the flowers.

How can you tell if your orchids are healthy and thriving? If the foliage is firm, stiff, and yellow-green, the plant is in good condition and should flower every year. If the foliage becomes a dark blue-green and the plant fails to flower, it isn't getting enough light. If the foliage turns extremely pale, it's getting too much.

When orchid leaves grow limp and flexible, they're signaling thirst. Either you're not watering enough, or the plant's root system is poor and unable to absorb the water you provide. An orchid needs water on the foliage as well as the roots. Mist your plants several times a day with a fine-mist bulb sprayer.

Orchids must have air around their roots as well as their foliage. Let the roots dry out between waterings—they will rot if constantly wet, the plant will languish, and the leaves take on the texture of limp leather. It's best to water thoroughly—until the water runs out of the bottom of the pot—once or twice a week. Let the roots remain dry for a day or so before you water again, so they will get the air they need. Water more frequently during a spell of sunny days, less often when cloudy.

The roots of an orchid are your most important guide to the state of its health. They should be alive and growing most of the year, and numerous. Occasionally roots will grow outside the pot, and you can readily observe their vigor or lack of it. Most of the time, however, they are out of sight in the orchid medium. By tipping the container and sliding the plant out momentarily, you can see if the roots are flourishing or not.

If an orchid is ailing, remove it from the pot and study the roots. Trim off any dead ones and repot, using fresh material. Give more or less water than you have been, or a different location, or both. Continue doing something different until it revives and new growth begins.

If root trimming, repotting, and a change of routine don't revive your plant it may have scale or mealybugs. Peel off the brown sheath that covers the pseudobulb. If you see what looks like white powder and brown specks, dip in the sink and scrub with an old toothbrush and sudsy detergent. Rinse the detergent off before repotting.

HOW TO POT AN ORCHID

Orchids thrive in a variety of rooting mediums which may be purchased from an orchid grower. We use a mix of chopped osmunda, fir bark, and perlite. Every plant develops one or more new leads, usually on one side. When the roots of these reach outside the container, the orchid needs repotting. If your plant has outgrown its container, repot it after flowering. We use both clay pots and wooden orchid crates. In either case we place broken crock and a few pieces of charcoal in the bottom of the container.

The part of the plant with leads needs space for further growth. In the new container, set the part with the old bulbs close against one side of the pot, leaving growing space at the other side. Work potting material in around roots, tamping it down firmly with a blunt stick until the orchid stands steady and straight. Be careful not to break any new green-tipped roots. In the case of cattleyas, place a wire stake down in the center of each pot, avoiding the roots. Tie the various stalks to this with a fine green string.

Sometimes an orchid has new growth on all sides or is too large and needs dividing. Cut roots apart with a sharp knife, and to assure bloom, leave at least five pseudobulbs to each division. Be sure there are several live eyes at the base of these. Place the cut part of the plant close against one side of the pot, leaving space for new growth at other side.

If in repotting you find little snails or sow bugs among the roots, slug bait will eliminate both.

When buying orchids, ask for plants in bud. They will cost as little as four or five dollars, or you can pay more for larger or rare plants.

As in other pursuits, the rules of orchid growing are never hard and fast. Follow them at first, but keep aware of the needs of each plant. And if one is perverse, don't be discouraged. For every seeming failure you will have many successes.

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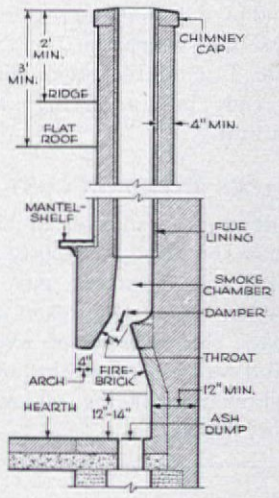
THE PERFECTLY WORKING FIREPLACE

By John H. Ingersoll

A smoking fireplace can ruin the romance of flickering firelight quicker than indigestion. And those curls of gray smoke arching over your mantel will leave a trail of black soot on white woodwork, clean red brick, papered walls, and painted ceilings. If it's happened to you, you know how tenacious the stains can be.

Fortunately, putting a smoky fireplace back into order isn't as mysterious as you may think. And if you're in the market for an older home, you can even learn some tricks about spotting a badly functioning fireplace. Or armed with a few simple directions you can buy a fireplace or have one built with reasonable assurance that it will draw perfectly.



CURE FOR A SMOKY FIREPLACE

A fire draws its oxygen from the surrounding air, simultaneously expelling upward a hot column of gases and smoke. A good fireplace is engineered to encourage this continuing motion of air and gases, which is called draft. (Don't worry that all the heat is going up the chimney; *radiant* heat from the fire is thrown into the room by the sides and back of the firebox.)

A poorly designed fireplace baffles the draft. Only a portion of the smoke can make its way up the chimney. The remainder drifts slowly into the room. Worse still, a weak draft generally causes the fire to puff up more smoke.

Here are the six most common causes of bad draft and the cures.

1. *Chimney flue is too small.* Smoke can't squeeze into a flue that's too narrow. The flue liner must be sized in direct proportion to the area of the fireplace opening and the height of the chimney, measured from hearth to chimney cap. If you suspect this is the problem (and fireplace designers say it often is) take the necessary measurements and match them to the table below.

Chimney height	Ratio of cross-section of flue (depth x width) to area of fireplace opening (height x width)
Over 22 feet	1:12
16 to 22 feet	1:10
Under 16 feet	1: 8

Of course, these relationships are approximate. Since flue liners are produced in standard sizes, you can't expect to find one that is *exactly* a tenth of the fireplace opening. But it ought to be close.

If you discover the flue is too small, there are several cures to try. A fine-mesh fire screen in front of the opening will reduce air intake. Or if the smoking isn't excessive, perhaps a metal canopy over the top of the fireplace opening will catch and redirect the smoke back into the firebox. The most permanent cure is to reduce the size of the firebox and fireplace opening with fire brick.

2. *Damper and throat are undersized.* The throat is the region immediately in back of and above the fireplace opening. The throat narrows as it rises—in the lower section because the rear firebox wall is sloping forward, and in the upper section because the damper housing slopes in on the sides, as well as back. If throat or damper is undersized, smoke will generally curl back into the firebox, and some will drift into the room.

To check, flash a light up the throat. Sides of the firebox (inside of the fireplace) ought to rise vertically until they meet the bottom frame of the damper housing. Or, put another way, the bottom of the metal damper frame must be as wide as the fireplace opening. And the area at this point must never be less than the area of the flue. In fact, most designers recommend an area here 25 to 50 percent larger than the flue cross-section.

Widening the throat or replacing a small damper with a larger one calls for some tricky masonry work. This is definitely the province of a professional mason.

3. *Smoke chamber improperly designed.* The smoke chamber takes up the space between the damper and flue opening. Whenever the sides slope too sharply (the chamber walls shouldn't be less than 60 degrees from the horizontal) or have projections not smoothed over with cement mortar, a portion of the smoke may back up through the damper. This condition is fairly easy to spot with a flashlight, but hard to correct. Call in a mason.

4. *Arch is too thick.* Arch refers to the top of the fireplace opening. Measure its thickness, from face to back. If it's over six inches, smoke heading for the damper may strike the bottom of the arch and scoot out of the fireplace and into the room. Incidentally, experts say that optimum arch thickness is four inches.

To correct a too-thick arch, try a metal canopy over the opening. This often works. Otherwise, the masonry thickness will have to be reduced—another professional job.

5. *Chimney is too low.* The top of the chimney must be at least two feet above the highest ridge on a home with a pitched roof. (continued)

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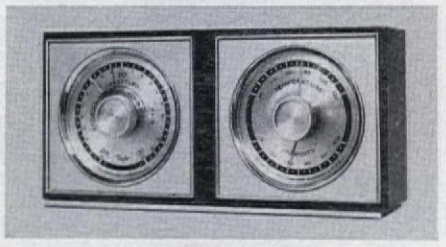

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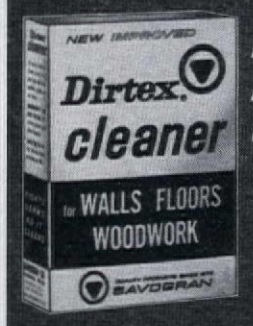

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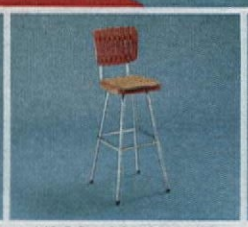

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BUILDING A FIREPLACE IN YOUR PRESENT HOME

In adding a fireplace to an existing house, the key to success is in choosing the right mason. Ask architects, friends, and general contractors for the names of experienced fireplace builders. When you narrow the choice down to a couple, ask them for references. Then check the references. If it's convenient, drive out and see some of the fireplaces they've constructed. When you're satisfied with one man, hire him, and trust him to deliver a working fireplace.

However, suppose you can't locate a fireplace specialist near your hometown. At least three courses are open to you in such a case.

If it suited the decor, you could buy a freestanding, prefabricated fireplace. A surprising number of styles—ranging from sleek contemporary to replicas of the old Franklin stove—are on the market. They're constructed of heavy sheet metal, cast iron, and other materials, and connect to insulated, stovepipe-styled flues. Many a handy owner has installed a prefab on his own. Most outlets sell them as kits.

The second course is to buy a so-called factory-built fireplace. This is a completely fabricated, standard, front-opening fireplace, with flue and chimney. The entire unit is essentially of heavy-gauge metal. It doesn't need a masonry foundation. When faced with marble, brick, tile, etc., it is almost indistinguishable from a masonry fireplace. It, too, is within the skills of the more experienced home craftsman.

The third possibility is to hire a mason, buy what's termed a heat-circulating fireplace form, and instruct your man to fill in with masonry around the form. Also built of heavy-gauge sheet metal, the form delineates a normal front-opening fireplace, and contains cavities on both sides with openings that connect to ducts, and the ducts to grilles. When installed, the form throws extra heat into the room, through the ducts. If you wish, the natural convection of this heat may be assisted by small electric fans. This type of unit is ideal for a vacation house that is to be otherwise unheated. Incidentally, this form must never be installed without its ducts and grilles.

All three types in nearly every case are approved by national and regional code groups, and carry the UL approved label. But double check with your local code before buying and installing a unit.

FIREPLACES RATED ON COST

If you demand a mantel of the purest marble, or want a fireplace at least six feet wide, you can pay as much as $4000. But the figures in the chart on page 83 are based on average sizes and relatively low-cost materials, such as brick facing, which is used in most fireplaces.

(continued) And at least three feet above a flat roof. Why? Because wind deflected from the roof may drive cold air down the chimney. If a fire is merrily burning when a strong gust comes down, you'll see smoke positively billow out.

The permanent cure for this malady is to extend the flue and chimney to the proper height. Some designers suggest installing a stone slab or cast concrete hood on legs over the flue opening. The hood will presumably divert downdrafts away from the chimney top. But a number of experts claim the hood often creates as many problems as it solves.

Despite some disagreement, designers would have to agree that a hood may be the *only* answer when the chimney is well above the ridge line, but is surrounded by high terrain, a number of towering trees, or a neighboring building.

6. *House is too tight.* In the old days, homes had as many cracks and crevices as a bale of hay. Through these openings came an inexhaustible supply of fresh air for a fire in a fireplace. Today's homes are much tighter—perfect for central heat, but a poor source of oxygen for the fireplace. If your fire acts in a desultory fashion, and trails of smoke occasionally creep around the fireplace facing, lack of oxygen may very well be the problem. The test: strike a match and slowly lower it to the floor. If the flame goes out about an inch or so from the floor, the room has too little oxygen for the fire (but enough for you—don't be alarmed). The remedy: have a window slightly open in the room.

SPOTTING THE POORLY DESIGNED FIREPLACE

You're planning to buy a home, and want to know if the fireplace works. How can you tell?

The surest way, after agreeing to buy the house, is to ask the owner to start a log fire—not paper. Five or ten minutes of brisk burning is enough to determine the efficiency of the fireplace. If it smokes, you might then negotiate a price reduction based on an estimate for fixing it.

In an older home, you can also look for excessive black smudges on the facing or underneath the mantel. Then, work the damper back and forth. If it fails to open all the way, the opening may be too small. Now examine what sifts down into the firebox. If a load of black soot tumbles out, the chimney may have to be cleaned.

Hold the damper open and look up the chimney to make sure it's clear (unless, of course, a turn in the flue obstructs your vision). Also, see that the damper frame is as wide as the fireplace opening, and, if possible, whether the smoke chamber walls are smooth and sloped properly.

Finally, be sure the chimney is tall enough as previously explained.

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TYPE OF JOB	COST
Prefab fireplace kit	$180 to $450
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Factory-built fireplace, installed	$450 to $650
Heat-circulating form only	$75 to $175
Heat-circulating form installed and finished	$500 to $800
Masonry fireplace, front opening on outside wall in new one-story home	$400 to $800
Masonry fireplace, front opening on inside wall in new one-story home	$450 to $900
Masonry fireplace, front opening in two-story home	Add $100 to $400
Masonry fireplace, front opening on outside wall in existing one-story home	$550 to $950
Masonry fireplace, front opening on inside wall in existing one-story home	$650 to $1100
Masonry fireplace, front opening in existing two-story home	Add $200 to $600
Masonry fireplace, two or more openings in any house	$700 and up

FIREPLACES RATED ON WORKABILITY

The best is a tie between the free-standing prefab and the factory-built fireplace. Unless you order the wrong flue by mistake (difficult, since the specifications are quite clear), these neatly made units will draw quite efficiently.

Just about as foolproof is the heat-circulating fireplace form. The innards are engineered to operate perfectly. It's possible, though rare, to fit on the wrong-size flue. Or the mason could neglect to open up the heat-circulating vents and connect the ducts. If this happens, the form may buckle from the fire's heat. Installed correctly, this form assures you of a clean fire.

Next is a front-opening masonry fireplace. Your chances of getting a smoothly operating fireplace are very good, but, as noted earlier, a number of things can go wrong.

Then comes a masonry fireplace with front and one side open. Sizing of the flue, throat, and chamber is more complicated, so there's more opportunity for mistakes. To help you duck trouble, one company has produced a factory-built job with a front and side opening.

Finally, any masonry fireplace with front and back open, three sides open, or all four sides open. Even with the most careful design, unfavorable cross-currents of air in the room may make these fireplaces smoke.

For any fireplace with two or more openings, specify a "universal dome," a combination of throat and damper in metal that is built to handle the special fireplace.

FIREPLACES RATED ON HEAT

The fireplace with heat-circulating form wins top honors.

Then it's a toss-up between the prefab and the factory-built fireplace. They operate well and the metal helps throw off the heat.

Next best is a front-opening masonry fireplace that has splayed sides and a canted backwall in the firebox. A square or rectangular firebox radiates far less heat into the room.

Masonry or metal-form fireplace with front and one side open is next.

Finally you can consider any fireplace open front and back, or on three or four sides more as a decoration that gives little heat!

OPENING A BOARDED-UP FIREPLACE

Some old fireplaces were boarded over, some bricked in, and others plastered over. Putting one back into working condition is, nine times out of ten, a job for a professional. Make sure the man you hire has had experience in this specialty.

Problems that could crop up: A chimney that over the years has been clogged with dirt and crumbling mortar; a very old chimney badly in need of relining (or simply lining, since chimneys before 1900 were unlined); lack of a damper; firebox badly in need of repair.

If the job proves easy, the price might be as low as $25. However, the average job runs $200 to $800.

HOW TO BUILD A GOOD FIRE

Crumple three or four double pages of newspaper and lay them down between the andirons or under the basket grate. Over this make a loose thatch of sticks or pine kindling. On top of the irons build a triangle of three logs. Place the largest log in back, about an inch from the rear wall. Then a smaller log—preferably split—in front, leaving a space of about two inches between logs. Cradle a third log between the first two. Open the damper.

If the fireplace hasn't been used for a couple of days, crumple a half sheet of newspaper and lay it on top of the log pyramid. Light this sheet first. As it burns light the paper under the kindling.

For best results, of course, burn seasoned, dry wood, and let a bed of ashes accumulate under the grate.

FIREPLACE MAINTENANCE

How often should you have the chimney cleaned? "Never," says one expert, "providing you burn only hardwood." If you burn softwood or soft coal, the chimney may need cleaning about once every five years. Have a professional do it.

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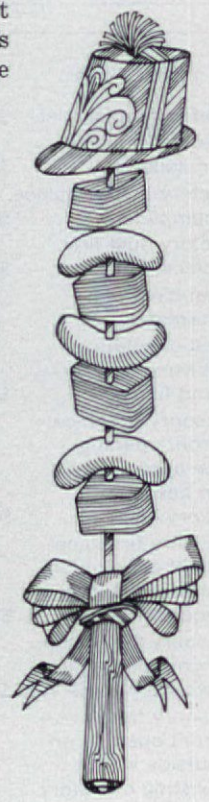
PARTYING WITH PORTABLES

Planning a party? Would you like to make this one something special by being a little different . . . yet simple enough so you can enjoy it too? Then take a tip from us and party with your portables!

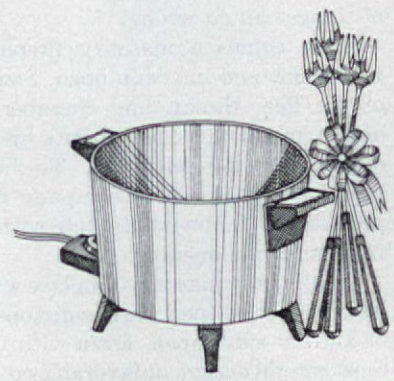
When a portable appliance joins your party, your work is *automatically* simplified, and you've an easier time of food preparation. What's more, you'll find that your appliance instruction book is a great party planner. It's got loads of good ideas for party refreshments that are particularly easy to make with that appliance. And here's a tip we've discovered: By leafing through the booklet and noting the variety of recipes listed, one or two are sure to spark some great ideas for party themes. Here are ideas inspired by some of the instruction books that come with the appliances shown below. We hope they will strike your fancy—be just the right idea for your party. Or maybe they'll tempt you to delve into your instruction books and plan your own version of a *portable* party.

Help-Yourself Eggnog Open House. Here's an unusual twist for an eggnog party. Set out your blender and surround it with the makings for eggnog—plus an assortment of extra flavor additions (cranberry juice, orange juice, chocolate syrup). Let each guest concoct his or her favorite variety. Pass platters of decorative Christmas cookies and tasty cheese straws.

New Year's Shish Kabob Party. Try these hot kabob hors d'oeuvres on your rotisserie broiler or special kabob appliance: Hawaiian Franks—skewered cocktail franks and pineapple chunks basted with undiluted pineapple-orange juice concentrate. Rumaki—soy-dipped chicken livers and water chestnuts, wrapped with bacon.

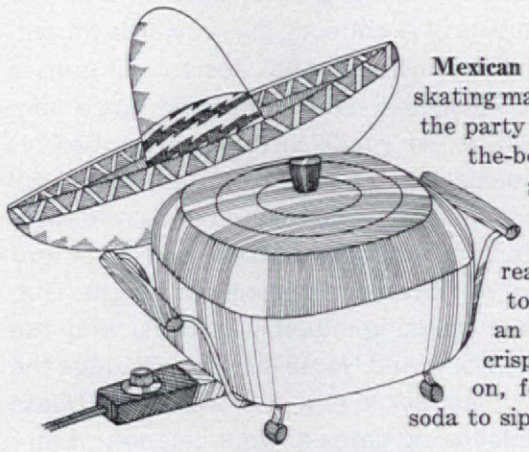


Portable oven (not shown) is also great for hot hors d'oeuvres. Try Pigs in Blankets—roll out packaged refrigerated biscuit dough to ¼-inch thickness; cut in ½-inch strips and wrap spiral fashion around Vienna sausages. Bake in a toaster oven till brown.



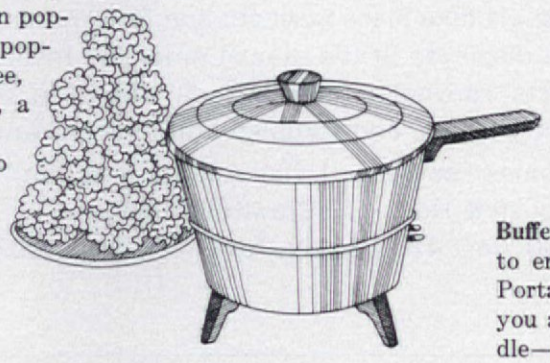
Fondue Bourguignonne is a party in itself! Half-fill automatic saucepan or frypan with cooking oil and set temperature at 400° to 425° F. Set out fondue forks, cubes of raw tenderloin, and assorted steak sauces (caper butter, Béarnaise, etc.). Each guest spears and cooks his own meat, seasons with his choice of sauce, and enjoys a glass of wine.

Caroling Party. Revive the wonderful old custom of Christmas Eve caroling. Invite the neighbors at each house to join your group and carol along with you. Bring them all back for a traditional Christmas Eve supper of steaming oyster stew. Make it ahead and keep it hot and ready to serve in your buffet server, electric saucepan, or on a warming tray.



Mexican Ice Skating Party. Ice skating may not be Mexican but the party will take a South-of-the-border flair when the gang comes back for a heaping bowl of hot chili and beans, already made and ready to heat and ladle out of an electric skillet. Pass crisp corn chips to munch on, foamy beer and cold soda to sip, and hang a piñata.

Trim-the-Tree Party. A corn-popping trim-the-tree session can become a great casual party. Put your electric corn popper to work—string popcorn to trim the tree, make popcorn balls, a popcorn snowman, caramel corn, but do save some for just plain nibbling.



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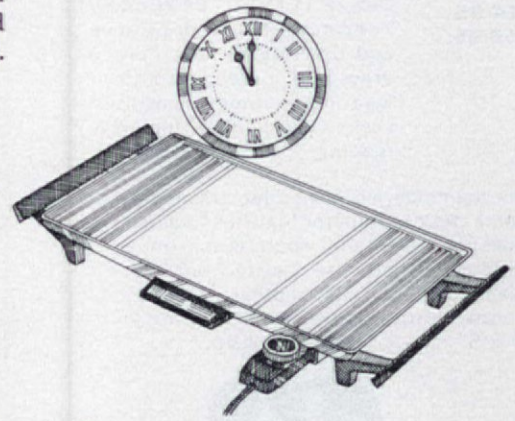
Irish Coffee. Deck the table with green shamrocks and a bright red bow. Set your automatic coffee maker to brew extra strong hot coffee and ask some friends to join you for Irish coffee.



Buffet Brunch. Have you tried this pleasant way to entertain special friends during the holidays? Portable appliances will work exceptionally well for you at your buffet brunch. Star your electric griddle—great for preparing large quantities of sausage, bacon, ham. Team it with your waffle-baker to make waffles on the spot. Next to a pitcher of waffle batter set out blueberries, pecans, grated orange rind so each guest can choose his favorite ingredient. And don't forget your juicer for fresh-squeezed orange or grapefruit juice. A buffet-size automatic coffee maker is especially nice for large crowds.

Drop in for Dessert. Now's the time to try some of those glamorous dessert recipes you've been saving. Turn your automatic buffet frypan into a temperature-controlled chafing dish for this special occasion, *and* for extra assurance of good results. Then bring on the cherries jubilee, or flaming crepes Suzette.

MORE IDEAS

Along with these party themes, we also found some good recipe ideas for party foods, such as **grilled bread sticks.** Cut bread slices in strips, roll in melted butter and grated cheese or sesame seeds or dried herbs. Grill on automatic griddle.

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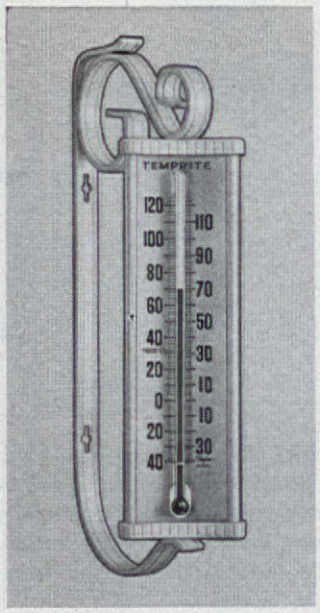

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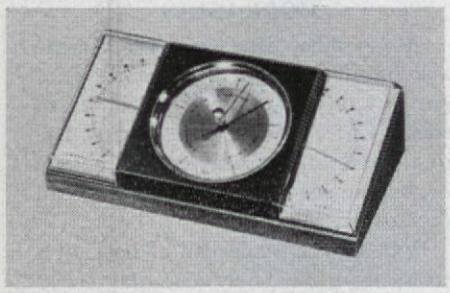

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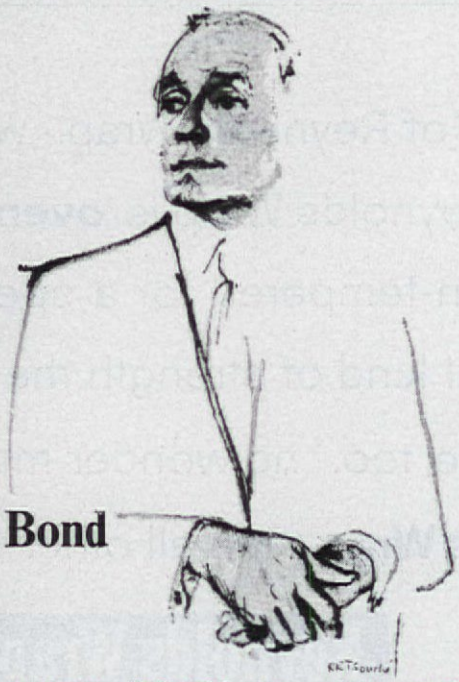

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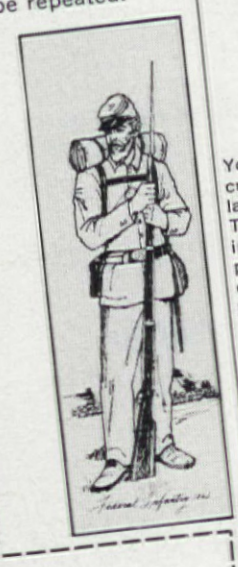

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CHRISTMAS: LEGENDS AND LORE

Christmas is the time when customs and traditions are brought forth with nostalgic memories of Christmas past and dreams of Christmas future.

Most of our Christmas traditions originated in Europe. Hence what the Christmas tree is to Northern Europe, the Christmas Crib is to Southern Europe. In France the Nativity scene is called the *crèche*—in Italy the *presepe*—in Germany, the *Krippe*—in Spain, the *Nacimiento*.

CHRISTMAS TREE

Some say the Christmas tree was first used in Germany and one of the legends regarding its appearance in the home is this often-told story.

Martin Luther wandered through the woods near his home one snowy Christmas Eve and he became enchanted with the star-filled sky. He cut a small snow-covered fir tree and brought it into his home. He trimmed the tree with many candles and lighted them to imitate the stars in the sky—to the delight of his children.

Another story states that the Duchess of Wittenberg (now part of Germany) decorated a small tree for each of her four children and surrounded each tree with gifts for the child. This could make a pretty tabletop or mantel decoration and be very appealing to the children in your own family.

CANDLELIGHT

The sun, the moon, and the stars are symbols of the Divine and in olden times, torches, watch fires, beacon lights, and lamps were used to celebrate joyous occasions and festivities. Candles were used in churches to express Christmas joys.

YULE LOG

In ancient times the pagan Druid priests chose a Yule log and with great ceremony it was blessed and proclaimed that it should be everburning. Each year a branch was saved to rekindle the new fire. And from this pagan custom our present Christmas tradition evolved.

One pretty way to decorate the Yule log is to trim it with paper flowers and bright ribbons. Then the youngest child in the house pours wine on the log and a prayer is offered—that the fire might banish the cold, that the hungry might gain food, the weary find rest, and all enjoy Heaven's peace. Placed on a bed of hot ashes—previously prepared—the wood should burn throughout Christmas night.

PLANT LEGENDS

Christmas roses—the gift of Madelon. While the Three Wise Men were on their way to Bethlehem bearing their gifts to the Christ Child, they came upon a young girl—Madelon—tending her sheep. Madelon gazed at the magnificent gifts the Kings bore and she wept bitterly because she had no gift to give. Suddenly the fragrance of lilies spread over the ground and looking up Madelon saw an angel who asked her why she was weeping. Madelon answered that she had no gift for the Holy Child. The angel waved her lily wand—whereupon the whole path to Bethlehem was bordered with Christmas roses, which Madelon gathered for her gift to the infant Jesus.

MISTLETOE

In flower language mistletoe means "Give me a kiss." The custom of kissing under the mistletoe comes from a charming Scandinavian legend. Balder (the Scandinavian Apollo) received a charm from his mother Frigga (the Scandinavian Venus), against all injury from everything which sprang from the four elements: fire, water, air, and earth.

Loki, the evil spirit, hating Balder, formed an arrow from mistletoe which does not grow from any of these elements; it grows without roots on trees. The arrow was placed in the hands of blind Helder. Loki directed him to shoot. The mistletoe dart struck Balder to the ground. Frigga's tears became the white berries of the mistletoe. Balder was restored to life and Frigga decreed that the plant should never harm anyone again. Frigga, being goddess of Love and Beauty, and grateful for her son's return, bestowed a kiss on anyone who passed under the mistletoe. From this legend we derive our custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

EVERGREEN SYMBOLS

Using evergreens, fragrant herbs, cones, and hollies for Christmas wreaths is an ancient art. Wreaths of this type were used for festivities by the Egyptians 1000 years before Christ!

The Orientals embellished their festive wreaths with flowers and fruit. Ancient Hebrew records mention such wreaths and even the Druid priests used them.

Special flowers and plants were the symbols of honor, victory, achievement, and they were cherished for festive holiday tables. Living plants were beauty, evergreens symbolized eternity.

Holly, the tree and its branches are especially significant at Christmas. The name is said to be derived from the word holy.

In Pennsylvania there is an old Scottish-Irish legend—that hollies are male and female. Those with heavily spined leaves are known as "he" hollies, while the smooth-leaved kinds are the gentler sex. The type brought in for Christmas would determine who was to be head of the household for the coming year. It is believed by many that if holly is left hanging after Twelfth Night (January 6th) it is unlucky. Hence, the custom of burning the greens on that night.

CHRISTMAS TOASTS

Make these part of your Christmas customs:

"At Christmas play and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year." Thomas Tusser.

"Now Christmas is come,
Let's beat up the drum,
And call all our neighbors together,
And when they appear,
Let us make then such cheer,
As will keep out the wind and the weather." Washington Irving.

"Heap on more wood, the wind is chill,
But let it whistle as it will,
We'll keep our Christmas, Merry still." Sir Walter Scott.

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day,
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet, the word repeat,
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PUT LIFE IN YOUR CHRISTMAS SNAPSHOTS

Christmas is an ideal time for picture taking. A shot of the children delighted at seeing the decorated tree, or of mom holding up her present from dad, is a welcome addition to the family album. And, one of your better shots might even make a personalized illustration for next year's greeting cards.

Fortunately, so little mystery is left in photography that even with the simplest camera and flashgun almost anyone can produce appealing snapshots. It just takes a little thought and planning.

PREPARE IN ADVANCE

An important point to keep in mind is to load your camera before Christmas morning. Many an excellent shot has been missed because the camera wasn't ready when the kids started opening their presents.

Just as vital is the need to use fresh film, flashbulbs, and flash batteries. These items have a way of lying around much longer than you realize. So check them at least a day or two in advance. And be sure the bulbs and film are properly matched. The necessary information will be on the instruction sheet packed with the film.

Once you start the actual shooting, don't be afraid to experiment a little. For example, avoid formal, posed situations. Candid shots have far more appeal. Keep the camera as unobtrusive as possible, and fire away when the kids are doing something especially photogenic.

TRICKS WITH FLASH

Your flashgun offers some of the best creative possibilities. For general shooting, just keep it on the camera, and be sure its reflector is above the lens, not below, as sometimes happens when you shoot with the camera held vertically. Otherwise, you'll get ugly facial shadows that are more suited to Halloween than Christmas.

If your flashgun has a removable or collapsible reflector, try shooting with a reflectorless flashbulb. This technique gives a soft, glarefree light without excessive shadows, because the subject is illuminated simultaneously by direct light from the bulb and indirect light bouncing off the walls and ceiling. A similar effect is obtained by aiming the flashgun at the ceiling as you shoot. This is accomplished by removing the flashgun from the camera and either holding it in your hand or clamping it to a door, table, or other handy object. The reflector should be in place, and a flash extension cord may be necessary. Some flashguns have tilting heads, which simplify matters considerably.

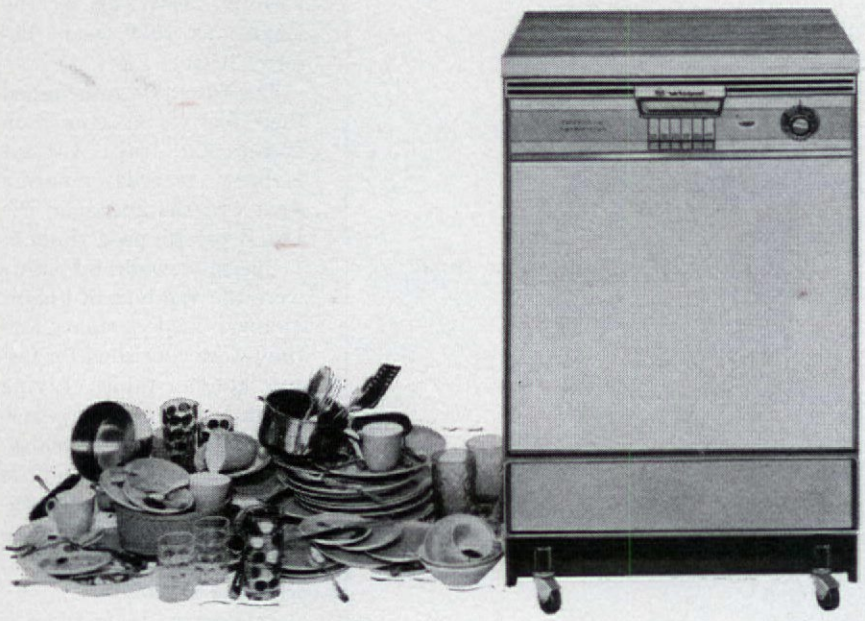
These tricks work best with black-and-white film and require the lens to be opened two stops wider than for regular flash shots. They also work well with color, provided the ceiling, walls, and other surroundings are white or light colored. But a brightly colored object near the subject will often ruin the picture by reflecting its color onto the subject. Be careful.

SHOOT YOUR TREE

Want an especially nice shot of your Christmas tree? Place the camera on a tripod or other firm support, with the flashgun ready to fire, and the shutter set on "B." Compose your picture, then depress the shutter release, preferably with a flexible shutter release cable. Now, wait two or three seconds before releasing your pressure on the shutter. Result: the tree lights will be vivid and dramatic in your picture.

Another way to achieve the same effect is to hold the flashgun in your hand, take a two- or three-second time exposure, and fire the flashgun from your hand while the shutter is open. Naturally, this requires a flashgun with "open flash" button.

When taking flash pictures that include a good portion of the room, use



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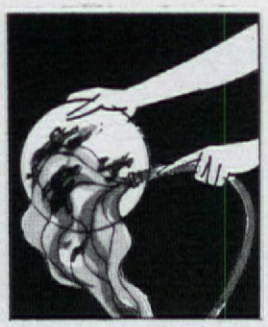

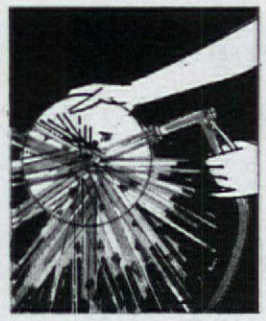

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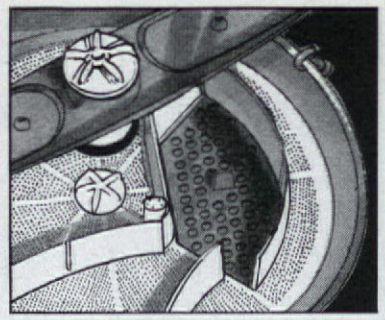

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small flashbulbs, such as M2s or M2Bs. Since these give a comparatively small amount of light, you'll have to use slow shutter speeds. These slow speeds permit the room lights to register well on the film, giving a natural appearance to the snapshots. Larger bulbs dominate the room lights, giving more artificial-looking shots.

One word of caution before we leave the subject of flash photography: If your camera came with a plastic shield which fits over the flashgun, use it. Or, place a clear plastic bag over the gun before shooting. Flashbulbs occasionally shatter, emitting hot particles. It's a rare occurrence, but worth guarding against.

GET IN CLOSE

Ever wonder why a professional's portrait photos are so effective? A good part of the secret is strict adherence to a fundamental rule of photography: "Get in close." Try shooting at ranges of five to ten feet. The subject comes across with much more strength than when the person is so far away that faces lose their character.

However, if you move in so close that one person's head and shoulders fill the picture, the face will be visibly distorted. The nose and cheeks might be too large, or one side of the face might appear swollen. (An exception here is a young child, whose small features distort less.)

Another basic rule to keep in mind is to avoid cluttered backgrounds. A profusion of furniture, paintings, and the like will distract the viewer, robbing the subject of appeal. Be especially wary of shooting into mirrors, windows, and large, shiny decorative pieces that will reflect the light right back into your lens.

ILLUSTRATE NEXT YEAR'S CARDS

When your pictures come back from the processor, a few will stand out from the rest. These are likely candidates for an increasingly popular use—personalized Christmas cards for next year. Take your prize shot to a camera dealer next autumn, and he'll do the rest. Cost is reasonable and satisfaction quite high.

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I'M TASTING COOKIES

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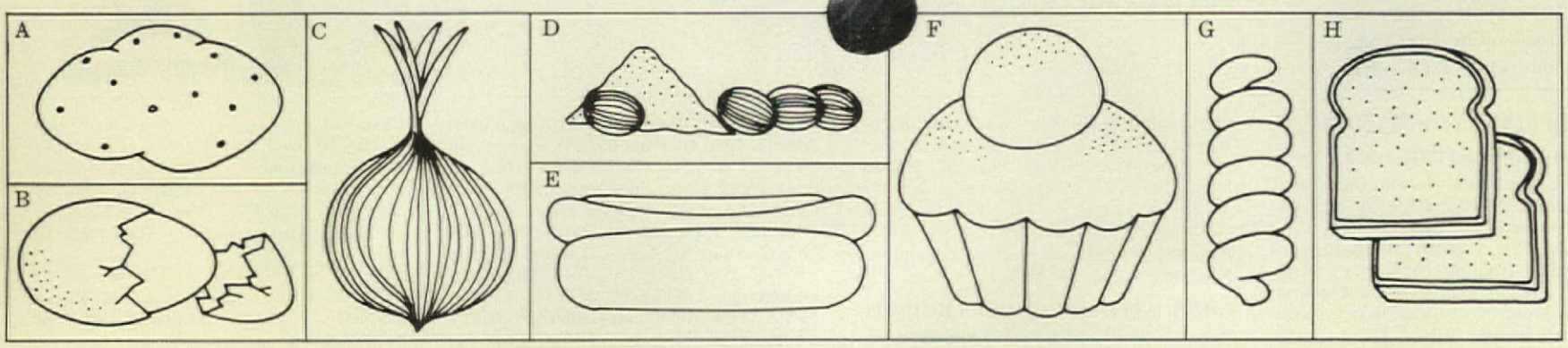
TAKE OUR 1966 GADGET QUIZ

We call it "gadgetometry"—a course for those amateur chefs who go to buy a can opener,-and come back hours later laden with gadgets. It takes little time to complete our course (just match the gadgets in the picture with the foods shown below). But if your experience in gadgetometry is limited, you may have trouble passing. In that case we'd suggest a remedial workout in your kitchen—buy some and try some. (For answers turn to page 109.)



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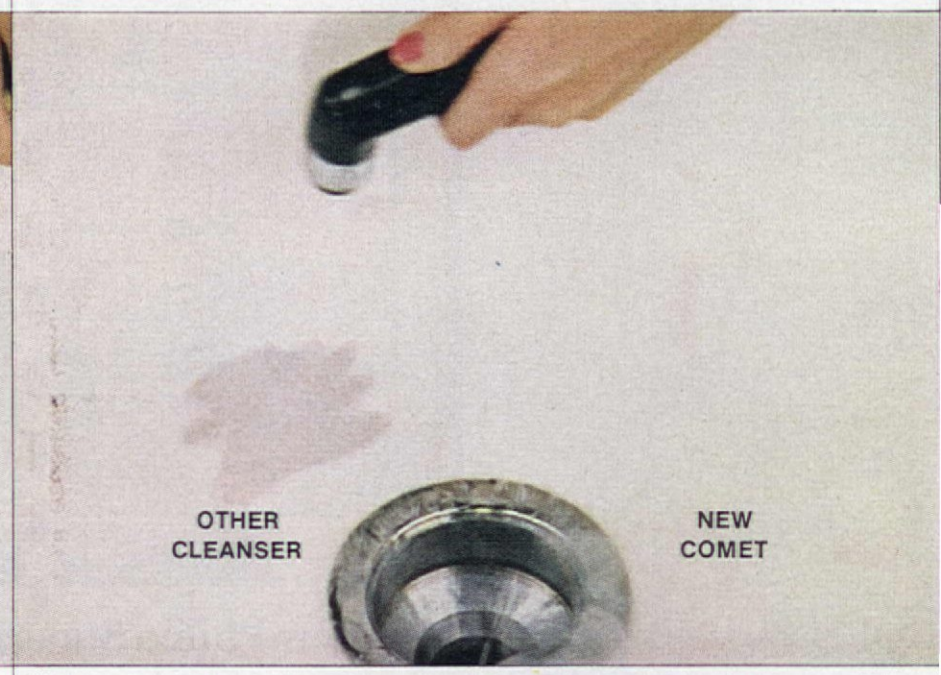

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Serve it in an earthenware casserole placed over an alcohol burne
to keep it bubbling slightly. With a special fondue fork, eac
guest dips crusty chunks of bread into the mixture, swirling as h
dunks. Tradition has it that if the bread comes off in the dunking, yo
pay a forfeit, often a bottle of wine. Good dunking! The recipe
the secret to its success, and more about the party are on page 10

Photographer: Richard Jeffe

THE PARTY'S AT OUR HOUSE!

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Holidays are the season for giving—giving gifts and giving parties. And when you serve a delectable dish to your friends you are, in a sense, giving of yourself. Whether you're planning a traditional holiday dinner, an evening dinner party, or an open-house buffet, here are four very special main dishes that are favorites of ours. And in the spirit of the season we would like to pass them on to you. A glistening Roast Goose with Cranberry-Orange Relish and Celery-Prune Stuffing; Onion Tart with smoky ham; Scalloped Oysters, steaming in a creamy sauce and topped with crisp, buttery crackers; Stuffed Onions, filled with spicy sausage and served with Mushroom Sauce.

For these special recipes for holiday dining, turn to page 101.

I'M TASTING COOKIES—JUST FOR SANTA

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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Cookies for the jolly gentleman from the North Pole must be extra special—extra special at Christmas too for little boys and little girls and the grown-ups. That's why we've baked up a batch of the yummiest, the best-eating Christmas cookies ever. Their very names are tantalizing enough to get you rushing to the cookie sheet! On the trays below are Coconut Dreams, Almond Jelly Tarts, Maple Nut Lace Cookies, Ginger Date Chews, Pecan Rings, Fruited Brandy Strips, Coconut Meringue Wreaths, Glazed Sugar Cookies, Snowflakes, Checkerboard Cookies, Ribbon Cookies, Christmas Spritzes, and Strufoli. To identify these pretty cookies and for their recipes, please turn to page 98.

I'm Tasting Cookies (continued from page 97)

COCONUT DREAMS

1 c. soft butter or margarine
¼ c. sifted confectioners' sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
2 c. sifted all-purpose flour
1 can (3½ oz.) flaked coconut, finely chopped
Colored coconut

Heat oven to 350° F. Cream butter or margarine, sugar, and vanilla together in bowl; blend in flour; stir in 1 can coconut. Chill a few minutes for easier handling, if desired. Pinch off small pieces of dough. Shape into 1-inch balls. Place about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 15 to 18 minutes or until very lightly browned. Transfer to wire racks. While hot, dip tops of cookies in warm glaze; sprinkle with colored coconut. Makes 3 dozen.

Glaze: Blend 3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine, ¼ cup warm milk, 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar, and 2 teaspoons vanilla.

ALMOND JELLY TARTS

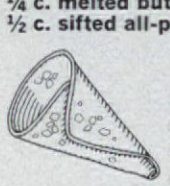
1 c. sifted all-purpose flour
¼ tsp. salt
⅓ c. soft butter or margarine
¼ c. sugar
1 egg yolk
½ tsp. almond extract
½ c. ground blanched almonds
Currant or raspberry jelly

Sift flour and salt together. Cream butter or margarine and sugar together in bowl. Add egg yolk and almond extract. Blend in flour mixture. Stir in almonds. Press small pieces of dough into sandbakel molds* or tiny fluted tart molds to form thin shell. Press dough slightly thicker at the top edge for easier removal. Freeze one-half hour. Place dough-filled molds on cookie sheets. Bake at 350 F. for 15 to 18 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer to wire racks; cool. Loosen tarts from pans with tip of paring knife; turn out of pans. Before serving, fill with jelly. Makes 2 dozen 1¾-inch tarts or 1½ dozen 2¼-inch tarts.

*You may purchase these molds in hardware or department stores. They are usually found in sets.

MAPLE NUT LACE COOKIES

½ c. pure maple syrup
¼ c. melted butter or margarine
½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
¼ tsp. salt
½ c. finely chopped pecans or walnuts

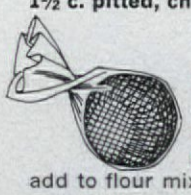


Combine syrup and butter or margarine. Blend in flour and salt; add nuts. Drop by level teaspoonfuls, 3 inches apart on greased cookie sheet. Bake only a few cookies at a time. Bake at 350° F. for 7 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool 30 seconds. Loosen each cookie carefully with spatula. Roll up cookie in cone shape*; cool on wire racks. Store in a container with a tight-fitting cover. Makes 2½ dozen.

*If cookies stiffen before they can be removed from cookie sheet, return to oven for a few seconds until pliable.

GINGER DATE CHEWS

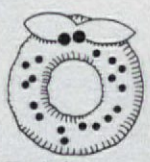
1 c. plus 2 tbs. sifted all-purpose flour
1¼ tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
1 c. sugar
1½ c. pitted, chopped dates
1½ c. chopped pecans
¼ c. finely chopped candied ginger
3 egg whites
½ c. sugar
3 egg yolks
Sifted confectioners' sugar



Heat oven to 325° F. Grease 13x9x2-inch baking pan. Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together in bowl. Add 1 cup sugar, dates, pecans, and ginger. Beat egg whites until foamy. Add ½ cup sugar gradually; continue beating until meringue forms stiff, glossy peaks; reserve. Beat egg yolks until fluffy with same beater; add to flour mixture. Fold in meringue. Spread mixture evenly in prepared pan. Bake 25 minutes or until lightly browned. While warm cut into 1-inch squares; shape into balls; roll in confectioners' sugar. Store in a container with a tight-fitting cover. Makes 4 dozen.

PECAN RINGS

3 c. sifted all-purpose flour
1 tsp. salt
1 c. soft butter or margarine
1 c. sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
1 egg
1¼ c. ground or finely chopped pecans
¼ c. sugar
1 egg white, slightly beaten
Royal Frosting
Green food coloring
Silver dragées



Sift flour and salt together. Cream butter or margarine and 1 cup sugar until light and fluffy. Add vanilla and egg; beat until smooth. Add 1 cup pecans. Add flour; mix until blended. Combine ¼ cup sugar and ¼ cup pecans; reserve for topping. Pinch off small, even pieces of dough; roll each on board with palms of hands into a rope 4½ inches long. Shape into a ring, pinching ends together. Brush top of ring with egg white; dip into sugar-pecan mixture. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Bake at 350° F. for 12 minutes or until very lightly browned. Cool on wire racks. Prepare Royal Frosting; tint with green food coloring. Press through cake decorator using leaf decorating tip. Top with dragées. Makes 6 dozen.

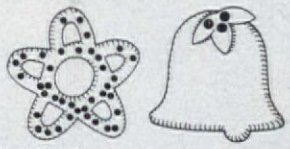
ROYAL FROSTING

3 egg whites
½ tsp. cream of tartar
1 pkg. (1 lb.) sifted confectioners' sugar

Beat egg whites and cream of tartar until foamy. Beat in confectioners' sugar slowly until well blended. Beat at high speed until mixture holds its shape and knife drawn through frosting leaves sharp, clean path. Frosting will harden quickly, so keep it covered with a damp towel as you work with it to prevent its drying out. Tint portions of frosting with food coloring to decorate cookies. If frosting loses its stiffness, beat with electric mixer to restiffen. Note: This frosting is an excellent one not only for these special Christmas cookies, but for others you wish to decorate for any occasion.

GLAZED SUGAR COOKIES

3½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
2½ tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
⅔ c. shortening
1½ c.sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
2 eggs
1 tbs. milk



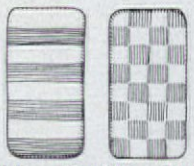
Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Cream shortening and sugar in bowl until light and fluffy. Add vanilla and eggs; beat until smooth. Add milk; blend in flour mixture. Chill dough several hours for easier handling. Roll out a quarter of dough at a time on lightly floured board to ¼-inch thickness. Cut out cookies with floured Christmas-motif cutters. Place 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Bake at 400° F. for 5 to 6 minutes or until edges are very lightly browned. Remove cookies from cookie sheets with spatula; cool on wire racks. Makes 6 dozen.

To glaze and decorate: Add a little hot water to sifted confectioners' sugar; stir until smooth. Tint pastel colors with food coloring. Spread evenly on cookies. Decorate with colored sprinkles, colored sugar, red cinnamon candies, or silver dragées.

Snowflakes: Prepare and roll out dough as above. Cut out cookies with star-shaped cutter; place on cookie sheets. Make several cutouts in cookies with tiny hors d'oeuvre cutters or tip of paring knife; remove cutouts. Brush cookies with slightly beaten egg whites; sprinkle with crushed lump sugar. Snowflakes may also be glazed.

RIBBON AND CHECKERBOARD COOKIES

2 c. sifted all-purpose flour
1 tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
½ c. butter or margarine
⅔ c. sugar
1 egg
1 tsp. vanilla
8 drops red or 10 drops green food coloring
Milk



Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Cream butter or margarine and sugar together until light and fluffy. Add egg and vanilla; beat until smooth. Add flour mixture; beat until blended. Divide dough in half; add food coloring to one half of dough; leave other half plain.

Ribbon Cookies: Roll or pat each half of dough out on wax paper into rectangle 4 inches wide, 11 inches long, and ⅛ inch thick. Chill for 30 minutes or until firm. Brush top of one rectangle with milk; place second rectangle of dough on top. Cut rectangle of dough in half lengthwise, making two strips 2 inches wide and 11 inches long. Brush the top of one strip with milk; place second strip on top, making dough 4 layers high, alternating colors. Wrap in wax paper; chill overnight.

Checkerboard Cookies: Prepare dough as for ribbon cookies. Cut the dough (4 layers high, 2 inches wide, and 11 inches long) lengthwise into 8 strips, each ¼ inch wide. Lay one strip flat on wax paper; brush with milk. Turn second strip upside down; place on top of first strip so colored dough is on top of plain dough. Continue building checkerboard with remaining strips, inverting every other one to make a stack of 8. Wrap in wax paper; chill overnight.

Slice Ribbons and Checkerboards ⅛ inch thick; place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Bake at 375° F. 7 to 8 minutes. Cookies should not brown. Makes 4 dozen.

CHRISTMAS SPRITZES

2½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
½ tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
¾ tsp. ground cardamom
1 c. soft butter or margarine
¾ c. sugar
3 egg yolks
1 tsp. grated lemon rind
Green food coloring
Multicolored sprinkles

Heat oven to 400° F. Sift flour, baking powder, salt, and cardamom together. Cream butter or margarine and sugar in bowl until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks and lemon rind; beat until smooth. Blend in flour mixture. Tint dough pale green with a few drops of green food coloring. Put a small amount of dough into cookie press with star pattern, or into a pastry bag with notched tip. Press cookies 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Decorate with multicolored sprinkles. Bake 7 to 9 minutes or until just set; do not brown. Cool on wire racks. Makes 6 dozen.

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Recipe for a successful party: Lipton California Dip.

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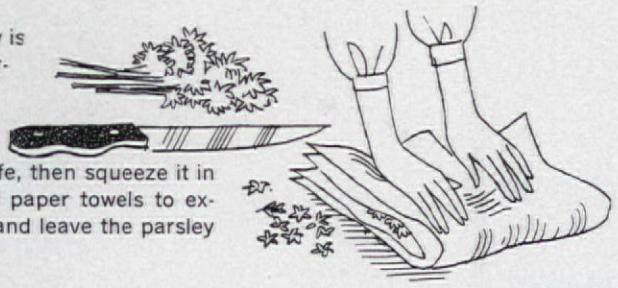
A sprinkling of parsley is often the perfect garnish, but to look its best the parsley must be dry. Chop it with a very sharp French knife, then squeeze it in a double thickness of paper towels to extract all the moisture and leave the parsley dry and nicely fluffed.



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RAISIN HONEY DROPS

¾ cup honey
¾ cup sugar
¾ cup butter or margarine
1 egg
2 cups sifted flour
1 tsp. *each* salt and cinnamon
½ tsp. soda
2 cups uncooked rolled oats
1 cup DEL MONTE Seedless Raisins

Cream honey, sugar, butter and egg. Sift together flour, salt, cinnamon, soda. Stir into creamed mixture. Add rolled oats and raisins. Drop by heaping teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet. Bake on upper shelf of mod. hot oven (375°) 12 to 14 min., till lightly browned. Cool on racks. Makes about 4 dozen.

I'm Tasting Cookies (continued from page 98)

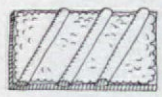
COCONUT MERINGUE WREATHS

2 egg whites
¼ tsp. salt
¼ c. superfine sugar
2 tbs. light corn syrup
1 tsp. vanilla or ½ tsp. almond extract
2 cans (3½ oz. ea.) flaked coconut
¼ c. chopped, red candied cherries
¼ c. chopped, green candied cherries
Silver dragées

Heat oven to 350° F. Grease cookie sheets lightly. Beat egg whites with salt until foamy. Add sugar gradually; beat until soft peaks form. Beat in corn syrup and extract. Fold in coconut and cherries. Shape mixture carefully into small wreaths with teaspoon on cookie sheets. Decorate with silver dragées. Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool 3 minutes; remove from cookie sheets carefully with spatula. Cool completely on wire racks. Store in a container with a tight-fitting cover. Makes 2 dozen.

FRUITED BRANDY STRIPS

3½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
¾ c. sugar
½ tsp. salt
1⅓ c. butter or margarine
¼ c. brandy
1 jar (12 oz.) apple jelly
1 tsp. grated lemon rind
1 c. mixed candied fruit, chopped
¼ c. sugar
½ c. ground or finely chopped blanched almonds
1 egg white, slightly beaten



Sift flour, ¾ cup sugar, and salt together. Cut in butter or margarine with pastry blender until mixture resembles cornmeal. Add brandy; mix until smooth dough is formed. Pat three quarters of dough evenly in 15x10x1-inch jelly-roll pan. Chill remaining dough 10 to 15 minutes for easier handling. Beat jelly until smooth; add lemon rind and candied fruit. Spread jelly mixture evenly over dough in pan. Combine ¼ cup sugar and almonds. Roll chilled dough into ropes ¼ inch thick. Brush tops of ropes with egg white; sprinkle with almond mixture; place diagonally across top of jelly at ½-inch intervals. Bake at 375° F. for 20 to 25 minutes or until lightly browned. While warm, cut into strips 1x2½ inches. Makes 5 dozen.

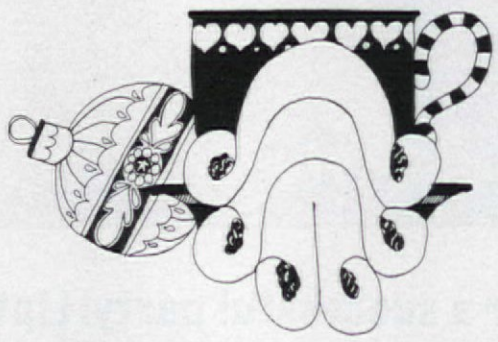
STRUFOLI

3 c. sifted all-purpose flour
2 tsp. sugar
¼ tsp. salt
4 eggs
1 egg yolk
¼ c. pure vegetable oil
½ tsp. grated lemon rind
Fat or pure vegetable oil for frying
½ c. honey
½ c. sugar
Multicolored sprinkles

Sift flour, 2 teaspoons sugar, and salt together into large mixing bowl; make well in the center. Combine eggs, egg yolk, oil, and lemon rind; pour into well; mix until smooth. Knead 5 or 6 times. Shape dough, a small amount at a time, on board into a rope ¼ inch thick. Cut into tiny pieces about ¼ inch long. Put enough fat or oil in heavy saucepan so it will be 2 to 3 inches deep when heated. Heat to 425° F. Fry pieces, a small amount at a time, in hot fat for less than a minute, until lightly browned and puffed. Drain on paper towels. When all the dough is fried, combine honey and sugar in large skillet or saucepan. Heat until sugar melts; cook gently 5 minutes. Add crisp puffs, stir quickly to coat with honey mixture. Shape into small clusters; decorate with multicolored sprinkles. Store in a container with a tight-fitting cover. Makes 3 dozen.

LUCIA BUNS (See page 58)

½ tsp. saffron threads
¾ c. milk, scalded
¼ c. warm water (105° to 115° F.)
1 pkg. active dry yeast or 1 cake compressed yeast
½ c. sugar
1 tsp. salt
½ c. soft butter or margarine
3 eggs
5 to 5½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
½ c. ground, blanched almonds
½ c. raisins
1 egg, beaten
1 tbs. water



Soak saffron in scalded milk until milk is lukewarm. Strain mixture; reserve milk. Measure warm water into large mixing bowl; sprinkle or crumble in yeast; stir to dissolve. Add reserved milk, sugar, salt, butter or margarine, 3 eggs, and 2 cups flour. Beat until smooth. Add almonds and enough remaining flour to make dough easy to handle. Turn dough out on floured board; knead about 5 minutes or until dough is smooth and elastic. Put dough into large, greased bowl; turn over to bring greased side up. Cover with damp towel. Let rise in warm place (85° F.), free from draft, about 1 to 1½ hours or until dough is doubled in bulk. Punch dough down. Turn out on floured board. Knead to distribute air bubbles. Let rest 10 min-

utes. To make shape called Vicar's Hair: Divide dough into 32 pieces. Roll each piece into a rope 18 inches long. Cut each rope into 3 shorter pieces, 8, 6, and 4 inches long. Shape 8-inch piece into a V shape; curl the ends of the pieces to resemble a lock of hair. Put a raisin in each curl. Shape 6-inch piece of dough around 8-inch piece; curl ends; insert raisin in each. Shape 4-inch piece of dough around 6-inch piece the same way. Repeat with remaining dough. Place on greased cookie sheets. Let rise about 30 minutes or until doubled in bulk. Combine beaten egg and 1 tablespoon water. Brush on buns. Bake at 350° F. for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 32.

PEPPARKAKOR (See page 54)

3¾ c. sifted all-purpose flour
1 tbs. ground ginger
2 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 tsp. ground cloves
½ tsp. ground allspice
½ tsp. ground nutmeg
1 tsp. baking soda
1 c. butter or margarine
1 c. sugar
1 egg
½ c. light molasses

Sift flour, ginger, cinnamon, cloves, allspice, nutmeg, and baking soda together. Cream butter or margarine; add sugar gradually, beating until fluffy. Add egg and molasses; beat well. Add flour mixture gradually, beating until blended. Wrap in wax paper; chill overnight. Roll out dough, a small amount at a time, on floured board; cut with floured cutters. Place about 2 inches apart on lightly greased cookie sheets. Bake at 350° F. for 8 to 10 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool on wire racks. Make designs or outline on cookies with Decorator Frosting piped through cake decorator. Makes 8 dozen.

Decorator Frosting: Beat 1 egg white, ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar, and ⅛ teaspoon of salt until soft peaks form. Beat in 1¾ cups sifted confectioners' sugar gradually. Beat until frosting forms stiff peaks.

Fabulous Swiss Fondue (continued from page 93)

SWISS FONDUE

This simple and impressive recipe takes only a short time to prepare. The secret? It's in the constant stirring of the cheese as it melts and cooks. Some say you must stir in a figure eight, others say in a cross—but stir you must. And as each guest dunks his piece of bread, the fondue is stirred again. Toward the end, the melted cheese will form a brown crust in the dish (keep the heat low). This is considered a special delicacy to be divided among the guests. There often seems to be quite a controversy as to what beverage to serve with a fondue. Many insist upon tea or coffee, and perhaps kirsch, afterward; others serve white wine or beer. Whatever your choice, for a holiday party, make a point to have fondue.

1 loaf French bread
1 clove of garlic
½ lb. Swiss cheese, shredded
½ lb. natural Gruyère cheese, shredded
Few grains ground nutmeg
2 c. dry white wine
2 to 4 tbs. kirsch or Cognac
3 tbs. potato flour
½ tsp. salt
Dash of pepper

Cut bread in small pieces so that each piece has a portion of crust; cover; reserve. Rub earthenware fondue dish with cut clove of garlic. Add cheeses, nutmeg, and wine. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until cheese melts and mixture begins to bubble. Blend kirsch or Cognac and potato flour; add to cheese mixture. Add salt and pepper. Continue cooking, stirring constantly, until cheese mixture thickens and bubbles. Place over alcohol lamp of chafing dish to keep warm. Fondue should bubble gently all the time. Spear cubes of bread on fondue forks, piercing through soft bread and securing the tines of the fork in the crust. Dip into fondue, swirling through cheese mixture. If fondue becomes too thick, stir in a little warm (never cold) wine. Makes 6 to 8 appetizer servings or 4 to 5 entrée servings.

The Party's at Our House! (continued from page 95)

SCALLOPED OYSTERS

2 c. crushed saltine crackers
1 c. soft bread crumbs (2 slices)
¾ c. melted butter or margarine
1 qt. fresh oysters, drained, or 5 cans (7 oz. ea.) frozen oysters, thawed and well drained
½ tsp. salt
⅛ tsp. pepper
Dash of cayenne
¾ c. light cream
1 tbs. butter or margarine

Combine crackers, bread crumbs, and ¾ cup butter or margarine in bowl. Put ⅓ of crumb mixture in greased, 1½-quart casserole. Add half the oysters. Combine salt, pepper, and cayenne; sprinkle half the seasonings over the oysters. Repeat crumb and oyster layers; sprinkle with remaining seasonings. Pour cream over oysters. Top with remaining crumbs. Dot with 1 tablespoon butter or margarine. Bake at 375° F. for 20 to 25 minutes or until crumbs are lightly browned. For a browner top, place casserole under low broiler heat for 2 to 3 minutes or until as browned as desired. Garnish with wreath of chopped parsley and cherry tomatoes, if desired. Makes 6 servings. (continued on page 102)

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¼ cup butter or margarine
6-10 ozs. regular marshmallows (about 40) or 4 cups miniature marshmallows
6 cups KELLOGG'S RICE KRISPIES

1. Melt butter in 3-quart saucepan. Add marshmallows and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until marshmallows are melted and mixture is syrupy. Remove from heat.

2. Add Rice Krispies and stir until well-coated.

3. Press warm mixture evenly and firmly into buttered 13 x 9-inch pan. Cut into squares when cool.

Yield: 24 2-inch squares

Note: About 2 cups marshmallow creme may be substituted for marshmallows. Add to melted butter and cook over low heat about 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Proceed as directed in step No. 2 above.

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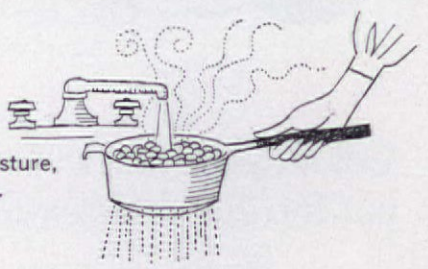
To plump raisins quickly: Put raisins (or currants) in a strainer or colander and hold them under running hot water a minute or two. Shake to remove excess moisture, then turn them out on paper towels to dry.



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STUFFED ONIONS

8 large Bermuda onions
1½ lbs. bulk sausage
1½ c. chopped celery
1½ c. soft bread crumbs (3 slices)
3 tbs. chopped parsley
¼ c. melted butter or margarine

Peel onions; cut ½ inch off tops. Parboil in boiling, salted water for 10 minutes; drain. Remove centers of onions, leaving a shell ¼ inch thick. (Use centers to season vegetables or soup at another meal.) Sauté sausage and celery until sausage is lightly browned; drain off fat. Combine sausage, celery, bread crumbs, and parsley; fill onions. Place onions in shallow, 2-quart casserole; brush with melted butter or margarine. Pour remaining butter or margarine around onions in casserole. Bake, uncovered, at 425° F. for 20 to 25 minutes or until onions are tender and filling is browned. Baste with drippings during baking. Serve with Mushroom Sauce. Garnish with parsley and pimiento, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

Mushroom Sauce: Sauté ½ pound sliced mushrooms in ¼ cup butter or margarine for 5 minutes or until tender. Place ¼ cup flour in skillet. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until flour is lightly browned; reserve. Melt ¼ cup butter or margarine in saucepan; blend in browned flour. Remove from heat. Blend in 2 cups light cream or half-and-half gradually. Add mushrooms. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until sauce bubbles and thickens. Simmer 3 minutes, stirring occasionally. Makes about 2½ cups.

ROAST GOOSE WITH CELERY-PRUNE STUFFING

1 c. chopped onion (1 large)
2 c. diced celery
⅓ c. melted butter or margarine
6 c. bread cubes (12 slices)
3 c. peeled, cored, and diced cooking apples
3 c. pitted cooked prunes, cut up
2½ tsp. salt
12 to 14 lb. goose
1 onion, sliced
1 c. celery leaves, chopped
Watercress
Orange Cups
Cranberry-Orange Relish

Sauté chopped onion and celery in butter or margarine until tender. Place in large mixing bowl. Add bread cubes, apples, prunes, and salt; mix lightly. Clean goose; remove all visible fat. Dry goose inside and out; salt cavity lightly. Fill cavity loosely with stuffing; fasten opening with skewers; lace closed with string. Place goose on rack in roasting pan; do not cover; do not add water. Add sliced onion and celery leaves to roasting pan. Roast at 325° F. for 4 to 4½ hours* or until tender (leg should move easily when grasped with a paper towel). Prick goose lightly around legs and wings during roasting to allow fat to drain off. Baste goose occasionally with drippings. Remove goose to heated platter. Garnish with watercress and Orange Cups filled with Cranberry-Orange Relish. Makes 8 servings.

*Roasting time for other size geese:
4 to 6 pounds—2¾ to 3 hours
8 to 10 pounds—3½ to 3¾ hours

CRANBERRY-ORANGE RELISH

1 lb. cranberries
2 large oranges, quartered and seeded
2 c. sugar

Sort cranberries; stem; wash. Put cranberries and oranges through food grinder using medium blade. Stir in sugar; cover; refrigerate overnight. Makes about 4 cups.

Orange Cups: Cut oranges in half. Remove sections and membranes (use sections another time). Scallop edges with sharp knife, if desired. Fill with Cranberry-Orange Relish. Arrange around goose.

ONION TART

½ pkg. pie-crust mix
2 c. chopped onion (2 large)
3 tbs. butter or margarine
3 eggs, slightly beaten
1½ c. light cream
¼ tsp. salt
Dash of pepper
1 c. chopped, cooked ham

Prepare pie-crust mix according to package directions. Line 9-inch pie plate with pastry. Heat oven to 400° F. Sauté onion in butter or margarine until soft. Combine eggs, cream, salt, pepper, ham, and onion. Pour into pastry-lined pie plate. Place on bottom shelf of oven. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until thin-bladed knife or spatula inserted 1 inch from edge comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes before cutting; cut in wedges. Garnish with pimiento, cut in bell shapes, and pickled onions, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

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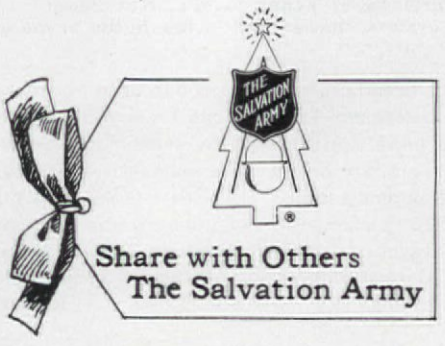

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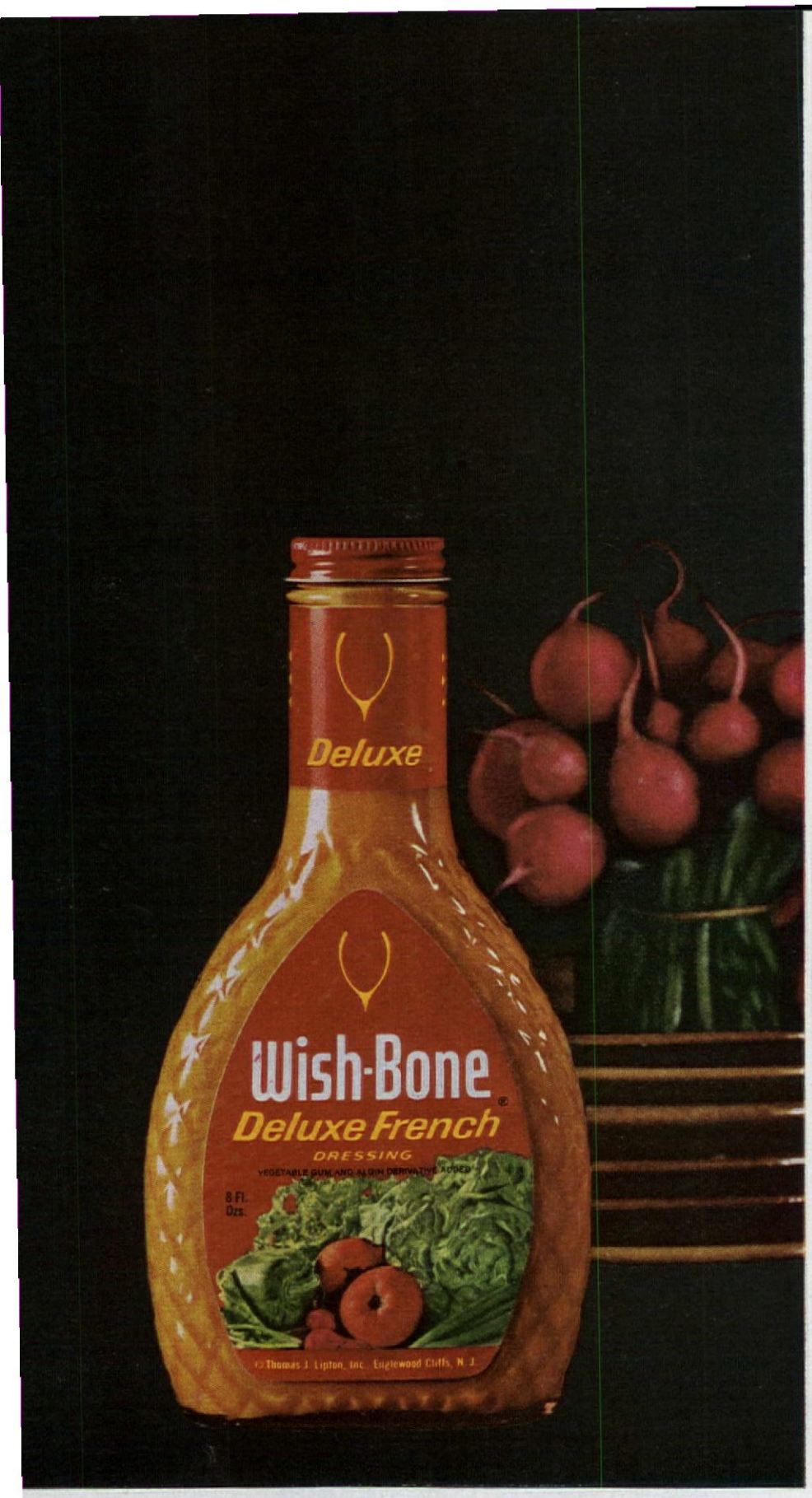

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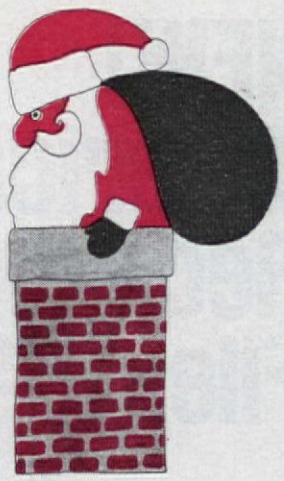

COMPANY'S COMING TO A COCKTAIL PARTY

The cocktail party is a favorite way of entertaining old friends and new. For your holiday party, look for something special for hors d'oeuvres. Here are some good tidbits—two with a light and flaky pastry, one with a ready-to-bake puffy pastry, and a cheese log. All are quick and easy to make; and with advance preparation you are free to enjoy the party.

Beverages of Your Choice
Celery Sticks Carrot Curls Cauliflowerets
Hiawathas (Chicken in Pastry Canoes)*
Curried Mushroom Puffs*
Frankly Tasty Roll-Ups*
Blue Cheese Logs*

HIAWATHAS

Cream-Cheese Pastry:

1 c. soft butter or margarine
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese
1 tsp. salt
3 c. sifted all-purpose flour

Cream butter or margarine, cream cheese, and salt together until smooth. Work in flour with spoon until mixture holds together. Shape into a ball. Heat oven to 400° F. Roll pastry ⅛-inch thick on sheet of heavy-duty aluminum foil. Cut pastry and foil together with scissors into 1½x3-inch rectangles. Moisten ends with water; pinch together; spread out slightly to form little canoes. Prick pastry well with fork to keep it in shape. Place on cookie sheet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until golden; remove foil. Canoes may be wrapped and frozen up to 2 weeks before the party. Fill with Chicken Almond Filling.

Chicken Almond Filling:

2 c. chopped, cooked chicken
½ c. minced celery
½ tsp. onion salt
2 tbs. lemon juice
¼ c. mayonnaise or salad dressing
1 c. chopped, toasted, blanched almonds

Combine chicken, celery, onion salt, and lemon juice. Add mayonnaise or salad dressing. Spoon into baked pastry canoes. Sprinkle with almonds. Bake at 375° F. for 10 minutes. Serve hot. Makes about 5 dozen.

FRANKLY TASTY ROLL-UPS

½ c. sesame seeds
Cream-Cheese Pastry (from Hiawathas)
2 cans (6 oz. ea.) cocktail frankfurters
1 egg yolk
2 tbs. water

Heat oven to 400° F. Spread sesame seeds in shallow pan; toast lightly in oven about 15 minutes or until golden brown. Roll out Cream-Cheese Pastry ⅛-inch thick on floured surface. Cut into 1¼x3-inch pieces. Place a tiny frankfurter on each piece; roll up. Beat egg yolk and water until blended. Moisten seam of pastry with egg mixture; press to seal. Place, seam side down, on cookie sheet. Brush top of each roll with egg mixture; sprinkle with toasted sesame seeds. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown. Serve hot. Roll-ups may be baked earlier in the day and reheated at 400° F. for 5 minutes. Makes about 4 dozen.

CURRIED MUSHROOM PUFFS

2 pkgs. crescent refrigerator rolls
1 egg yolk
2 tbs. water
½ lb. mushrooms, finely chopped
¼ c. minced onion (1 small)
¼ c. butter or margarine
1½ tbs. flour
½ tsp. salt
⅛ tsp. pepper
1 tsp. curry powder
½ c. light cream
1 tbs. minced parsley
Pimiento

Shells: Heat oven to 375° F. Unroll crescent refrigerator dough; cut into rounds with 1-inch cutter. Cut centers out of half the rounds with ½-inch cutter, forming rings. (Small bottle caps will serve nicely as cutters.) Scraps of dough may be placed one on top of the other and re-rolled. Beat egg yolk and water until blended. Brush over the rounds. Top rounds with rings; brush tops of rings with egg mixture. Place pastries on cookie sheets; bake 10 minutes. Cool on wire racks. **Filling:** Cook mushrooms and onion in butter or margarine over medium heat, stirring constantly until vegetables are soft and most of the moisture has evaporated. Combine flour, salt, pepper, and curry; sprinkle over vegetables in skillet; cook 1 minute. Add cream slowly; cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is thickened and bubbly; cool. Add parsley. Fill shells with mushroom mixture; top each with a tiny piece of pimiento or pimiento cut into star shape. Bake at 375° F. for 10 minutes. Serve hot. Shells may be baked and frozen; then thawed and filled the day of the party. Makes about 6 dozen.

BLUE CHEESE LOGS

¼ lb. blue cheese
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese
½ lb. sliced prosciutto or pastrami
¼ c. minced parsley
Paprika
Cocktail picks
Salad greens

Let cheeses stand at room temperature until softened; blend together. Spread mixture thinly on prosciutto or pastrami; roll up snugly; chill until firm. Cut logs into 2-inch lengths; dip one end in parsley, the other in paprika. Spear each log with a cocktail pick. Serve on crisp greens. Makes 4 dozen.

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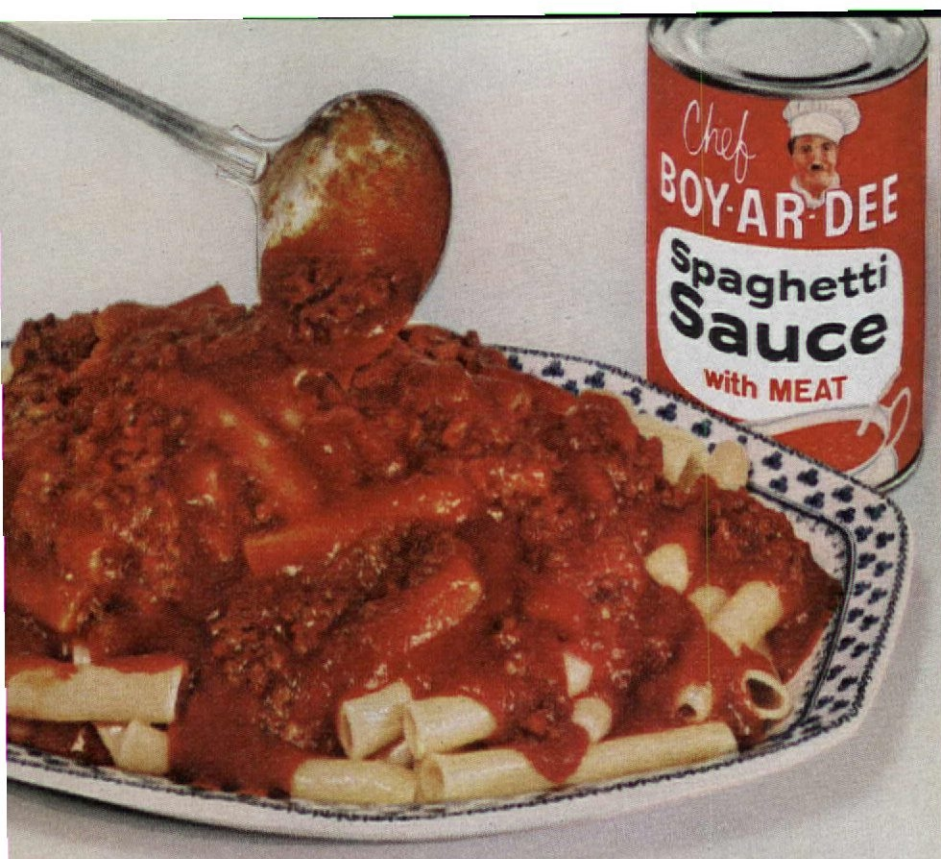

La Dolce Ziti.

The Sweet Ziti. Short, hollow Italian macaroni along with Chef Boy-Ar-Dee® Spaghetti Sauce with Meat. Delicious. It's thick with tender beef and good plump tomatoes. And blended with just the right spices. Then hand-stirred and slowly simmered until every drop is filled with subtle seasoning.

To make sweet ziti. Cook 1 lb. ziti according to package directions. Mix well with 2 tbsp. of butter and 3 tbsp. of grated parmesan cheese. Then pour on 1 can heated Chef Boy-Ar-Dee Spaghetti Sauce with Meat. Garnish with grated cheddar cheese. Makes a "dolce" dish for 4.

HIDDEN ASSETS FROM YOUR FREEZER

There's a wealth of timesaving ideas hidden in your freezer. They run the gamut from holiday timesavers to meal planning to budget savers. And since one idea inevitably leads to another, the list is constantly growing. Following are some of our favorite food and entertaining ideas using the freezer.

PARTY ICES

Save time and fuss at your next party by **freezing drink garnishes** (such as mint leaves, maraschino cherries, orange, lemon, or lime slices) in individual ice cubes.

Make a **fruited ice ring** for a festive punch. Arrange the fruits you plan to use in a decorative pattern around the bottom of a ring mold. Pour water in to just cover the fruit and freeze firm. Fill remainder of mold with water and return to freezer till solidly frozen. At party time, loosen the mold by running hot water along the outside and set the frozen ring in your punch bowl. When you add the punch, the ice ring will float on top as a festive garnish.

SHORT-ORDER FOODS

Thanks to your freezer, you can have a raft of short-order foods (foods that can be made and served quickly) at your fingertips for emergencies, easy-day meals, and drop-in guests. Exceptionally nice to stock are some of these foods:

- **Breads** freeze very well whether from the bakery or the product of your own baking spree. Keep coffee cakes and sweet rolls on hand too—they take only a few minutes in the oven to thaw and heat.
- **Shortcake** is a good instant dessert from the freezer as all its components freeze well—cake (or biscuits), frozen berries, and whipped-cream rosettes.
- Half the fun of baking cookies is nibbling a few while they're still warm from the oven. That's why we like to freeze the **cookie dough** rather than the baked cookie. Here's how:

For a refrigerator cookie, shape in a long roll and freeze. When ready to bake, thaw the roll just enough to slice through, then bake as directed.

For a rolled cookie, roll out the dough and cut in the shapes you want. Stack in layers with two pieces of freezer paper between each cookie; freeze. Bake them without thawing.

For a drop cookie, drop the dough ¼ inch apart on a cookie sheet, and freeze. Once the cookies are frozen solid, remove from cookie sheet and layer them in a freezer container with two layers of freezer paper between each. Bake without thawing.

- Start getting ready for a party ahead of time by making and freezing **assorted canapés.** For variety, use several different breads. Butter all generously to protect the bread from the moisture in the spread. Top with assorted cheeses and spreads, and wrap well for freezing.
- Though cooked potatoes don't freeze well, as a rule, here's one potato dish that comes out of the freezer with honors—**Stuffed Baked Potatoes.** Bake extra potatoes the next time you serve them for dinner. Cut off the tops from the extra potatoes and scoop out the hot potato. Mash with milk, butter, salt, and grated cheese; pile back into the potato skins, sprinkle with paprika; wrap well in foil and freeze. Open the foil a little before reheating.
- Keep **instant dinners** on hand by making double recipes of casseroles, spaghetti sauces, soups, and meat loaves. Freeze the extra ones.

FREEZER TREATS

Starting with the most famous freezer treat of all—ice cream—make these delicious freezer foods:

Ribbon Ice Cream Cake. Bake a sponge layer cake and split each layer in half. Sandwich together, spreading first layer with softened strawberry ice cream, second with softened chocolate ice cream, and third with softened pistachio ice cream. Top with remaining layer. Frost with sweetened whipped cream; freeze. Serve when frozen or wrap and keep for a special dessert.

Ice Cream Santas. Make your favorite rolled cookies and cut them into Santa face shapes. Top the face part of each with a scoop of ice cream and make eyes, nose, and mouth from candy pieces. Keep in the freezer for a special treat for the youngsters.

A HEAD START

To get a head start on busy days, reserve a section of your freezer for helps such as these:

- Chopped onion and chopped green pepper stored in plastic bags or transparent plastic wrap.
- Snipped parsley and chives
- Grated cheese
- Chopped nutmeats
- Soup stocks
- Butter pats or butter balls
- Bread crumbs, plain and buttered
- Garnishes—small cream-cheese balls rolled in chopped nuts, whipped-cream rosettes, croutons.

FREEZING TIPS

Don't overcook foods. Foods that will be reheated before serving are best only partially cooked so they'll be just right after reheating.

Cool foods as quickly as possible by plunging into ice water. Then package and freeze immediately.

Use as little fat as possible in gravies and sauces as it tends to separate when frozen—in small quantities it will recombine when reheated.

Use seasoning sparingly. Some seasonings change during freezing. The best method is to add seasoning to taste when reheating.

La Robusta Rotini.

The Hearty Rotini. Little spiral twists of macaroni with Chef Boy-Ar-Dee Marinara Spaghetti Sauce and shrimp on top. This is Italian "mariner's sauce" with luscious pieces of tomato in a savory seasoning that makes it the perfect partner for seafood. And Chef Boy-Ar-Dee's special blend of spices, onions and plum tomatoes gives our Marinara a little extra zip.

To make hearty rotini. Cook 1 lb. rotini according to package directions. Sauté 3 tbsp. each of chopped onion and green pepper. Add 1 can of ready-to-eat Chef Boy-Ar-Dee Marinara Spaghetti Sauce. Cook gently 5 minutes. Add 2 cups cooked or canned deveined shrimp, and continue heating 2 minutes. Pour over 4 servings of macaroni, and see how "robusta" rotini can be.

La Buona Linguine.

The Good Linguine. Flat, twirlable spaghetti and veal parmigiana topped with rich Chef Boy-Ar-Dee Spaghetti Sauce with Mushrooms. Juicy bits of mushroom, simmered with plump, sweet tomatoes give this sauce its good and hearty zest.

To make good linguine. Cook 1 lb. linguine as package directs. Cut 1½ lbs. veal cutlet in serving pieces. Pound thin and season with salt and pepper. Dip in beaten egg, then in mixture of bread crumbs and parmesan cheese. Brown meat in oil. Put into a baking pan and pour on 1 can of Chef Boy-Ar-Dee Spaghetti Sauce with Mushrooms. Bake 20 min. at 375° F. Add strips mozzarella cheese. Bake to melt cheese. Serve on bed of "buona" linguine.

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PETS ARE GIFTS TO LOVE

By Patricia O'Keefe

Will a child remember the Christmas Santa brought a super secret agent, combination death ray and underwater pen? Or a doll that walked, talked, and could do new math? Probably not.

But the Christmas morning that a rollicking, tail-wagging pup or a soft little kitten arrived—that's the stuff very special Christmas memories are made of!

For a child, a pet is a gift that brings love and companionship and new adventures. It's a gift that keeps on giving for years if—and this is an important if—it is chosen with care. It should be a good match for the child's age, interests, and personality. And, it should also be chosen with the likes, interests, and activities of the whole family in mind.

A small puppy or kitten will please almost any one. While it's little and playful and cuddly, a child will love it. But a puppy that grows into a big, active dog may be more pet than a quiet, sensitive child can cope with. Such a child would probably get more enjoyment from one of the toy breeds or from the quiet, purring companionship of a cat. On the other hand, a boy or girl who is gregarious and always on the go can have years of fun with a dog the size of a small horse, that likes to romp and be one of the gang.

Parents usually ask, "Which breed of dog is the best with children?" What they want to know is which dog can be depended on not to nip if the kids pull its tail. There is no answer to this question. Any one of the more than a hundred breeds of dogs can be the right pet for the right child, if it is a temperamentally sound and healthy puppy to begin with, and if it is given good care, plenty of affection, and kind, intelligent training while it is young.

All the recognized breeds fall into one of six groups, and the dogs in these groups do share certain general personality traits. The first group includes the sporting dogs—pointers, setters, spaniels, and retrievers. Their heritage makes them gentle, obedient, and quietly affectionate dogs. They like the outdoors, but they make good house pets too.

The second group is the hounds. Bassets, beagles, and dachshunds are popular representatives of this type. Hounds are usually even tempered, easy to live with, and very loving.

German shepherds, boxers, Great Danes, collies are examples of the working-dog group. They make good watchdogs and often develop a strong protective attachment for their owners. They are usually easy to train.

In the terrier group you will find Schnauzers, Scotties, cairns, and Airedales, dogs that are naturally lively, aggressive, and very independent. Terriers make fine watchdogs. Ranging in size from small to medium, terriers are just the right size for a child who would enjoy taking his dog to obedience school.

The toy breeds are miniature versions of larger dogs. Most of them have a big dog's heart in a small body. Because of their tiny size, toy breeds are usually not recommended for very small children—they can be hurt by careless handling. But for older children, a toy poodle, a spunky Pekingese, or a pert Maltese might be a perfect pet.

The sixth and last is the nonsporting group. These are dogs which were once raised for hunting or work. but retain their popularity today by virtue of their distinctive good looks and appealing personalities. The poodle, the English bulldog, the flashy Dalmation, and the perky Boston terrier are popular breeds in this group.

Cats, being individualists regardless of breed, defy categorizing. Generally a cat responds to quiet, gentle affection and makes an excellent pet for any child who appreciates its individuality and shows respect for its natural independence.

Besides the personalities of different animals, there are several other important factors to be considered when buying a pet.

For instance, how much room do you have for a pet? A big dog needs room to wag his tail without knocking lamps off tables and a chance to exercise his big muscles and long legs outdoors. Many communities have laws which require dog owners to keep their pets on leashes or in their own yards. Check local regulations before you buy. Also if your home is small and your yard unfenced, you will be happiest with a small or medium-size house dog or with a cat.

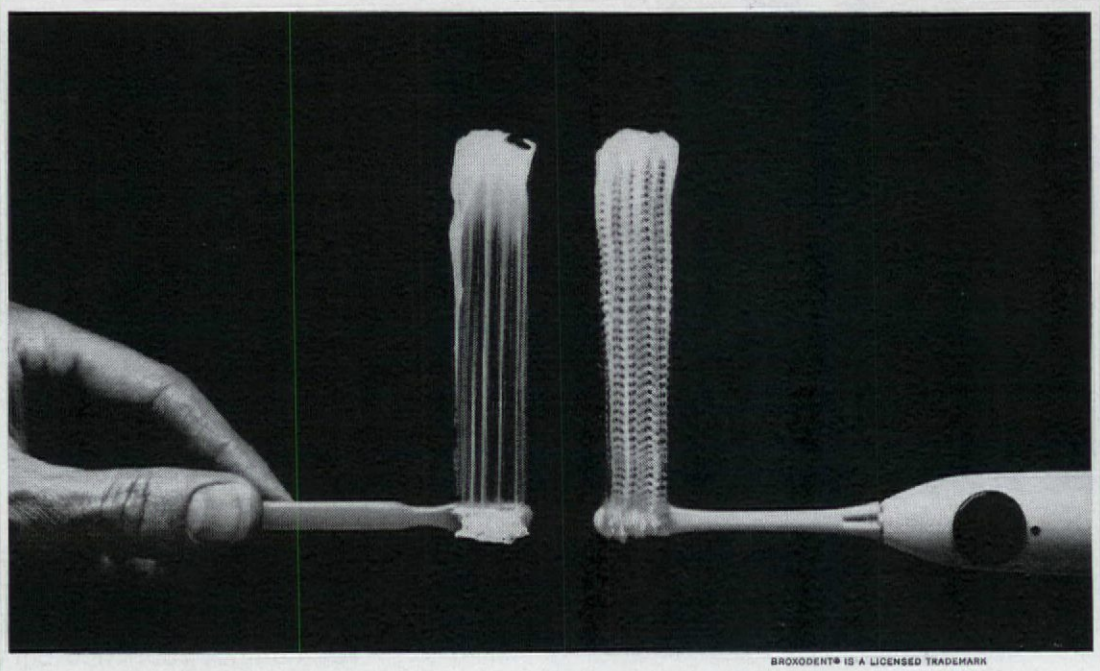
Then there is the question of who is going to take care of the pet. The answer is usually spelled m-o-m, so figure out how much time mom has to spend keeping the dog fed and clean before you make a choice. A long-haired dog or cat needs to be brushed almost every day to keep its coat clean and in good condition. One of the short-haired breeds can get along nicely with a good once-a-week brushing. Remember, too, that some dogs require professional grooming. It is an extra expense you should be aware of before you buy your dog.

Walking a dog is another duty that adults in the family usually have to assume. Many people enjoy spending an hour or two in the park exercising a large dog. But if you're not the outdoor type or haven't time for long walks, a small, short-legged dog that gets his daily quota of exercise from a quick trot around the block will be more to your liking.

How much can you pay for a pet? This is a question that should be answered in terms of relative value. A mixed-breed dog or cat can be bought for a few dollars. Many of them make wonderful pets, but unless you are familiar with their ancestry, you may not know whether you've bought a big dog or a little dog, a nervous sickly kitten or a placid one. You take a chance. When you buy a purebred dog or cat from a reputable breeder, you know what your pet will be like when it is grown. You also know that the price you pay usually includes worm treatments and inoculations for distemper.

Prices of purebred pups and kittens range from about $35 to several hundred, depending on the popularity or rarity of the breed you choose. Shop for good health and sound temperament, not just price, when you look at the purebreds.

The thought and time that you spend on finding the right pet for your child is just as important as the money. A pet that he loves and that loves him is worth a million in happy times.



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Children and Their Money

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down of what comes in and what goes out is not too much to ask of your child. On one page of a little notebook he can list the amount of money he started with that week—broken down into allowance, gifts, or any earnings he may have gained through little odd jobs. On the opposite page, what he spent and for what. At the end of the week he can see how he balanced or where he slipped up. Patience, of course, is your cue here. Go easy on the mistakes. Learning to keep records is no snap course.

As a youngster's needs and wants increase, so should his allowance. The object of an allowance in the first place is to teach proper distribution of income. This involves some choice, some personal decisions, or the true aim of management is defeated. The actual amount you give your child will, of course, be governed by your own income, plus your knowledge of his particular temperament. Let's say you've agreed on $1 a week for a 10- to 12-year-old. Don't stop the discussion there. It's important to talk over with your child what the allowance is to cover. Name his specific responsibilities, settle definitely the amount of his regular savings. Then let him learn a valuable lesson on his own—how to get the most of what he wants with the remainder. Use a gentle hand on the reins—until you have to crack down. He will learn in time that some purchases give more lasting satisfaction than others. And he'll remember his mistakes more readily than your advice.

If $1 a week is the set sum for your preteen, the following may serve as a pattern for spending and saving: 25c for club dues; 10c for savings; 10c for church; 25c for school supplies; 30c for fun. Try to put over the idea early that all the fun money needn't go within that week. Part can be carried over to the following week for some special purchases.

A young teen wondering how to budget might use these three questions as a framework: 1) What are the "musts" to come out of the allowance? 2) What are the important long-range wants? 3) What items have priority under "incidental spending"? The process of selection and elimination becomes more thoughtful with the years—provided you don't break the rules and hand out extra "emergency" money.

CHECKING ACCOUNTS AND CHARGE ACCOUNTS

A checking account and/or a personal charge account usually come up for family discussion about age 18, or college time. Are they advisable? Well, the fact that more retail stores are granting such charge accounts indicates that this age group accepts responsibility—and understands the abuses as well as the advantages of credit. Parents who turn thumbs down on the idea say that charging is the same as spending before saving. Therefore ill-advised. But this is too easy an out. If a charge limit is set to the mutual satisfaction of parents and store, it would seem that the teenager could give it a try. The penalty for mishandling it is easy and obvious—a quick cut-off.

A personal checking account is also a good idea. Familiarity with making out checks properly and keeping accurate check stubs is part of a young person's education. Also, a checking account is a logical place to keep those extra earnings that don't go into permanent savings.

Time and time again teen-agers prove that they're more careful with their own money than they are with their parents'.

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1966 Gadget Quiz (continued from page 90)

Here are the answers to our gadget quiz on page 90. How was your gadgetrometry score? If you got seven or eight right—"Congratulations, chef, you win a gold star." Four to six right—"Call yourself assistant chef. You're getting there but haven't made it yet." Less than four, "Repeat the course, you've a lot to learn." 1-A. *Potato baker* (for speedy baked potatoes)—use the four prongs to spear the potatoes, set in the oven and count about half your usual baking time. 2-H. Called a *slice-a-slice*, this handy item will make two thin slices of one regular slice of bread. Great for tea sandwiches, homemade melba toast, and for calorie counters too! 3-C. Called a *kitchen boy*, this could be the answer to your cutting and mincing jobs. It really takes the work out of chopping and mincing foods such as onions and celery. 4-B. Break an egg into each crockery container of this *English egg coddler* and put the whole contraption in simmering water. When eggs are done, lift out and serve each egg in its crockery container. 5-F. *Glazing feather* gives you just the right, light touch for brushing egg-white glaze over pastries, breads, etc. 6-G. This little gadget, called a *tige à facir*, makes curlicues of potatoes or carrots for unusual fried vegetables or clever twists for a fresh vegetable relish. 7-D. *Nutmeg grater* makes grating your own nutmeg a cinch. Especially nice to have on hand now, during the eggnog season. 8-E. *Hot dog cooker* is a great gadget for the fireplace or barbecue grill. Takes three hot dogs at once. Prong holds dogs so they can be turned.

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Hollies are among our most handsome evergreen shrubs. Some American and English varieties will eventually become glorious 40- to 50-foot-tall trees. Lower-growing types make beautiful hedges, foundation plants, accents by a door or gate. The tall hollies make stately specimens in a generous sweep of lawn. Since there are male and female plants, you will have to plant at least one male in order to have a berry crop.

WHERE DO THEY GROW?

American holly (Ilex opaca) is the only native broad-leaved evergreen that can be grown in the colder parts of the country. English hollies are among the least hardy and are most at home in the middle South and parts of the Pacific Northwest and Southwest. American holly ranges in a narrow strip up the East coast to Portland, Maine, and inland across southern Pennsylvania, Illinois, Missouri, up through Washington and Oregon and south through Florida.

The hardiest of the natives is winterberry or black alder (Ilex verticillata). It can be grown from North Dakota down through the deep South. It is not evergreen. Yaupon holly (Ilex vomitoria) is a native Southerner that ranges from Virginia to northern Florida. Its leaves are rich in caffeine and were used by Indians for making tea.

Japanese holly (Ilex crenata) has roughly the same northern limit as Ilex opaca, although some varieties may be hardier farther north. It can be grown on the West coast. Chinese holly (Ilex cornuta) is a mild-climate genus with the middle South its northern limit.

AMERICAN HOLLIES

Ilex opaca is a large evergreen shrub or tree with two- to four-inch-long leaves. Some varieties have characteristically spiny foliage, on others it is smooth. The color varies from dull to glossy green. Most types bear red berries, but there are orange- and yellow-fruited varieties. Ilex opaca does best with rich, moist, fertile, well-drained soil. The variety 'Arden' is a tree to 50 feet in height, with red berries. 'Spreader' is a prostrate form.

Winterberry (I. verticillata) is a large, spreading deciduous shrub that may exceed 20 feet in height, but usually grows to around ten feet. The berries are red, but there is a yellow-fruited variety, chrysocarpa. The leaves are oval, with notched margins and fuzzy undersides. Native to swamps and low woodland areas, it will do well in average garden soil with adequate moisture and fertilizer.

Winterberry may outgrow its attractiveness in the foundation, but is fine in a mixed shrub border along the edge of your property, in a screen planting along the driveway, or wherever space calls for a good-size shrub. Do not use it as a focal point or where autumn color might be important. The leaves turn black or brown after frost, hence the name black alder. Polycarpa bears extra large berries.

Yaupon holly is also red-berried, but unlike winterberry it keeps its leaves all winter. They are small, oval-shaped, and have scalloped rather than spiny margins. The fruit is borne in showy clusters so the plant is striking in winter. Yaupon may grow into a small tree around 25 feet tall. It should be grown in the South only. If you need a hedge or screen, Yaupon holly is an excellent choice.

ENGLISH HOLLY

Ilex aquifolium is the holly traditionally associated with Christmas and festive decorations. There are innumerable named varieties, one of the hardiest being 'Coleman.' Argentea marginata is a striking, silver-variegated form. There is great variation among the English hollies, and you will find almost all habits of growth among them. Leaves vary from prickly to smooth.

If you live in an area where English holly will grow, protect it from winter winds, and from the eastern winter sun. Plant on the north side of a building, with partial evergreen shade.

CHINESE HOLLY

Ilex cornuta is shrubby and lends itself to massing. It grows to nine or ten feet tall, has glossy, yellow-green leaves usually with a single spine at the tip of the leaf, and large red berries. It may be hardy as far north as Boston, with winter protection. It does not transplant easily, so give it the best of care: rich, well-drained soil, plenty of water and fertilizer. The variety rotunda is a dwarf form, grows to about three feet. It has no fruit. 'National' is a tree which grows to 30 feet, with orange-red berries, ¾-inch dark green leaves.

'Burford' is one of the most popular named varieties of Ilex cornuta, bearing its scarlet fruit abundantly on young plants. It has larger leaves than 'National' and has a more open, somewhat pendulous growth habit.

JAPANESE HOLLY

Ilex crenata varieties are grown primarily for their good-looking foliage. The berries are black and inconspicuous on the plants. Japanese hollies make excellent low to medium-size hedges. Compacta grows to around five feet in height with dense, dark green box-like foliage. Microphylla, which will grow to ten feet, is probably the hardiest of Japanese varieties.

PLANTING HOLLY

Most hollies prefer a neutral to slightly acid soil. It must be well-drained, light, and loamy. If your soil is heavy, lighten it by working in decomposed pine needles, well-rotted cow manure, sand, or leaf mold.

Plant hollies as carefully as you would any other choice, broad-leaved evergreen. Dig a hole twice as wide and twice as deep as the root ball. Remove poor soil at the bottom of the hole and replace with good topsoil. After planting, fill the hole with topsoil, tamping down firmly as you go. The top of the root ball should be just below the level of the ground. Keep watering the plant until it is well established. Shape the ground into a catch basin sloping down toward the trunk, to facilitate watering.

Hollies are heavy feeders, and your plants will respond dramatically with handsome, more lustrous foliage and a bigger crop of decorative berries if you fertilize them in mid to late March.

NEWS & NOTES

'Tis the season to be jolly, and as we read and reread the customs of the world over—the customs of foods and holiday merriment—we are rekindled with the true spirit of the season. One of our favorite poets, John Greenleaf Whittier, says it so much better: *For somehow not only at Christmas, but all the long year through, the joy you give to others is the joy that comes back to you.* Such joy has been spread and shared from kitchens and homes the world over for hundreds of years. **In Denmark,** for example, the Danish children will ascend the stairs on Christmas Eve to place a bowl of porridge and a pitcher of milk at the attic entrance for "Jul-Nisse." Next morning they will rush to see if it has been eaten. It always has! Jul-Nisse is a member of the household and is seen by no one except the family cat.

Sometimes responsible for many odd happenings in the house, Jul-Nisse's main duty is to the animals of the farm . . . to see that they are watered, tended, bedded.

In England the Christmas festivities are ushered in with the lighting of the Yule log, kindled with a branch from the log of the previous year; and wassail is made. The bowl is filled with hot ale, sugar, and spices, topped with floating apples. The spirit of giving is shown in the distribution to the poor of Christmas puddings—spicy concoctions, black with fruits and mixed by the youngsters of the family with great merriment—before being tied in cloths and boiled in the "copper."

In the province of Quebec, ancient French customs prevail. Christmas Day commences with a Midnight Mass of great splendor; this is followed by *réveillon,* an after-church supper in the home. The table is brightly set and carries a full array of native dishes . . . hams, turkeys, nuts, sweets, and fruits . . . wines and liqueurs. The exchange of gifts takes place on New Year's Day, when parties are at their peak. The holiday season is brought to a close with the Feast of the Kings on Epiphany. This is celebrated with the traditional cake, Le Gâteau des Rois. This cake has a pea and bean in it and the king and

queen of Twelfth Night are elected by those receiving them.

The German contributions to this joyous season are many, but perhaps the greatest one of all to the Western world is *Tannenbaum* (the Christmas tree) decorated and festooned in strict secrecy by mother and which, when lighted and appropriately revealed on Christmas Eve, is a source of enchantment and excitement. Beneath its branches are nuts, cookies, gifts.

The Netherlands is dedicated to the spirit of the Eve of Saint Nicholas (*Sint Nicklass Avond*). Nicholas is the patron saint of children and when the carillons, beloved by all in Holland, peal forth from the towers, the fireplaces and windowsills of the homes are decorated with children's wooden shoes. Stuffed with hay and carrots and with a dish of water placed alongside them, the shoes provide refreshment for the good Saint's white horse, on which he will ride through the streets with his little Moorish servant, Black Piet. Later, the hay will be replaced by candies and small gifts to show that the Saint's horse stopped at the children's door.

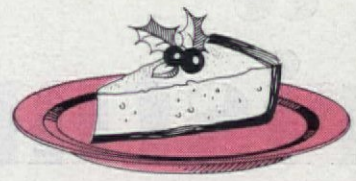
In Norway the festive holidays begin in the home many weeks before. All household work is finished, crafts made, and the preparation completed of the various foods to be stored and

preserved against the long winter. Cheeses and sausages are made, meats dried and salted. Breads (brods), pancakes (lefse), waffles and animal-shaped cookies are baked; and the children make candles for the tree.

NEWS!

We are intrigued with **Food Wonders of the World,** a fun-filled booklet being offered by the Kellogg Company for 35¢ and a box top to benefit the United Nations Children's Fund.

We've some tasty food news too! Now in the markets **to tempt your palate:** Frozen Fresh Calavo Avocado Dip (guacamole). We think this is fine, especially the breakthrough in the commercial freezing of avocados. Use it as a dip, sauce, topping, or garnish. It is sold in the frozen-food section and comes in 7¾-ounce or 16-ounce cans. News from General Foods—Jello Cheesecake Mix—a no-bake cheesecake with a light and creamy texture.



We have just returned from Minneapolis, Minnesota, where we visited the brand-new Betty Crocker Kitchens. There are seven of them designed after regions of the world and they have such intriguing names, descriptive of the regions. Each kitchen is responsible for certain of the fine Betty Crocker products which you ultimately find in your supermarkets. The staff is bedecked in special frocks designed by Pauline Trigère. We sampled **some of the newest products** and firmly approve: Oatmeal Muffin Mix, Banana Nut Muffin Mix, and a fabulous new Banana Layer Cake Mix and Banana Frosting Mix.

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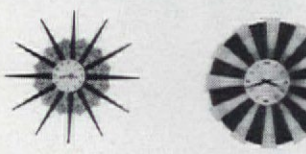

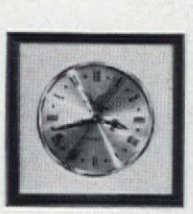

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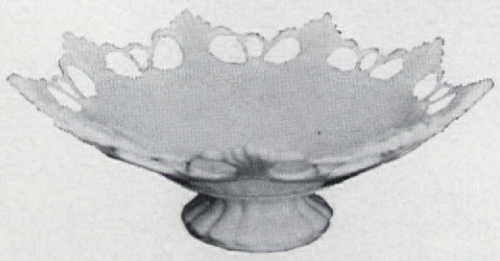

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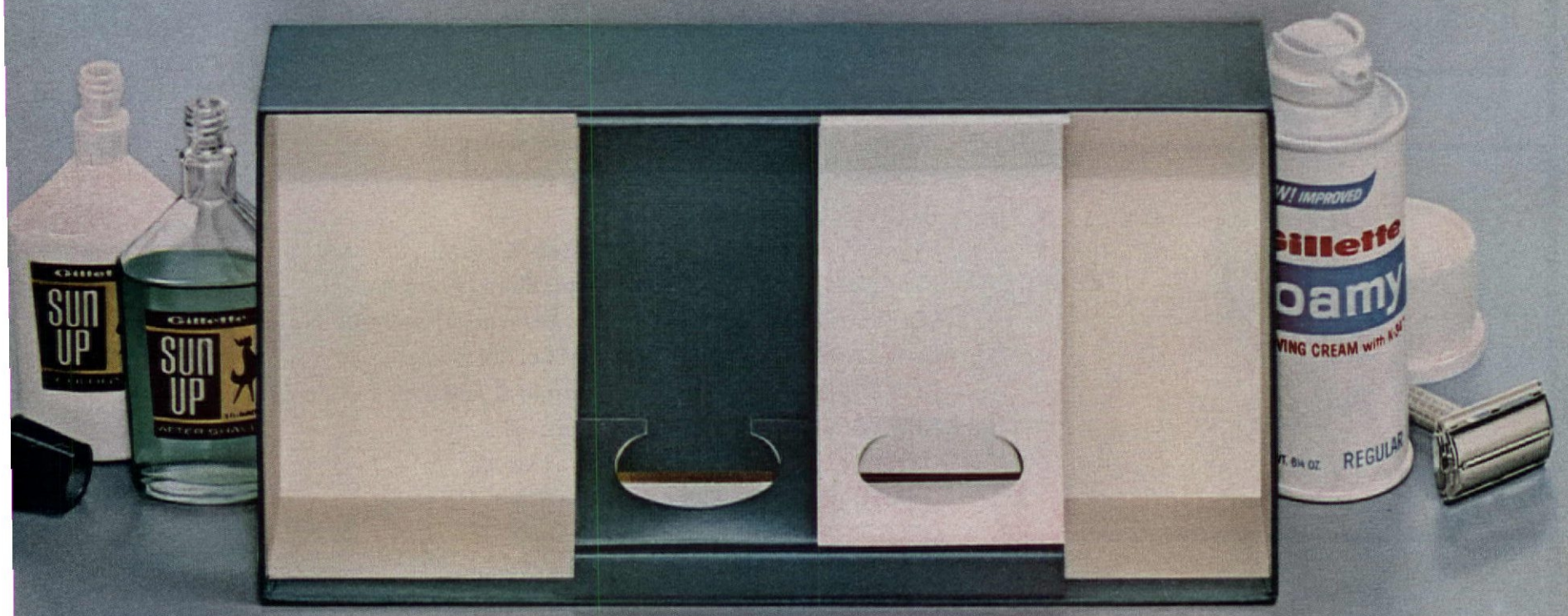

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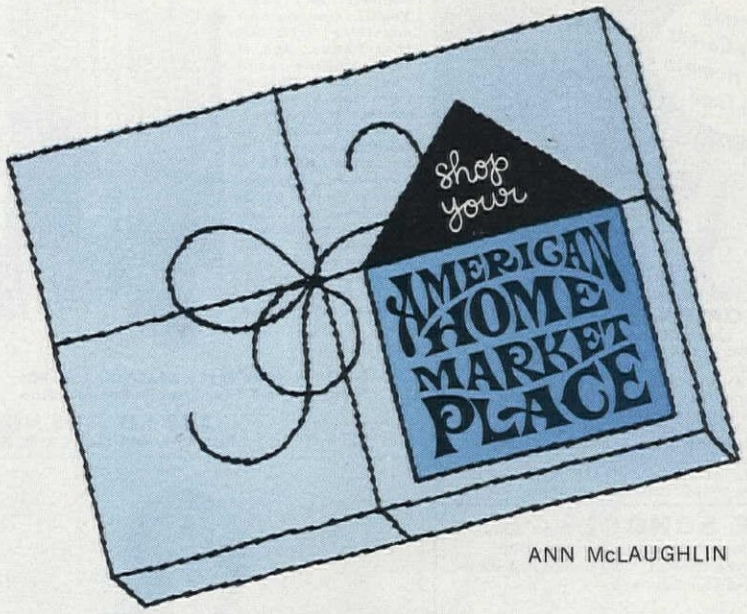

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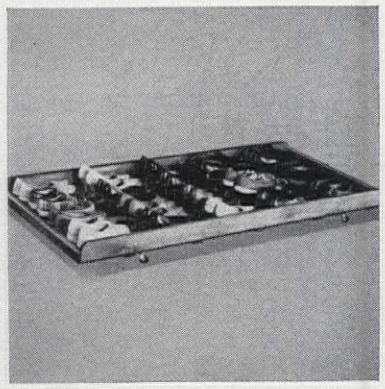

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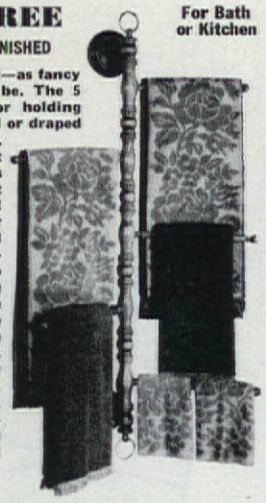

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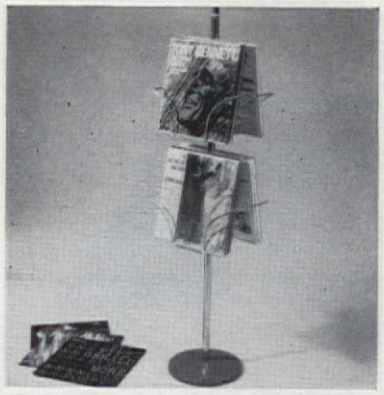

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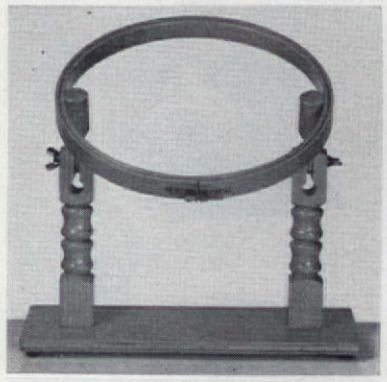

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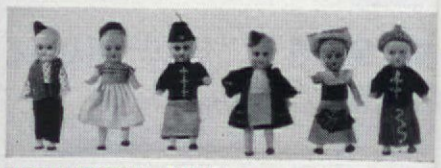

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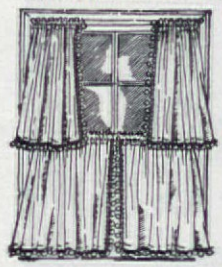

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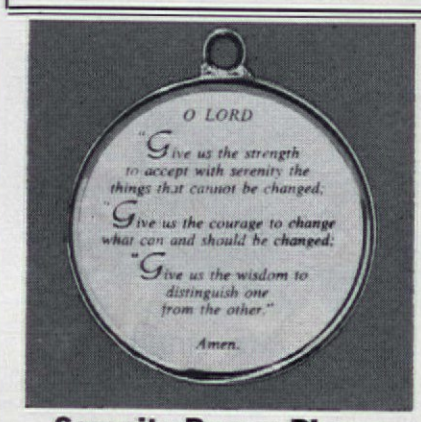

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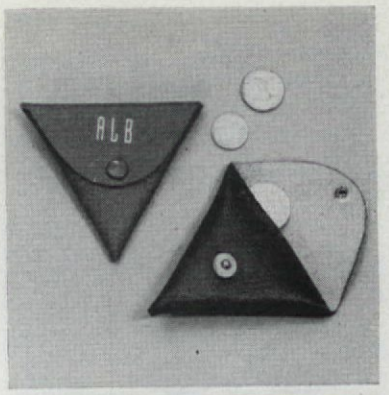

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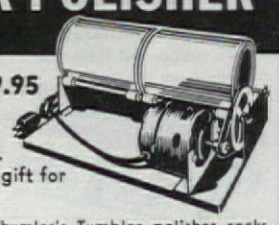

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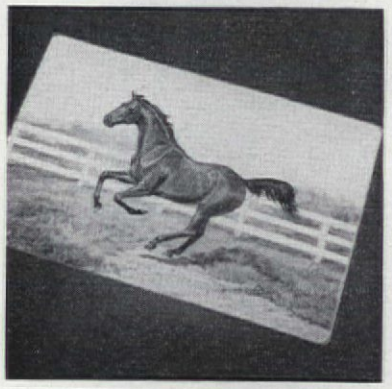

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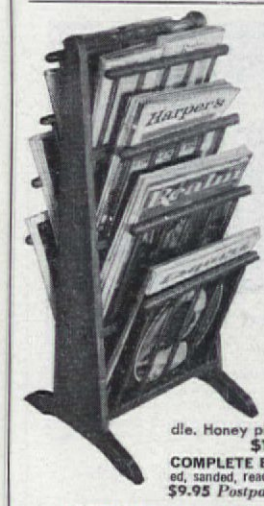

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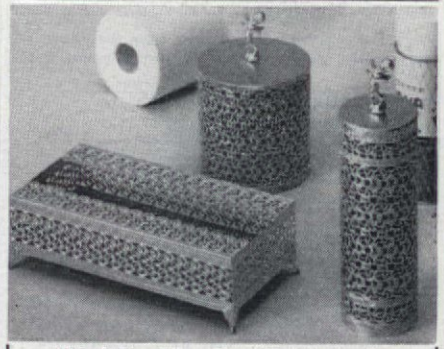

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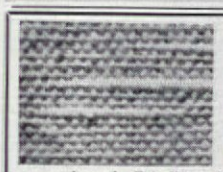

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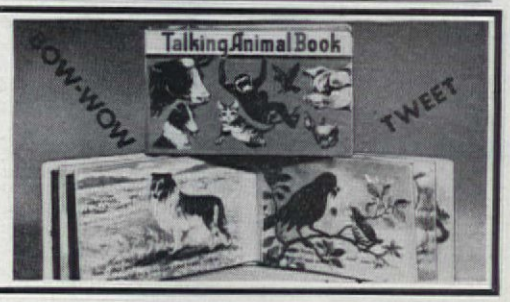

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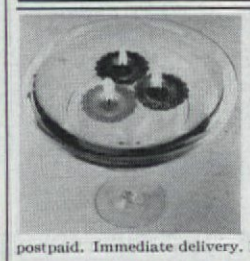

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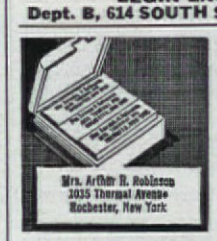

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