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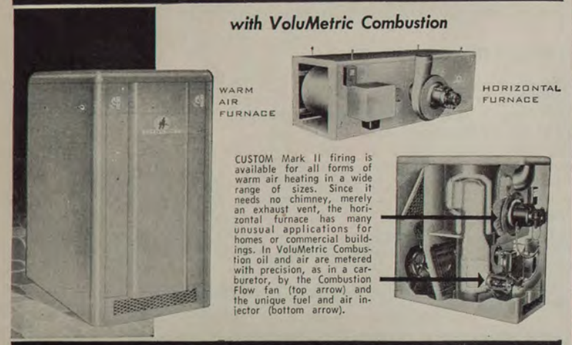
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By GERALD ANGLIN, Editor

You never know what's going to sail up the Seaway, so the Editor wasn't too surprised when a globe-girdling trader with a piratical air hove to beside the desk and spread out fabulous treasure (above). He had baskets of every shape and size from the far corners of the world, Hong Kong to Madeira. Trailing the fellow back to the Toronto docks by the brown smudge from his pipe, Peters Keay



and Varley photographed his full, fascinating cargo — see page 35.

Then the salt in the striped sweater returned to the office, doffed his seagoing cap and again turned his piratical glare onto its accustomed enemy—typographical errors, disjointed facts, and convuluted sentences. For Ted Finlay (above) is in fact Canadian Homes' copy editor, the man who defends with his very life and a cutlass-sharp pencil the right of 840,000 readers to consume only clear, concise and accurate prose. If it's wrong, if it's muddled, Finlay is the unanimous choice of the rest of the staff as the man to lash to the mast — but he can take it. Born in Belfast to start with, he spent four years in the Canadian Army — one in training, one fighting his way to Germany, and two in hospital recovering from wounds received *in* Germany.

Before joining Canadian Homes he worked on two other publications, one a food magazine. So blame Ted, too, when we drop the eggs from a Benoit recipe. Even a pirate shouldn't do a callous thing like that.

Long-distance calls

Basket merchants drop in only rarely but every day the postman brings mail from far and near. Petty Officer William S. Baker, aboard HMCS Churchill, permanently moored at Fort Churchill, Man., writes a shocking naval confession: "Here am I a Navy Petty Officer asking you for two navy type hammocks as per your June issue." Canadian Homes was assured before publishing the paint-your-own hammock feature that the unpainted canvas kind were available in surplus stores everywhere. I was sorry that many readers across Canada had to write us for the name of a Toronto shop which does have them — but imagine the Canadian Navy being fresh out!

From Kasempa post office, Northern Rhodesia, comes an even more amazing confession, "I would like to let you know how much we enjoy your magazine," writes G. V. Press. "So much so that we have decided to come and live in your country." The thought of Canadian Homes influencing a family to uproot and move thousands of miles to a new life here, is positively unnerving. Or it was until another letter arrived, from Sweden. Frankly, editing a magazine like Canadian Homes is challenging, stimulating and a lot of fun, but I never once thought of it as having the slightest influence on world affairs. After you've read the letter from Sweden which appears in a special box on page six, you'll appreciate why this reader's letter created a momentary silence in the editorial offices of Canadian Homes.

Classic Canadiana

We've all been so busy producing features on Early Canadian furniture, houses, carving, stone crocks and so on that no one's had time to name the series. Here you see Art Director Ron King stepping into the past at



Dalziel Village, near Toronto, to help a pretty pioneer wench shake out a gorgeous red coverlet for the latest in our newly christened series, Classic Canadiana, on page 20. With this issue Ron King also steps out of Canadian Homes, I'm sorry to report, to return to England and devote his full time to painting. Our loss is Canada's too, and we hope one day he'll return.

HOME SWEET HOME



by Margaret E. Godfrey

I live happily with my husband and three children in a stimulating, pleasant and exciting world — in the suburbs! I haven't been to a coffee party in four years. I'm not sure of neighbours' names, occupations or incomes. In fact, our lives have changed little from the offbeat sort we lived in downtown Toronto or on a farm, except in standards of schooling and convenience.

"You . . . living in the *suburbs?*" jeered my friends when they heard we were leaving our downtown Toronto house four years ago. "You'll go mad — you'll be stifled — you'll have neighbors crawling all over you — no culture — conformity — traffic jams — boredom . . .!"

Our move to the Toronto suburb of Don Mills was at a time when our assets were low and the down payments on suitable city houses were high. We intended to return to the city as soon as possible. Now we can afford the larger down payment for a big old house in Rosedale (an old and once dignified residential area in central Toronto — now favored by those who have been loudest in denunciation of suburban living), but we're still in the suburbs and making plans to remain.

We have a new house on a large lot. It costs, including taxes, less than $120 a month. We are surrounded by fresh air and light. Our older son goes to the local collegiate where there is time for teaching because there are few discipline problems; where "going steady" is not good form; where one boy felt so out of place wearing blue jeans he brought a note of apology to his teachers. Our two younger children attend the public school. Among their friends and schoolmates are children from Italy, China, India, Finland, Germany, Denmark, Israel, Britain and Japan. Many creeds and all races are represented. The children come from apartments costing $90 a month, semi-detached houses, medium-priced houses, and some from houses costing $40,000. Music, art, drama, ballet, French, swimming and judo to name a few can all be studied in after-school and Saturday classes, under competent teachers, and all within a few minutes' walk from home.

There is a lot of nonsense written about conformity in the suburbs. If you are a conformist, living in the city won't change it. As a family of individuals we have found much more freedom here than we ever had in the city. Now, when we're pressing grapes in the wine-making season, our neighbors gather round to help; in the city, they complained of the mess. Our sons never dared to wear the kilt to school in the city; in the suburbs they wear it with impunity.

Much has been said about the physical condition of children in the suburbs. Generally, the children we have met in the suburbs have been more active, brighter, healthier, and better disciplined than those we knew in the city. Because the boys and girls are encouraged to ride on the sidewalks, which is illegal in the city, even first graders can safely cycle to school.

Careful weighing of pros and cons of city versus suburban living leaves us in no doubt — the suburbs have won, and with cries of "foul" from our house-poor city friends ringing in our ears, we are off on a holiday trip to Europe.

(Mrs. Godfrey, once a nurse, is now a doctor's wife, writer, mother of three.)



"Now we're pressing grapes for wine."

WATCHING



by Fred Bodsworth

This is the season when I am fervently thankful to be living in north-eastern North America, for nowhere else in the world does autumn produce such a radiant and soul-firing blaze of color. Perhaps if you live in this region, too, you regard vivid fall colors as a normal feature of autumn the world over. They aren't; northeastern North America is in a peculiarly favored position.

Where winter frosts persist for several months, broad-leafed trees must shed their leaves to conserve moisture. Coniferous or evergreen trees are protected against excessive moisture loss because their needle-like leaves provide little surface through which evaporation can occur.

When cool autumn weather sets in, chlorophyll, trapped in the tree's leaves, breaks down through a bleaching process into colorless compounds; then yellow pigments, which have been present all along but masked by the stronger greens of the chlorophyll, begin to appear. But the pigments which produce reds and purples are an addition, a new autumn product manufactured through the action of sunlight on sap trapped within the leaf. These red and purple pigments are called anthocyanins.

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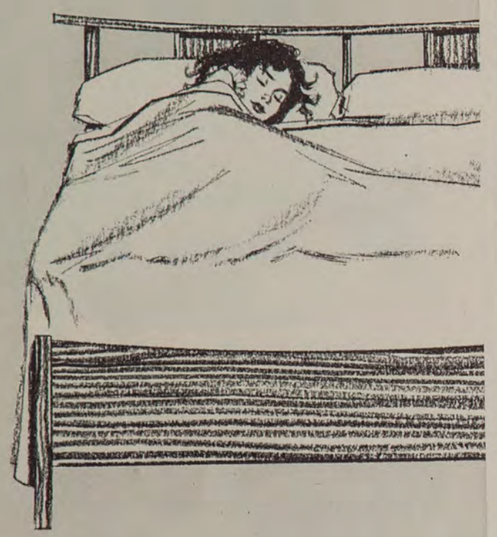
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Poor soil aids color production, because on rich soils leaves can remain green and healthy late into the season when frost will kill them quickly before their colors have emerged. And the presence of sugar in the sap seems to encourage the development of red anthocyanins, which explains why the hard or sugar maple is always the brightest showpiece of the autumn color parade.

Now, let's relate these color-inducing factors to geography and determine why northeastern North America boasts the finest show of autumn color in the world. Remember, the first requirement is a heavy growth of leaf-shedding hardwoods. So we can eliminate the whole southern hemisphere, the tropics, then the suptropics such as the southern United States and the Mediterranean region, which have such mild winters that trees remain green all year. Now move north and eliminate all northern forested regions of Canada, Scandinavia and Russia, because the climate in these regions is too cold for most hardwoods, and they produce the evergreen conifers instead.

We are left with the Canadian and U. S. west coasts, central Asia, Europe, and northeastern North America. The west coast is too warm, wet and cloudy. Most of central Asia is too



"Leaves . . . become a brilliant red."

dry for forests and produces deserts or prairies instead. Europe has warm, cloudy, rainy autumns, usually lacking the coolness and sunlight essential for the production of red anthocyanins. Only eastern North America, from the Carolinas northward to the north shore of Lake Superior, has all the fall color ingredients — cool, dry, sunny autumns; sugar-rich hardwoods like the maple; and dry, rocky, acid soils like that of New England and Ontario's Haliburton and Muskoka.

It is healthy from time to time to pause amid life's exigencies and humbly count one's blessings. If you live in the hardwood regions of Eastern Canada, count the splendors of the anthocyanins among yours. Travel the world over, and you will not find their equal.

(Fred Bodsworth has written two novels, both with wildlife settings).



TIME WAS

by Jeanne Minhinnick

Words that clearly indicate my age survive in my speech. Some of these are buried deep, almost forgotten, and only emerge in moments of excitement and vacuity. Then out comes "Isn't that the limit!" and "It beats the Dutch!" and "It's got me buffaloed."

I *think* "window seat, umbrella stand, vestibule, china closet, trunk room," until I remember that they are no longer there. I still use an "afghan" or a "throw" to snuggle in for a nap. I look for my Super Constellation luggage thinking "Where's my club bag?"

My slip is my "petticoat" and once in a while a dressing gown becomes a "kimona," a designation almost universally used in my youth. A silk scarf for the head was termed by my grandmother a "cloud." I rarely say it but sometimes think it. As for those basic necessities which one could define, perhaps, as "underpants": I have lived through drawers, bloomers, briefs, scanties and other such euphemisms, until now I can feel fairly safe in asking a salesgirl for "panties," for Heaven's sake.

Because I live in the country, I still have a "woodshed," a "rain-barrel," and a "cellar-door." The garage is still a "drive-shed" not only to me, but to my neighbors.

My commands to children sometimes puzzle them: "Bring me a porridge bowl!" — "Do you mean a cereal dish?" . . . "I left my watch on the bureau, will you get it for me?" — "On the *what?*"

I don't have and still miss, the "sewing-room," an essential space in most houses during my childhood. I am glad to see that mail-order catalogues still refer to eiderdowns as "comforters" because that is what they are to me. I keep and use those extremely useful articles from my childhood home, the "traycloths." They were and are, useful at each end of the table, over the tablecloth, to catch the drips



"I luxuriate in all my memories . . ."

from tea pouring and the gravy from carving. If I went to buy a traycloth, could I find one?

The first cold wet days of autumn sent us scurrying to Mother, calling, "Where are my rubbers?" "Where would they be? She would reply, "In the cubby hole." I have just asked my granddaughter, "What's a cubby hole?" Her answer was "A place under the stairs where we keep the rubbers." But, she lives in an old house. Do they still exist under that name or are they "storage space?"

Surely no functionally planned storage space for canned goods can give a modern child the exquisite memories evoked for me by the word "pantry."

I luxuriate in my memories . . . then say "How about lunch? I'll just see what's in the ice-box."

"Oh, Mother," says my daughter, "they've been 'refrigerators' for some years now." "You mean," I say, "since Caesar was a pup."

(Jeanne Minhinnick is the expert on antiques at Upper Canada Village.)



LOIS WILSON HERE

This business of luring wild birds to feed in your garden is getting to be a fascinating game with more and more people playing it, and the prizes, namely the birds, getting more and more choosy about where they will light and what they will eat when they get there. Where once, when the snow got deep, people put out a few crumbs for their starving feathered friends, they now invest in the latest feeder and load it up with goodies in September in the hope of attracting an interesting batch of birds early in the season. Many keep it loaded into early summer, and some avid birders even have birds which would normally migrate farther south for the winter, or farther north for the summer, staying to sample their excellent cuisine all year.

The newest model in feeders features pigeon-proofing (although why a pigeon eating should be less desirable to look at than a blue jay stuffing his face, I'll never know), and a gravity bin that lets the feed drop automatically onto the tray as the birds eat it away at the bottom. The whole feeder looks like an air-borne ranch bungalow. The pigeon-proofing is achieved by a little fence of wooden dowels set around the rim of the two feeding platforms. The dowels are just far enough apart to let "U" birds like cardinals and blue jays get to the food, but not far enough to let the "non-U" pigeons in. One flip young pigeon did, however, find a way to beat this dowel barrier. He discovered that, by standing and stretching on his tiptoes and hunching his shoulders, he could make himself tall enough and thin enough to get through. His nickname became Marcel Marceau. But



"Birds . . . are becoming gourmets."

greed done him in, for he ate himself too fat to get through.

One of the best feeders on the market is a roofed and boxed-in platform with a weather vane on the sides. This swings the feeder so that the entrance is always in the lee of the wind. Even a non-birder can understand how much more comfortable it is, if you are a hungry bird, to feed in the lee of the wind than to have a following gale ignominiously upend your tail section just as you are reaching for a morsel of millet.

When it comes to food, a regular Cordon Bleu school of bird provisioning is building up, some of it with carefully studied backing. It's pretty well agreed, for instance, that beef suet should be provided all year round for its protein value. For the gourmet types, this should be beef *kidney* suet. However, Dr. Eugene Swope, past superintendent of the Roosevelt Bird Sanctuary at Oyster Bay in Long Island, warns against putting this suet in wire baskets as many do. A woodpecker's tongue, flicking against the icy metal in winter, could freeze to the wire instantly and be torn out. He recommends onion bags. Or you can,

To the editor, from a refugee in Sweden

Thank you so much for your kindness in helping me to obtain all those fascinating booklets. You must know that I am a refugee from Latvia (now brutally occupied by Bolsheviks) and that I left all I had, my home with several collections of china, glass, antique furniture, etc. But as a young girl I had an English education. I enjoy your magazine, which is sent to me by a Latvian friend in Canada. When I have enjoyed the magazine, I send it to Latvia, to my dear family members. Just to see something nice is uplifting in their misery. And, even if these magazines disappear under the journey to Latvia — somebody reads them and looks at them. Somebody sees that in the free world people live a better life, can obtain nice things for the fruits of their work. Every seed that reaches soil is valuable. If your magazine just gives an idea that there is something wrong behind the Iron Curtain, if people begin to be unsatisfied, it has served a very good purpose. Any old copies of your magazine would be enjoyed very much there. (NAME WITHHELD, VIGGBYHOLM, SWEDEN).

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Mrs. McDougall's standard feed for her birds is raw peanuts, sunflower seeds and millet, with cracked corn for pheasants. It's a quiet day in her garden if she has only 20 or 30 different species at her feeders. At the height of the migrating season, one September, she had thousands of blue jays for a week. Couldn't hear yourself think, she said. Sometimes a special food attracts and holds a particularly desirable bird. Once, last winter, 300 red polls landed in Mrs. McDougall's garden and ate their way through 35 pounds of golden millet every week for a couple of months. Evening grosbeaks with their startling pattern of black, white and brilliant yellow, turn up in flocks of fifty or a hundred and, although some experts warn against feeding any bird salted nuts because it raises their blood pressure so high they cannot survive, Mrs. McDougall finds that evening grosbeaks prefer salted peanuts and seem not to be harmed by them.

There seems to be no doubt that birds who eat from feeders are developing gourmet tastes. Dr. William H. Drury, Jr., the director of the Hatheway School of Conservation Education in Lincoln, Mass., confirms this. He says that birds will not stay at a feeder that doesn't supply varied and interesting fare. Dr. Drury has been doing a special study of bird metabolism and rate of survival, and his researchers have had to become master operators of feeding stations to keep themselves supplied with birds for study. They found that, for variety, catbirds like crumbled doughnuts and pie crust; fruit eaters, like cedar waxwings and robins, like raisins, bananas and apples; cardinals like cantaloupe seeds, and chickadees and nuthatches like squash seeds, either dried or fresh. All birds, he found, liked hemp when, for variety, he added it to his regular mixtures of cracked corn, sunflower, peanuts and millet. He hastens to point out however, that the birds were *not* getting hashish from the hemp. His government insists that all hemp seed be parched before it's sold just so that neither bird nor birder gets hooked.

For reprints of Lois Wilson's helpful article "How to Lure Wild Birds to Your Garden," Oct. 1958, send 25c to us, 481 University Ave., Toronto.



TIME OFF

by Frank Moritsugu

Picking up where I left off in the August issue, here are more thoughts on jazz today for the beginning listener . . .

The world of jazz can be a baffling place, not only for the novice, but also for the fan who (like many of my generation) leaves it for a while to establish a home and raise a family, then comes back to his old love. For how she has changed.

Jazz evolves much faster than other arts. Twenty years ago jazz was big-band swing by Benny Goodman, Count Basie and Duke Ellington. Five years later, jazz was Bop by Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker. Then around 1950, jazz became Cool with Miles Davis and Gerry Mulligan. Soon afterward, jazz became Modern with the intellectual finesse of the Modern Jazz Quartet or the stew of pomposity and delicacy that is the Dave Brubeck group. Now Neo-classicism is the direction with Cannonball Adderly and Charlie Mingus leading the pack. And hovering on the horizon are the strange unnerving sounds of alto saxophonist Ornette Coleman who has split the Modernists into violent pro-and-con camps. How do you tell the game, let alone the players, without a program?

Happily there *are* some useful programs. A good beginning, or refresher course is Leonard Bernstein's LP, *What Is Jazz?* This is the lecture he delivered on the TV program, Omnibus, some seasons back. Jazz fan Bernstein's explanations tell why jazzmen sometimes do not play the tune the way you'd recognize it, and traces jazz development from early blues to Miles Davis' brand of Cool. Some of his brief illustrations are from classic recordings by Bessie Smith and Louis Armstrong. The only fault is that the studio group which does the bulk of the musical examples play only adequately. But this would bother only jazz sophisticates. It is a good record to own, and fine also for children to digest as they develop musical curiosity.

I feel that all children should be taught jazz in their music appreciation classes at school. So far as I know, none of our schools teach jazz listening. Nor do our universities. A sad omission when you consider how much jazz permeates North American popular culture — and I don't mean the pseudo-jazz background noises for TV private eye shows. The better popular singers, the more exciting musical comedies, and even some contemporary literature owe much to the jazz tradition, even if what they do is not pure jazz. But jazz is an art our children should know and enjoy, even if only because it is exciting and fun.

If you want to expose your children to good jazz as well as good European music, the best bet is to own good jazz recordings, of course. (See the beginner's record shelf in the box on next page). There's also an *Introduction to Jazz for Children* by Bob Keeshan (Captain Kangaroo) on a Harmony LP. This record is currently not available in Canada, but it's worth watching for on a shopping trip across the border.

Listening to jazz recordings and at jazz spots is the best way to experience this music. But to help you pick your way through good jazz and bad jazz, not to mention near-jazz and non-jazz, there are some excellent guidebooks. The best beginner's book is *A Handbook of Jazz*, by Barry Ulanov (Viking Compass paperback, $1.45). It is to jazz what the two Penguins, Arnold Haskell's *Ballet*, and Roger Manvell's *Film*, are to those arts. Another all-around compendium is Leonard Feather's *The Book of Jazz* (Meridian paperback, $1.45).

If either of these books start you on a reading jag about jazz, here are more. Best guides of records are the Keystone paperbacks ($1.80 each), *The Collector's Jazz: Traditional and Swing, and The Collector's Jazz: Modern*, both by John S. Wilson. The most lucid, thorough and fascinating history is *The Story of Jazz*, by Marshall Stearns (Mentor paperback, 50c). For advanced students, the best fair-minded exploration of jazz is *Jazz: Its Evolution and Essence*, by French critic and musician Andre Hodeir (Grove paperback, $2.10). And when you're really swinging with jazz, try *The Sound of Surprise*, by Whitney Balliett (Dutton, $4.25). This collection of reportage, mostly from The New Yorker, shows Balliett's special talent for reproducing in words the excitement and effect of the sounds that jazzmen make. Examples: Theolonius Monk's compositions "ripple with dissonances and rhythms that often give one the sensation of missing the bottom step in the dark," and Paul Desmond "took a long, tiptoeing solo . . ," etc.

Jazz can be happy or sad, emotional or intellectual, as bravado as Wagner or as tinkling as Scarlatti. Mahalia Jackson, the gospel singer who sings even the Lord's Prayer with a jazz feeling as well as true reverence, protests she doesn't sing jazz. This suggests that Miss Jackson, a basically simple person, finds it necessary to pay lip service to the middle-class belief that jazz and the nicer things of life—like religion—don't go together. This shillyshallying in the face of our Puritanical prejudices is why jazz is underrated in North America, while honored overseas. And why our children are not taught jazz in schools, although it is the only music native to the continent. □

BEGINNER'S SHELF OF JAZZ

☆ WHAT IS JAZZ? Leonard Bernstein. Columbia. CL 919.
☆ THE LOUIS ARMSTRONG STORY. Vols. 1-4. Columbia ML 4386. Small group jazz of the 20s and 30s.
☆ TOWN HALL CONCERT. Louis Armstrong All-Stars. RCA-Victor LPM 1443. Recorded in 1947, this was the genesis of the group Louis leads today.
☆ THE REAL FATS WALLER. RCA-Camden. CAL 473. This jazz giant's happy piano sounds could make any group swing.
☆ IN A MELLOTONE. Duke Ellington. RCA-Victor LPM 1364. The 1940-42 band, to many the greatest of all his groups.
☆ BENNY GOODMAN, 1937 AND 1938 CONCERTS. Columbia. ML 4358-9; ML 4613-4. These show best the big-band swing.
☆ WOODY HERMAN DANCE PARADE. Columbia. CL6049. Title is misleading because this is the First Herman Herd, the biggest, brashest big band as it came under the influence of Bop. Apple Honey, Bijou, Wild Root and the like.
☆ THE BIRTH OF COOL. Miles Davis. Capitol T762. The breakthrough in 1948 into the Cool chamber-music approach, featuring Gerry Mulligan and John Lewis.

And for the excitement of the past 10 years, sample The MJQ, Chico Hamilton, Cannonball Adderly, Charlie Mingus, and if you dare, The-Things-to-Come man, Ornette Coleman.

October TV special shows

This month, the new TV season bursts into a fireworks display of big-show excitement. Included is the first in the new CBC series, Festival 61, which is Folio back in new guise. The other highlights are on U.S. networks and are to include another Fred Astaire show (NBC), Bing Crosby show (ABC) and the following:

Oct. 2 LOVE IN AMERICA. An Art Carney review. CBS.

Oct. 3. FESTIVAL 61; HMS PINAPORE, the Tyrone Guthrie production done at Stratford this summer. CBC.

Oct. 8. PHIL SILVERS with Polly Bergen. CBS.

Oct. 28-29. FAMILY CLASSICS. The Three Musketeers starts off this series of two features on consecutive days, one hour on Friday, another hour, same time, on Saturday. CBS.

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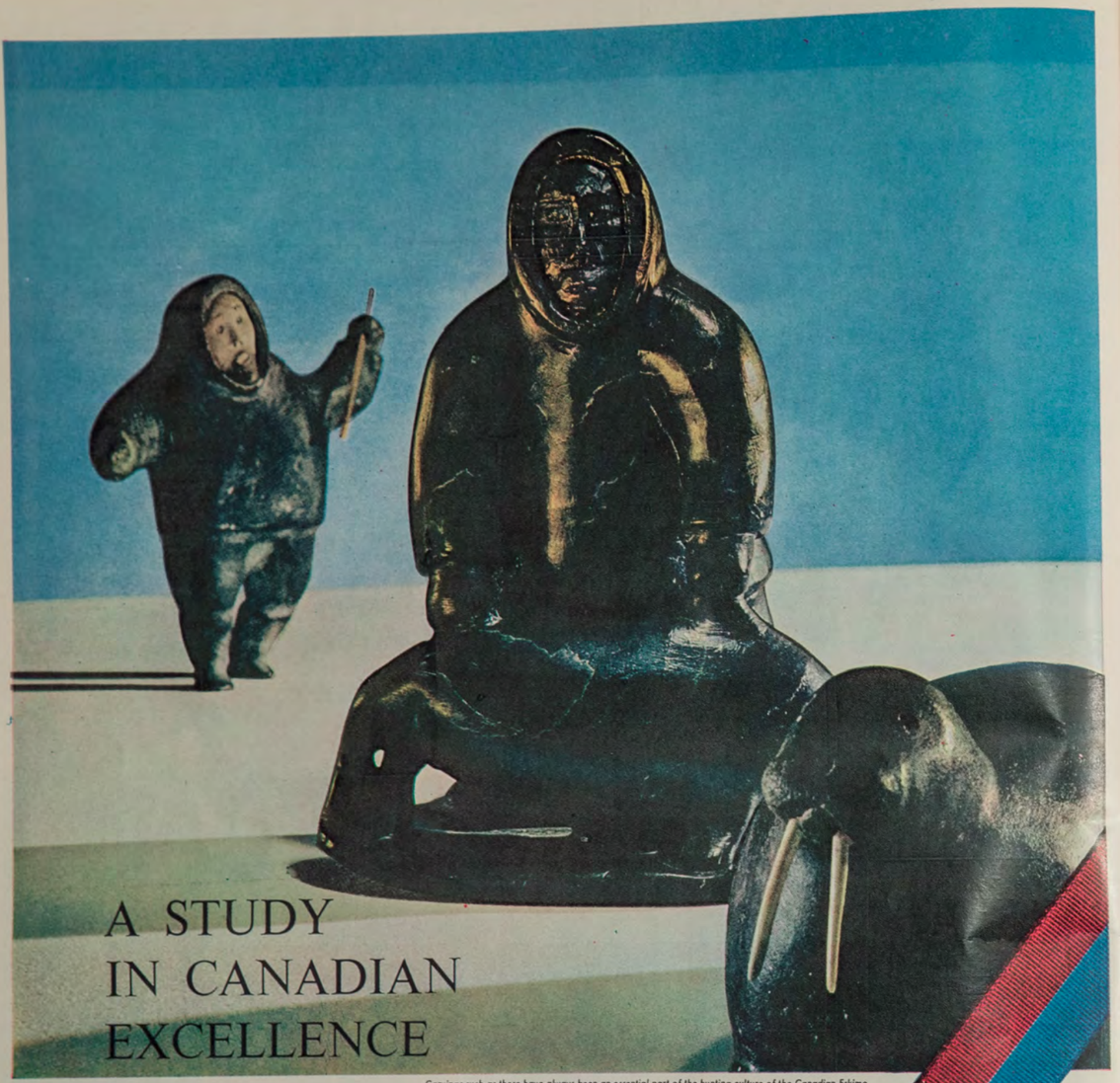
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Interlaken is the terminus for a Swiss train that plunges through the bowels of the Jungfrau as it climbs to the top of Europe's world-famous mountain.

DRAWINGS BY LEO RAMPEN

VISIT TO AN INDOOR MOUNTAIN

The Jungfrau hasn't exactly been hollowed out, but the trip up to the summit takes you right inside, and leads to a magnificent view

IMAGINE A TUNNEL bored upward toward the summit inside one of the highest mountains in Europe. Imagine a gallery bored from the tunnel out to the face of the mountain, ending in a picture window set in solid rock. Fantastic? Not at all. That's exactly what Swiss engineers did when they built the Jungfrau mountain railway. The view through the window in the mountain (use a telescope if you like) is one of the most magnificent in Europe; an awesome panorama of towering mountains, huge glaciers, glittering ice and snow. But the view is only one of the treats in store when you make the trip to the top of the Jungfrau.

The train to the summit leaves from Interlaken in the early morning. If you reach Interlaken the day before, you might like to drive on through the town and along a road which follows the track to the little village of Lauterbrunnen, nestled in a valley of flowery beauty. Stay at one of the small hotels or pensions in Lauterbrunnen and you will probably find on the following morning that your bedroom window frames a wonderful view of the snow-covered peak of the Jungfrau.

You can board the train at the Lauterbrunnen station, pass through Wengen, a mountainside village connected to the rest of the world only by the railway. Eventually you reach Scheidegg. There at an altitude of 6,762 feet you change to another and shorter train for the final ascent.

Soon after you board the new train, it plunges into a tunnel and makes the rest of the ascent through, instead of around, the mountain. The train stops, inside the tunnel, at the entrance to the gallery with its huge plate-glass windows and superb views of mountain scenery.

Farther up there is an observation platform from which you can enjoy the open-air vistas of mountains and glaciers. Walk through another long tunnel and you can take an elevator a few hundred feet higher still to "The Sphinx," a small building on a pinnacle of rock at an altitude of 11,723 feet.

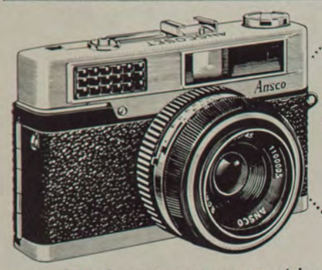
On the glacier near the summit, there's a ski school in operation all summer long, and you can rent skis and other equipment at nominal rates. An instructor is always present, not only to help beginners, but also to ensure that nobody ventures past the line of flags—the start of a twenty-mile downhill run! When the instructor sees anybody approaching too close to the big run, as I did before my rather primitive snow-



More than a mile up, the village of Scheidegg clings to the mountainside.

By ROBERT MEAD

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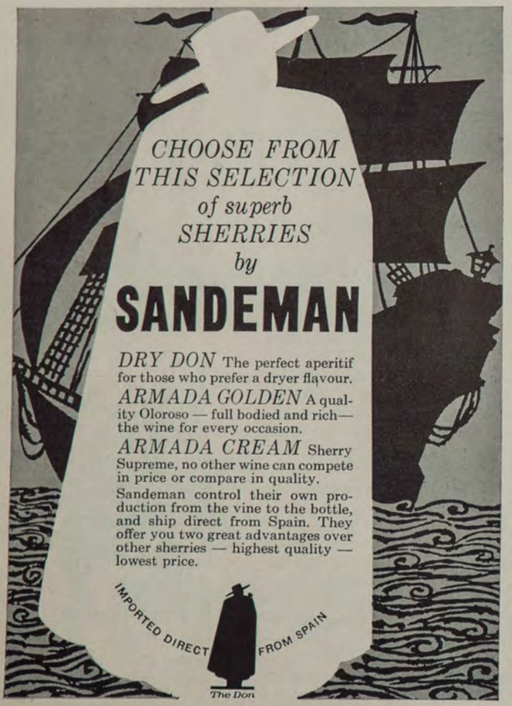
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plow took effect, he yells "Stop!" in English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and half a dozen other languages.

If you don't feel particularly energetic, you can omit the skiing in favor of a ride in a sleigh drawn by a dog team. It seemed a bizarre experience for a Canadian to go all the way to Europe to ride a dog-sled for the first time in his life.

If you wish to go skating, instead of skiing, you can do so on the postage-stamp-size rink inside a grotto cut in the solid ice of the ancient glacier.



Picture window set inside the mountain.

And here's a tip. If, as I did, you decide to use Lauterbrunnen rather than Interlaken as your base for the assault on the Jungfrau, try to arrive early, and after booking your accommodation, drive farther along the valley to the Trummelbach Falls. This is a unique waterfall, contained almost wholly within a cleft in the mountain. You rent a cape as protection from the spray, then enter an elevator which takes you up inside the mountain to the first viewpoint. The force of the water, fed by the Jungfrau glaciers, is stupendous, and the noise in the confined space is deafening. You can walk along a series of galleries to several other viewpoints.

If you don't want to drive, there's an inexpensive bus service that runs the three miles from Lauterbrunnen to the Trummelbach Falls.

The garrison that couldn't fall, and did

Attacked four times, surrendered twice and held twice, Fort Ticonderoga in its 25 years of fighting history set a record of hostilities no other fort in North America approached. Its strategic location at the foot of Lake Champlain halfway between the Thirteen colonies and New France made it a prize possession during the Seven Years War and the Revolution.

The French built Ticonderoga in 1755, and the British seized it in 1759 during the Seven Year War. But it was not long before the American colonies rebelled against Britain, and Ticonderoga was one of their first acquisitions. They determined to hold on where both French and British had failed — yet Britain's Gentleman Johnny Burgoyne wrested it back in 1777. He succeeded thanks to a basic misapprehension of every army that had ever held the fort. The French, who built it, assumed that no cannon could be dragged up nearby Mount Defiance. Neither the British themselves nor the Americans when they took over, questioned the assumption, until



New York's Fort Ticonderoga looks exactly as it did 300 years ago.

Burgoyne determined it could be done and blasted the Americans with fierce barrages, from atop Defiance.

At peace since then, the Fort now lures tourists via Montreal 125 miles north, and Albany, 95 miles south.

From the summit of "Burgoyne's" mountain, Defiance, you can get an



The fort from nearby Mount Defiance.

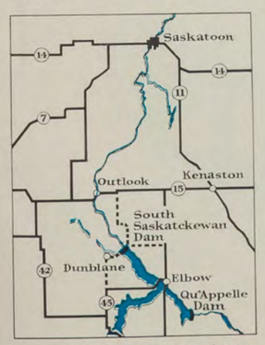
even better view over Lake Champlain than you do from the fort.

A private toll road to the top of Mount Defiance, following Burgoyne's route, costs $1.25 per car, regardless of passengers. It's open daily May to November, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The fort and its military museums are open this season until the middle of October. They open again next year in mid-May. Admission is $1, children under ten free.

Take a preview trip to a man-made lake

By 1965, one of the largest water playplaces in the west will be the man-made lake backing the South Saskatchewan River dam. But meanwhile the dam itself is now under roaring construction 95 miles south of Saskatoon, and you can visit the site by turning west from Highway 11 at Kenaston (50 miles south of Saskatoon, 110 miles north of Regina). Drive 25 miles toward Outlook, turn south on the gravel access road at the CPR crossing. Viewing construction from the east side of the river you'll see both embankments now well above the river bed, with an 800-foot channel separating them. At the observation point — no admission charge — you can see the later stages of construction projected on a working model, with clear illustrations of the immense parks and irrigation projects to come. Two miles downstream from here is a well-equipped picnic site with barbecues and running water. □



Dam is 95 miles south of Saskatoon.

Pioneer village, travel show are two fall attractions in Toronto

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A curving house that climbs a slope

Why is this house shaped like a crescent-moon?

To give the Birchams of Oakville, Ont., a more private garden

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The garden is filled with the cool sound of water gurgling over the roofs

THE WATER-FILLED ROOF with its trickling waterfalls is only one of the captivating elements that architect Bruce Etherington included in his design for William and Nan Bircham's house in Oakville, Ont. The main element is a crescent-shaped floor plan whose arms partially encircle a small garden to give them complete privacy on their suburban lot. "We wanted a courtyard house," William Bircham said, "but we couldn't get it without building a much bigger house on a much bigger lot. This gives us the privacy we wanted, and the shape of the house is much more exciting than straight walls would have been." Another element is the doors. Seven of them, spaced evenly between floor-to-ceiling sheets of fixed glass, open directly into the garden. The Birchams can walk into the garden from utility room, dining room, living room, den and the two bedrooms. Each door has a permanent screen door fitted with cedar louvers that double as decorative panels contrasting with the glass. The water? It trickles from a tap, down over the three roof levels to splash into a pool at the end.

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ARCHITECT FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN: A. BRUCE ETHERINGTON
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Owner William Bircham draws architect Etherington's attention to one of the seven doors, each with a permanently louvered screen, that link the house and garden intimately together. Nan Bircham chats with the architect's mother in the patio beside the bedrooms.

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William Bircham looks up a reference in his library. Outside, Nan Bircham discusses garden problems with Etherington, who designed garden as well as house.





At the bedroom end of the house, where water trickles off the roof into a shallow pool, the garden has a sitting area paved with white marble chips.

The dining room is two steps above the living room; the bedrooms are four steps below



Gate in the rough-sawn cedar fence opens to service yard.

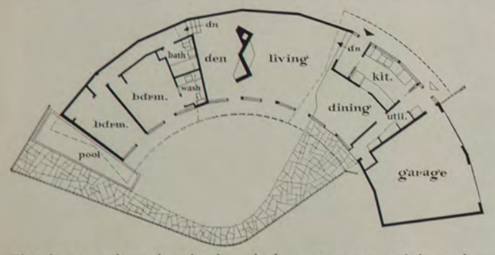
William and Nan Bircham's serene little garden is almost completely isolated from the other properties in their neighborhood. The curving house shelters it on the east, north and west, and a rough-sawn cedar fence made of boards driven straight into the ground closes the garden on the south side. The fence itself curves, too. Starting at the point where the garage meets the house, the fence swings out to a point 29 feet from the house, then curves back to meet the house wall at the bedroom end. At the garage end, where a gate (left) opens to a service yard tucked behind the garage wall, the fence is six feet high. As it follows the slope of the lot, the fence gets lower until it is only three feet high at the bottom end where water from the roof splashes into a shallow pool.

The water-filled roof is one of architect Etherington's favorite devices; he includes it in most of his designs for a practical reason: evaporation helps to keep the house cool in the Canadian summer, especially if the water evaporates before it gets a chance to "pond" on the roof and heat up in the sun. But the water on the roof of this house cools the Birchams twice: physically, by evaporation; and psychologically, by the cool sound it makes as it splashes from roof to roof and falls into the pool. The stepped roofs that make the waterfalls possible are a logical development from the plan: the lot slopes from front to back and the Birchams wanted the house to follow the slopes in order to keep it linked closely to the garden. The stepped plan achieves this end, and adds a bonus to the interior at the same time — the different levels inside separate the house into zones. The dining room is two steps above the living room and den; the bedrooms are four steps below them.

Because the house is only one room wide (21 feet, wall to wall), and the garden is such an important part of the design, the wall facing it is made of windows and doors only. The Birchams can step from any room in the house directly into the garden without crossing another room to get there. □



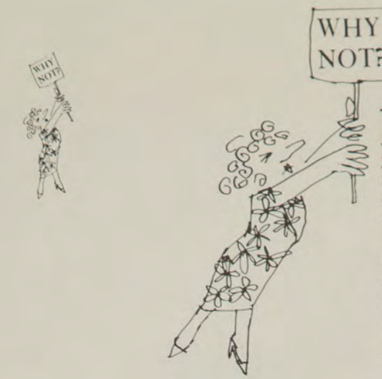
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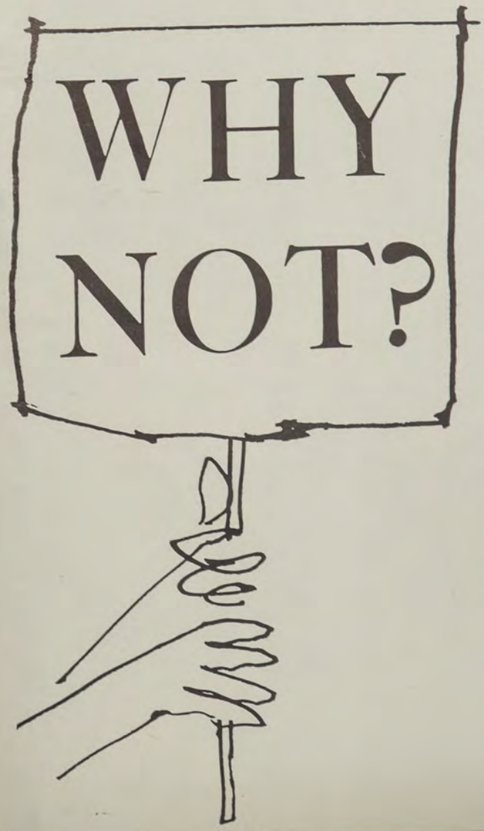
The plan steps down three levels as the house curves around the garden.



Cooling water drips over roof ledge.



What gay, glamorous, efficient housewife, driven up the wall by the inconveniences of modern living has never wailed



I HAVE JUST finished cleaning my radiators. What a perfectly awful job that is; there just doesn't seem to be one tool in the world, made or improvised, that will do a decent job of it. Why, I wonder, aren't radiators attached to the floor with hinges?

As for the things we cook with — why don't flour sifters come in little sets like measuring cups, instead of one that is always too big or too small? Surely baking powder and salt cartons could come with little trap doors that would let out one teaspoonful at a time. Or take sugar bags and flour sacks. Have you ever spent a patient half hour trying each of the four ends of string trying to find which is the one that magically opens it? Why in the world not a little tag saying, "Here, stupid; try this one?"

Once you take a cold hard look at a modern home, you begin to wonder just who has been using his brains on it, and you immediately come up with the correct answer: nobody.

Why shouldn't kitchen shelves — all shelves — be twice as numerous, and on hinges so you could get them out of the way when you didn't need them? Why can't we buy wooden or plastic pieces to fit over our good wooden tables while the kids are small; or rugs that can be zipped together to make them larger or smaller when we move, or be zipped apart for easy washing?

Then there is my very pet peeve; why don't the manufacturers of furniture turn out a set of slipcovers that fit exactly to go with a suite sold, as it were, in its underwear? You could then have a heavy-duty plastic or denim set for every day; a wool frieze set for Sundays, and a glamorous brocade for real show-off. You could then change your color scheme without changing all your furniture; in fact, you could even match your decor to your latest dress. It would do so much more to relieve spring fever than just rearranging the furniture.

I would like to see a plastic cloth woven with the somewhat revolting coldness-to-touch removed. We could then have drapes, furniture covers and rugs . . . especially rugs . . . that would be the last word in ease of care, as well as having those wonderful glowing colors — golds and silvers and the greens and blues of the sea. I think that the stigma of cheapness would go from these, and then their pure color would come into its own.

Why-nots for the children could go on forever. Every once in a while some courageous soul says that you should keep the little dears in cages. There is truth in this. Children fall out of playpens, and a good workable cage would be a very sensible thing indeed. Playpens, if we can do no better, should be expandable, much bigger than they are now, and much higher; and there should be more tied-down toys that cannot be thrown for poor aching mothers to pick up. High chairs are murderous, and a workable, high substitute should be invented — high enough to reach *Continued on page 42*

BY EDITH CORBETT

Drawings by Martin Stringer

CLASSIC CANADIANA

LEGACY OF CANADA'S LOOMS

ALMOST two hundred years ago, when United Empire Loyalists, Mennonites, Germans, evicted Scottish and Irish tenant farmers began to immigrate to Canada, they brought their traditional sewing and weaving techniques with them. Some brought their own spinning wheels, too. Others had wheels and bobbin racks, looms and winders made by local carpenters. They imported dyes, or made their own from sumach, goldenrod and walnut. Their looms had "harnesses" that permitted the separation of lengthwise threads so that designs could be made. The typical Early Ontario coverlet was made on a four-harness loom; it was "overshot" — colored threads crossed over the warp to make geometric patterns. But by 1830, the Jacquard loom enabled the weaver to produce patterns with birds and flowers. These Early Canadian coverlets can still be found at auctions and antique shops, and cost between $35-100. □

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Enduring Canadian coverlets

Outside Dalziel barn in the Pioneer Village in the northwest corner of Metropolitan Toronto, a guide holds a copy of antique overshot coverlet, "Snail's Trail," made by Mrs. Belson (see below). The Village's original was woven in 1830. Next, appliqué blanket, "Sixteen Hearts." Third, Jacquard coverlet woven in 1840. Back fence: 16-harness coverlet from Waterloo County, Ont. (1850s). In black and white, four-harness overshot coverlet, Markham, Ont. (1850s). Last along back fence, work by professional weaver, Toronto, 1857. Foreground left: Another copy, by Mrs. Belson, of an original. Right, Jacquard coverlet by Pennsylvania Dutch settlers in Waterloo County.



Inside Dalziel barn, Mrs. Florence Belson works a four-harness loom to weave an authentic reproduction for the Village display. Two of them are shown in big picture.



Take a simple classical bust, such as Frances Loring's head of fellow sculptor Florence Wyle

or a welded abstract like Gerald Gladstone's Land Bird





or a stone carving like E. B. Cox's Form in Green Stone



or a little wooden committee meeting like Anne Kahane's Quadrum III, and use it as the starting point for an arrangement of

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FRUIT, FOLIAGE AND SCULPTURE



ONE OF THE FAVORITE exercises of flower arrangers is to design an arrangement around a piece of fine art—a ceramic or a museum reproduction. Some small-scale art objects seem to cry out for a certain arrangement of lines and colors, and arrangers do their best to answer the cry. With this in mind, Canadian Homes found four pieces of original sculpture by four Canadian sculptors, and challenged the Garden Club of Toronto (reputed to be the best arrangers in the country) to use them as the inspiration for an arrangement using only fruit and foliage. These are the arrangements they created, each in the spirit of the sculpture. Their reasons for doing what they did are explained in detail on the next page.

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These four arrangers used materials that you can get during any season

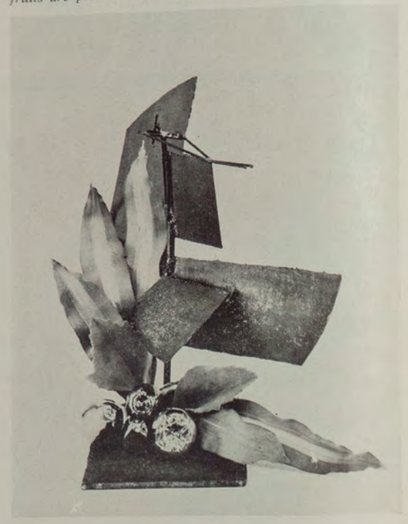




Mrs. Roy Firstbrooke's arrangement of a bare crabapple branch, yellow plums, salal leaves and grapes was designed to emphasize the head. The long, bare branch unites the composition; the wired-on plums and leaves add form and color; grapes lead the eye from brass vase back to the head.



To Mrs. Victor Murray, Land Bird was a bird in flight. Her arrangement emphasizes the bird form, using large-striped variegated dracaena leaves and grey-green Kalanchoë beharensis *to express the freedom of flight. Pottery fruits are placed where vertical and horizontal lines cross.*





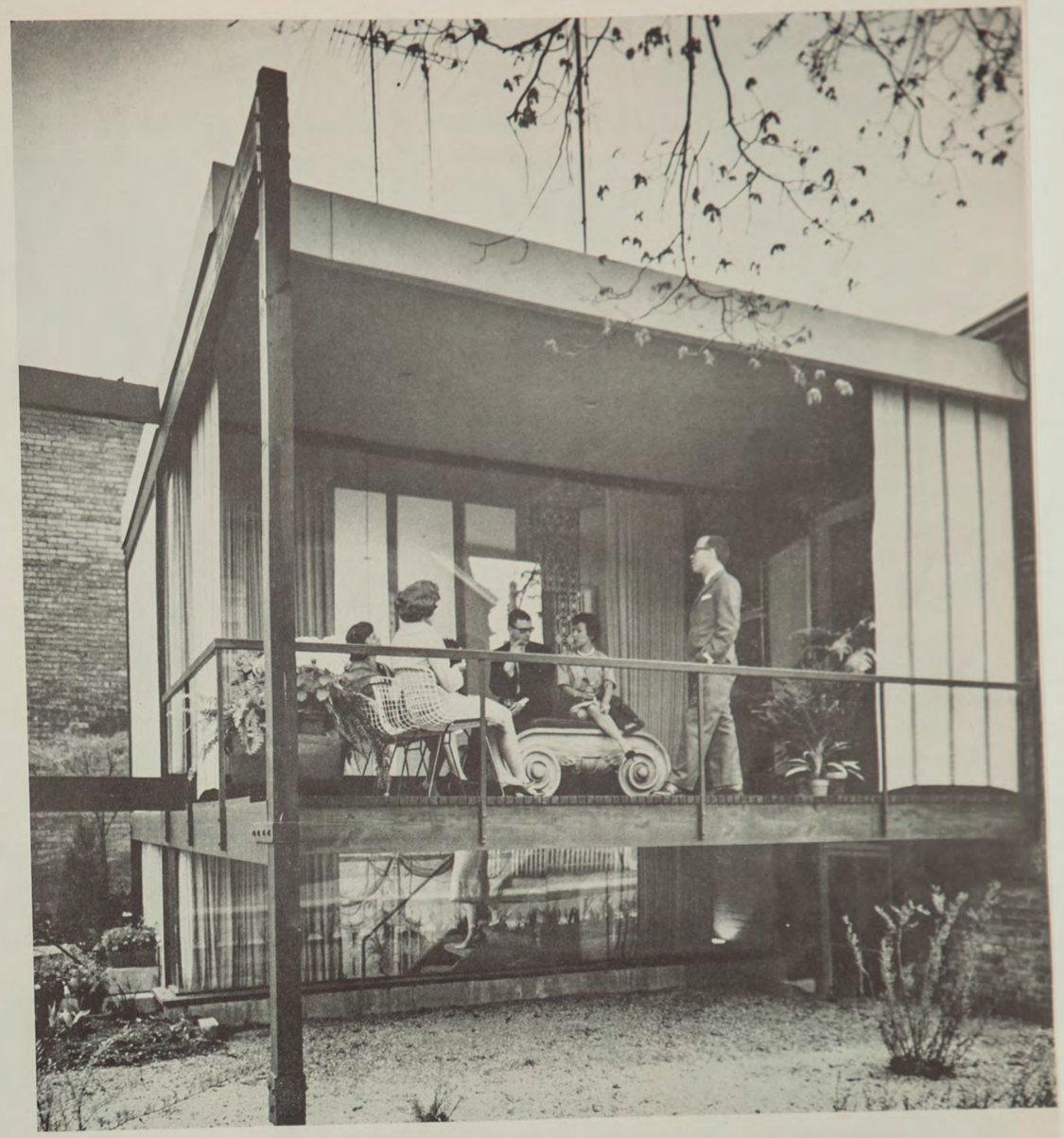
Margaret Dove says space supersedes mass, so she chose three leaves of bird's nest fern and a group of grapefruit and pears to balance space against the heavy stone. The texture of the fern leaves accents the ripple in the carving, and the yellow fruit adds more variety in form and color.



To Mrs. James W. Cochrane, Quadrum III is a group of flower show judges discussing an arrangement. Hers is a design of dried, brown tobacco leaves to repeat the wood tones; glossy camellia leaves for contrast; bananas, grapes, nectarines, pears for color; and brass background tray. □







Contemporary as post-and-beam can make it, this house is

NOT AS MODERN AS IT LOOKS

PRODUCED BY MARGIT BENNETT; PHOTOGRAPHED BY PETER VARLEY; FLOWERS BY ARTHUR FROST

FOR PLEASING PROOF, TURN THE PAGE

The modern, raised patio is only part of a 133-year-old house; inside, it retains a century-old air of dignity and charm



Modern balcony gives one hint of the traditional interior: a classic capital from an old column serves here as a bench.

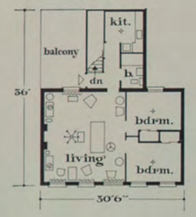


Only change to the front of the old house, once used as a local jail, was to replace the original door with a big central window and punch a new door into the basement.

WHEN HE PURCHASED THE 133-YEAR-OLD HOUSE at above, right, Robert Dirstein, a professional interior designer, faced one large problem: How to decorate the gracious building without insult to its simplicity? Dirstein's own personal taste is eclectic — "If it looks good and feels comfortable, I'm all for mixing styles," he says — but leans towards period pieces. So Dirstein's century-old Toronto home (it was once home *and* jail for the sheriff of the village of Yorkville) retains the elegance and grace it had originally. If you know your furniture styles, you can recognize Louis XVI, Regency, Oriental, Biedermeier, modern and Early Canadian pine among the pieces in his living room at right. Mind you, it takes a lot of nerve and a sure eye for color and scale to mix so many periods and styles this way, but the results are worth it. Dirstein's sympathy for modern lines was satisfied with the sleek new patio he suspended above ground at back of the house.



Balcony, facing a side street, can be closed for privacy with striped awnings.



Dirstein ripped out almost all the interior walls in the old house and rebuilt them to get a spacious living room and two bedrooms. All the services— kitchen, bath, furnace and stairs — are located in the modern addition at the rear.



19th Century German chest holds 20th Century high-fidelity set by fireplace.

Grillework — a pair of old wrought iron gates — forms division point between modern addition and the old house.





Designers Dirstein (standing), Harold Babcock (seated), identify the styles. Clockwise they are: contemporary sofa, Regency chair, Pembroke table, Louis XVI chair, Biedermeir chest, pine mantel and Oriental box.



BEFORE

A NEW LIFE FOR A VERY OLD HOUSE

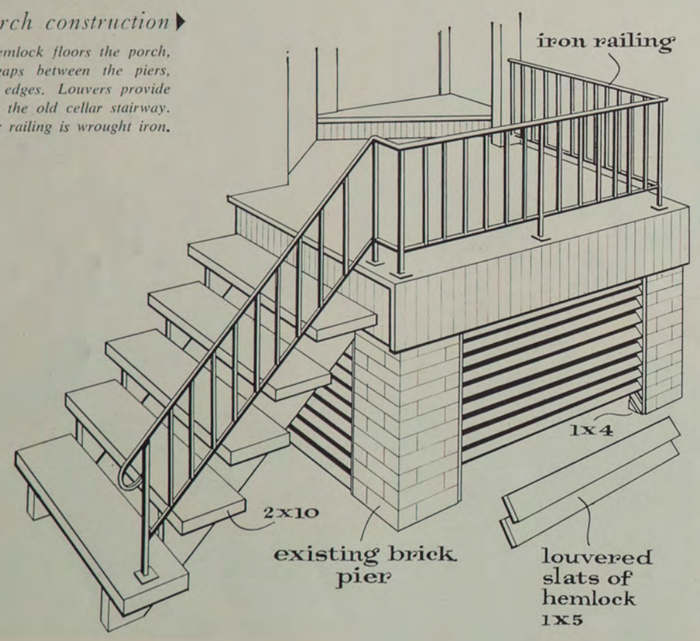
A little wrecking, a coat of paint, a new porch, and this narrow downtown Toronto house starts its third life cycle, looking the way it did in the beginning

WHEN THIS OLD HOUSE on Toronto's downtown Charles Street was built 59 years ago, it looked very much as it does today. The porch was a little different, perhaps; a set of steps led straight down to the street and the brick was red. But those were the only differences. The graceful archway led to the front door, and the parlor window was topped with keyed bricks. The people who lived there were the suburbanites of the day; to them, everything north of Bloor Street (now a bustling mid-town artery) was the country. Some time later as the city marched steadily northward and the original residents moved out to Rosedale or Moore Park, a new owner bought it and the house went through its first renovation: a verandah was added, complete with pillars, railing and detailed cornice. Now, the old house has a new occupant, and a new face-lifting. Tenant Don Pelletier, who is saving up to buy the place, designed the 1960 look himself — a design that makes the old house look very much as it did in the beginning. He tore off the old verandah and replaced it with an open porch. He put in new steps and a simple wrought-iron railing. He gave the brick a fresh coat of pale, muddy-green paint. He also prompted other residents on the street to look at their houses with a fresh eye. Some day, perhaps, that block of old row houses may blossom again as smart houses for people who like to live close to the centre of the city.

So far, Pelletier has spent $550 face-lifting the house, and he's not finished yet. His next project is to cantilever a balcony out from the second floor and enclose it with a louvered fence. Why? He wants a private place to sit out (the old verandah had its points); he wants protection for the porch; and he wants to hide that hilarious roof line. □

Easy porch construction

Inexpensive hemlock floors the porch, fills in the gaps between the piers, and trims the edges. Louvers provide ventilation for the old cellar stairway. Steps are pine; railing is wrought iron.





Simple steps with open risers replace the narrow old stairway. Materials cost just $12.

New look for the doorway

Graceful brick archway was revealed when the old porch (top of this page) was pulled down. Simple hemlock louvers fill the gaps between the existing brick piers.

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The Spence-Sales of Montreal have turned their three-acre river-front lot into one huge garden. But, when Winter comes

Their garden is *inside* the house

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THE TWO PEOPLE at the left are sitting in an aerie discussing an anemone. The people are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spence-Sales; their aerie is a glassed-in room on the second floor of their house in Preville, across the river from Montreal; and the anemone at Spence-Sales' fingertips is just about to get moved.

The anemone, and all the other plants in the Spence-Sales indoor garden, for that matter, get shifted about constantly. "We're always pushing the things around, shifting the plants here and there," Spence-Sales explains. "The room is never the same twice."

The room is a 12-by-18 foot sunroom on the south-west side of the house, jutting out from a second-floor living room. In the winter, when it gets the most use, the room is a little tame jungle, full of plants sprouting from pots on the floor, dangling from pots at the ceiling, or climbing up dowel trellises by the windows. When snow is on the ground, the Spence-Sales go there to study, read, or just sit and enjoy the view it commands across the Seaway.

Shifting things is no problem. The floor of the garden is concrete paving stones laid on a bed of sand. When someone feels like moving, say, the pool, he simply picks up the copper tray it lies in, and beds it in the sand in some other spot. The plants, either in copper trays or pots, can be shifted just as easily. And the plants are no trouble to look after. They simply spray them with a watering can. It doesn't matter at all if the water splashes around; the plywood floor under the sand is protected by a course of damp-proofing.

There is always water in the garden. Some of the copper trays are filled with water for growing water plants. Others are filled with water just for the sake of water. The Spence-Sales children don't do it any more (both in mid-teens, they've grown beyond it), but they used to keep creepy-crawly things in the water trays — crawfish, tadpoles, water bugs. Now the trays grow only plants, and an occasional crop of green algae that gets scraped out now and then.

When these pictures were taken, the Spence-Sales' room contained spider plants, cypress grass and potted anemones. All the plants have been shifted around from place to place since then, of course, and what the glassed-in room looks like today is anybody's guess. Probably not even Spence-Sales himself (a practicing architect and town planner who teaches both subjects at McGill) could tell until he finishes re-arranging things — and that pleasure never ends.





Detail of garden room floor has Eskimo walrus carving lolling on bed of sand beside metal-lined tray that once held tadpoles and other wildlife children found.

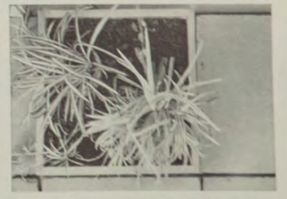


Translucent white Scandinavian light fixture hangs in front of wood dowels fixed a few inches in front of wall. Dowels support growing ivy, plant pots.

West wall of garden room supports a collection of potted ivy and saxifrage suspended on floor-to-ceiling-length dowels. Dowels are held, top and bottom, with ordinary screw-eyes. Pots of cypress grass and philodendron share floor with rocks and clay figure.



Erstwhile house for a pair of turtles, a copper tray now holds a selection of river stones. The biggest, an Eskimo carving of a seal's head, surfaces for air.



Garden-room floor is paved with pre-cast concrete tiles which can be moved about to allow insertion anywhere of planting boxes. Plants used here are chlorophytum.



One of Spence-Sales' favorite plants, scindapsus aurens, a lacy climber, is supported on dowels against a window. Both other plants are saxifrage. □

PRIVACY IN A PRAIRIE FRONT YARD

This Calgary family doubled their season for outdoor living by fencing in their front yard

DICK AND MURIEL LOCKE and their daughters may still be enjoying dining out on their Calgary patio for a couple of weeks yet — which is saying something on the western Prairies, where, even in August, you often need a sweater. But Calgarians will resort to any dodge to indulge their passion for outdoor living, and the Lockes' trick was neat and simple: build your patio on the south side to catch all the sun, then fence out the spoilsport breezes from the distant foothills. Although right in the front yard, the Lockes' patio enhances the looks of their house, and sheltered behind its handsome 5-foot 8-inch fence they make the most of their private oasis from May to October. "We have breakfast, lunch and dinner there whenever we can," Dick Locke says, "and Sunday breakfast always. The girls (twins Alix and Jane, 12) play records there, and Muriel and I have friends over for barbecues, dances and the like."

The patio's concrete is laid on three inches of gravel. The fence is a frame of two-by-fours filled in with plywood and topped with translucent plastic. Patio and fence cost $175 and is a conversation piece in the neighborhood. "Everybody else wishes he had one just like it," Mrs. Locke boasts — justifiably. □



Privacy fence has plastic top

Oblivious to activity on the Calgary street outside, the Lockes settle down to a barbecue supper behind the fence on their front-yard patio. Electric outlets enable them to cook the entire meal outdoors in the patio.



Potted plants and exotic shrubs grow in the sunny shelter behind the fence.



Brightly flowered sun umbrella provides shade when the sun gets too hot for comfort.



Careful planting and neat design make the fence a good-looking addition to the house.



Dick Locke, who thought up the idea for the patio, digs into a bowl of chili. Since the front patio was built, the side and back yards of the house have hardly been used at all. "The girls play volleyball out there—that's all," Dick says.

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Watch out for wicker madness—it's a virus that's infecting otherwise rational women

BASKETS FROM FAR-AWAY PLACES

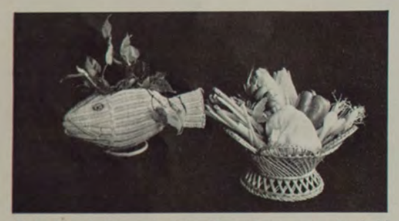
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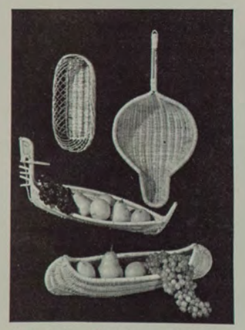
Magazine basket comes from Hong Kong; sides are woven from Palembang rattan, $8.95.

Leaf-shaped trays with handles are from Hong Kong, vary in price. From left: $2; $2.39; $2.50. Cornucopia for displaying fruit comes from Hong Kong, is only $1.





Fish-shaped planter is from Hong Kong, can also hold small fruit, $2.95. Portuguese compote basket, $2.50.



Top left: Madeira roll basket, $1.29. Others are all from Hong Kong: basket with handle, $1.50; gondola, $2.50; and canoe, $1.50.



Roll basket, $1; wine-bottle holder, $3.95; from Madeira. Elephant, Hong Kong, $2.95.

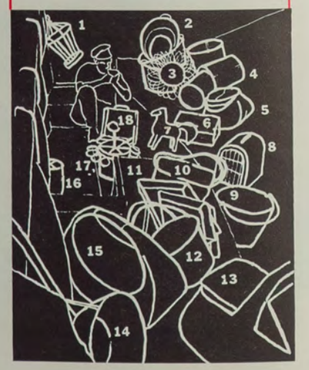
ALTHOUGH the sloop at right is tied to a dock in Toronto harbor, and the old seadog is really a landlubber, the baskets that surround him are the real thing. They come to Canada from Hong Kong, Poland, Italy, Yugoslavia, and the Portuguese island of Madeira. Basketware does come the long way round to get to our homes. The original rattan comes from Malaya, where ships under sail still come down the straits laden with the dried jungle vines. Then the rattan goes to those other faraway places in the form of cane and reed. There it is fashioned by deft craftsmen whose hands have not yet been replaced by machines. Other materials like wicker and raffia get into the act. Then when woven, the baskets travel to us over another ocean or two. Yet their prices are so reasonable, only the bigger, fancier pieces shown here cost more than $10. Many are under $5.

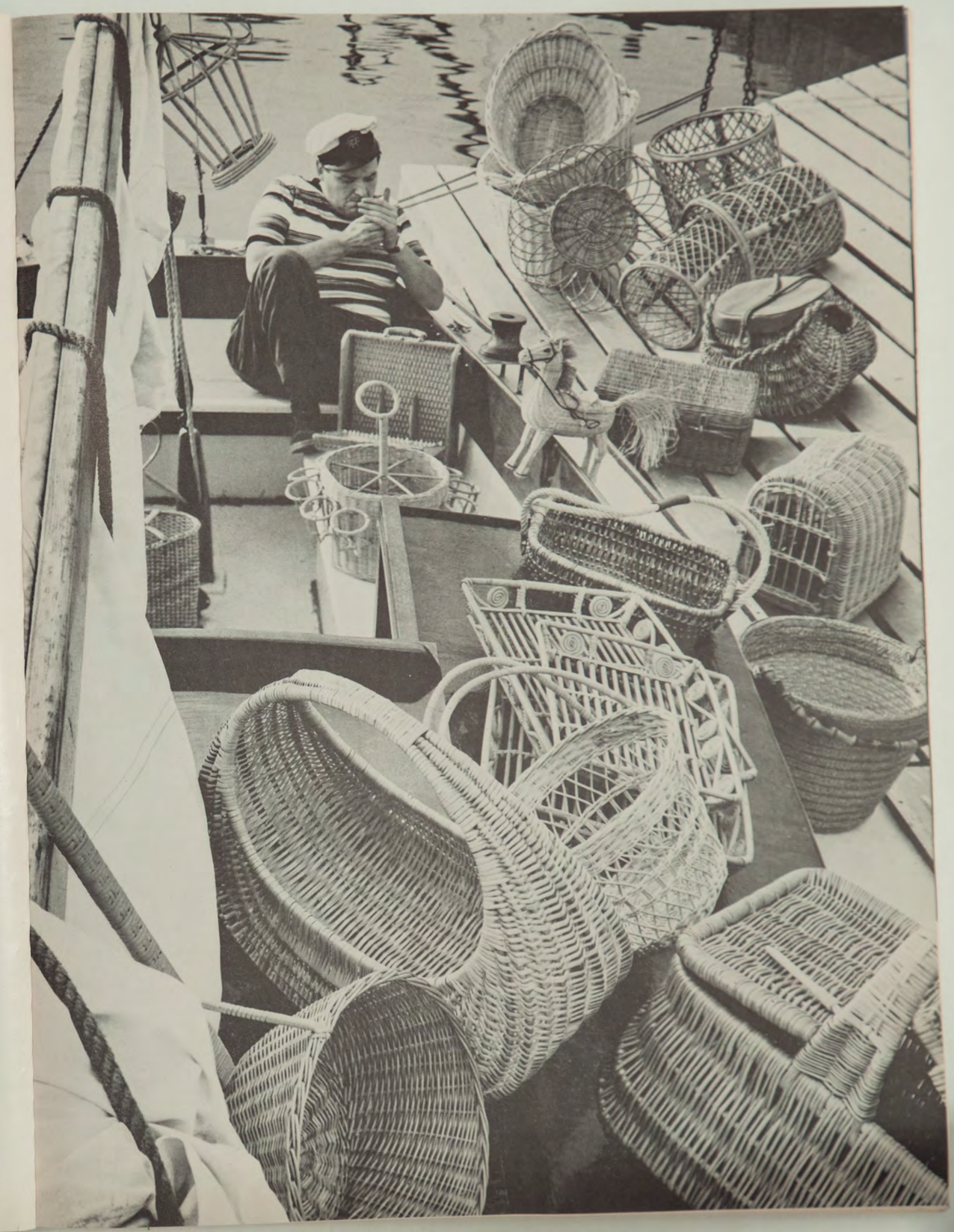
Not only do baskets come in a staggering variety, but you can use them anywhere in any house. They don't clash with any decorating style, at least none that we know of. That's why so many folk we know are bugs about baskets.

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Guide to baskets at right

1. Lantern basket, Hong Kong, $3.98.
2. Laundry baskets, Poland, $2-3 each.
3. Wall decoration, Madeira, $2-3.
4. Tabourets, Hong Kong, 3 for $20.
5. Italian basket, leather top, $34.
6. Picnic basket from Poland, $5.98.
7. Horse with lid, Hong Kong, $3.98.
8. Cat carrier, Hong Kong, $10.95.
9. Grey wastebasket, Italy, $18.95.
10. Basket, rope handle, Italy, $10.
11. Trays, Hong Kong, $6.95 for three.
12. Shopping basket, Hong Kong, $1.79.
13. Picnic basket from Poland, $4.50.
14. Long-handled server, Poland, $2.95.
15. Shopping basket, Poland, to $3.50.
16. Wine-bottle basket, Madeira, $3.95.
17. Drink basket, Hong Kong, $13.95.
18. Wine carrier, Yugoslavia, $5.95.





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Setting the table she helped refinish herself, Mrs. L. R. Kirkby of Toronto uses crystal to match the table's antique effect in white and gold paint.

FOR $25, THEY MADE THEIR OLD DINING SUITE LOOK PARTY-NEW

By Margit Bennett

For most people, the first furniture for their first house must be cheap as well as attractive and comfortable. The house itself usually takes most, or all, of the money. For the furniture, you have to make do. But there's no cause for despair, if you're willing to substitute ingenuity and elbow grease for the money you don't have. For an example, see how the L. R. Kirkbys of Toronto improved a set of old furniture that just didn't fit in its original state.

When the Kirkbys had decided on a white background with gold antique effect for their particular furniture peeve, a dark dining room suite, they went at the renovation with meticulous care. First, they filled holes and scratches with woodfiller, then put on water glass. This marvel in a bottle is a protective coating that eliminates the tedious business of stripping off dark old varnish before you start refinishing. They spread the water glass (obtainable at a hardware store) with a cloth, let it dry to its fairly hard finish, then primed the surface with a flat white paint, using a brush. When the primer coat dried, they sanded the surface lightly with No. 2 sandpaper, then added two coats of flat white paint. They sprayed these coats from a pressure can, for the even effect that sprays give. Unless you're a real pro, you don't get as even an effect with a brush as with a spray. They sanded between these coats, but not after.

Then they sprayed on gold paint, shading it in from the corners, fading away toward the centres. They accented the original hardware with thick coats of gold paint. The seats of the chairs were recovered with foam



Using spray paint from pressure can, Mrs. Kirkby achieves a smooth surface.

rubber sheeting, and rose velveteen at $1.98 a yard. The whole job cost $25 for 6 chairs, table, sideboard.

The Kirkbys advise you to practice on an old board to learn how to shade the gold in from corners, edges. □

Simple way to clean small spaces

You can use your vacuum cleaner to clean the tiny crevices of typewriters, sewing machines, etc. Cut a small piece of cardboard into a circle, slightly larger than the end of the vacuum cleaner hose. Punch a small hole in the middle of the cardboard, insert a small flexible hose—the spout of a plastic watering can will do—and hold this attachment over the end of the cleaner hose. The suction of the cleaner will hold the cardboard in place and you can direct the small hose into the crevices while you work. It is better if the smaller hose is not airtight in the cardboard, and allows the cleaner to draw extra air, because restricting the cleaner to such a small intake for several minutes could strain and damage the vacuum cleaner motor. Rest the motor frequently while you work by switching it on and off or removing the attachment from the end of cleaner hose. □



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HOW TO GET YOUR FURNACE READY FOR THE LONG, CHILLY WINTER

Furnaces are like automatic robots these days. Usually all you have to worry about is setting the thermostat and paying the fuel bills. You don't even have to look at the furnace unless something goes wrong. And that usually means getting on the phone for the serviceman, so *he* will look.

But knowing what you can do to keep your furnace happy, and therefore working properly, can keep you in confident control of that robot down in the basement or in the utility room. Read the following tips carefully and follow their lead. They were collected from heating experts who know a great deal about the use and abuse of home furnaces.

Your burner needs plenty of air. If your furnace or boiler is in a tightly sealed basement or utility room, open a window an inch or two so air can get in to feed the combustion chamber, or leave the storm windows off a couple of windows.

Lubricate the bearings of all motors, fans and circulators. No machinery can operate long without lubrication, and neither can the moving parts of your furnace. See that the bearings on this equipment are suitably lubricated in the fall and again about half-way through the heating season. An expert should do it if you can't.

An annual inspection of the burner and the furnace or boiler is necessary. Any automatic fuel burner should be inspected annually by a qualified homeowner or by a serviceman. When the serviceman is inspecting the burner, he should also check the belt connecting the blower on a forced warm air system to its motor. If the belt shows signs of wear, it should be replaced.

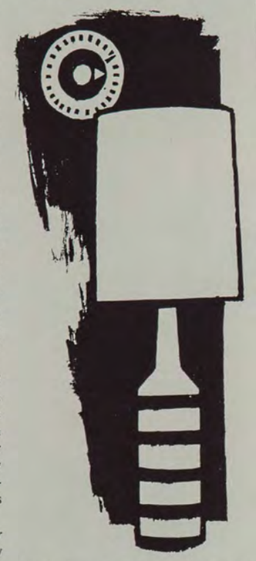
Make sure the filters on a forced warm air system are clean. The filters should be replaced or cleaned at the start of the heating season, and again at the first of the year. The blower can't pull enough air through dirty filters to satisfy the furnace. Dirt-clogged filters cause more complaints than any other single thing.

Don't starve the kitchen fan for air. Open a kitchen window a few inches when the fan is running. If you don't, the fan will take its air where it can get it, and that may be from the chimney, with a serious effect on the operation of the burner.

Short and frequent burner operations give the best kind of heating. Smoother heating results if the heat is delivered into your rooms at short and frequent intervals instead of in one long and continuous quantity. For example, it may take 30 minutes of burner operation each hour to heat the house, and that heat could be delivered into the rooms in one 30-minute operation. But it would be much more comfortable in the house if the heat were delivered in six operations of five minutes each extending over the hour. This sort of operation is what the modern thermostat can give if adjusted for it.

Don't hide your heat. Hot water radiators and warm air registers work best when air circulates freely around them. Don't place furniture too close to your heat sources in the room.

Balance the heat in your house, so that all rooms are roughly the same temperature, i.e., within two or three degrees of each other. If the architecture and structure of your house makes this almost impossible with one thermostat, you should consider installing another. In split-levels and rambling bungalows, some areas of the house lose heat faster than others, and are affected differently by outdoor temperature changes. Split-levels may be difficult to heat because the warm air of the lower level flows up to the higher level, and the cold air of the upper level drifts to the lower. With a warm air system, you can balance the flow of heat by adjusting the dampers on the main ducts in the basement, or by partly closing registers in the hotter rooms. With a hot-water system, you can adjust



Don't leave lamp near thermostat.

the flow of water at the radiators. But adding thermostats to the system means an even automatic flow of heat to the different areas.

To be comfortable during the colder weather, you may require a room air temperature slightly higher than normal. A room air temperature of 70F. may be comfortable when the outside temperature is 40F., but it may seem cold at 10F. below. This is because the outside walls and windows are colder, and people in the house lose heat from their bodies more rapidly by heat transfer.

Humidity affects comfort. Of two rooms at the same thermometer temperature but with differing humidities, the damper room will actually be warmer for people than the drier. This is because moisture evaporating from human skin into the atmosphere of the dry room uses body heat. In high humidities, less body fluid evaporates and the body loses less heat. You can carry the humidity level higher in a house with storm windows than in a single sash. This is because condensation appears on single windows at an indoor relative humidity of about 18 percent, when the indoor temperature is 70F. and the outdoor is zero. The condensation trickles down the windows, accumulates at the sills, then runs off and damages walls below. Storm windows stay warmer on the inside than single windows, so condensation does not occur as rapidly. In a house with storms, you can raise the relative humidity to 48 percent, at 70F. inside, zero outside.

Heat your basement, at least in part, for warm floors. The air between the floor joists should be 70F. to 75F., so that the floors above will be comfortably warm. The heat put into a basement is not wasted, even though the basement is not occupied. Some of it of course, will move to the outside through walls and windows, but a large part will enter the floor above and heat the air in the rooms above.

Put the heat into your house where the cold comes in. The house loses heat through the outside walls and windows, and that is where the furnace heat should enter. Because the windows are the coldest surfaces, the heat delivery should be directly beneath them but not confined to that area alone. Warm-air registers should be beside the outside walls, or directly beneath the windows, or in an extended supply system that resembles and replaces conventional baseboards.

Hot-water radiators can be conventional radiators or extended baseboard radiators around the cold perimeter. Heat delivered to the house along the cold perimeter will warm the cold air collecting inside the exterior walls and windows before it drops to the floor to chill the floor air and cause uncomfortable drafts.

Make sure your thermostat is properly placed. The job of the thermostat is to measure the room air temperature and help maintain it at the level you want. To do that job, it must be able to measure the room air temperature and not some other heat source. It should be in one of the main living rooms of the house where it will be sheltered from changes in outside temperatures. It should never be near a radio, floor lamp, table lamp, TV set or any other heat-releasing appliance because it will be affected by that extraneous heat. It should be at least two stud spaces away from any hot water pipes or warm air ducts within the wall.

Put it on an inside wall, a stud space away from an outside wall. Above all, put it in the room you use the most, and don't hide it behind a door, or in a closet, or bury it in the bookshelves. □



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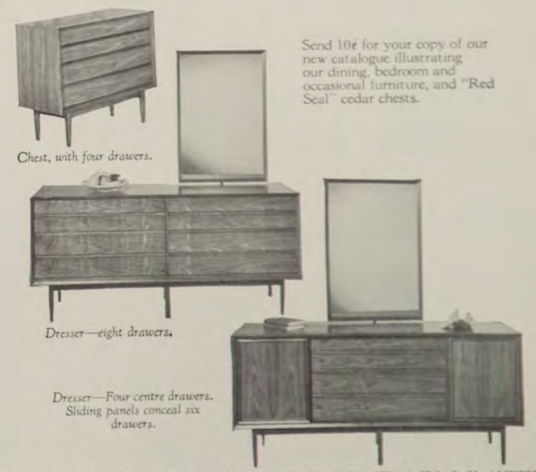
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WHY NOT? *continued from page 19*

the table where the rest of the family is eating. I don't have a glimmer of an idea what this could be like, unless it were some sort of a bubble that hung from the ceiling.

There is so much that could be so useful. Why can't vacuum cleaners and the like be transistor operated, like pocket radios? Anyone who has tripped over that treacherous snake of a cord as often as I have would appreciate that—to say nothing of the fact that no matter how carefully you clean your room, there is always one tiny dust mouse left, clinging tenaciously to that coiled-up, monstrous cord. Maybe they could be plugged in after using, to recharge.

I sometimes wonder if the manufacturers of vacuum cleaners are all two feet tall, or if they just never try running their own machines for three or four hours at a time? My centre of gravity and that of any known vacuum are just not the same; hence, backache. In hospitals they have little carts that are wonderfully mobile, and that you could push all day long without a twinge; why doesn't someone come up with a high, table-shaped cleaner that you could push slowly in front of you? There



"We could put baby in a bubble . . ."

could even be room on it for your other cleaning utensils. It could be fitted out with a scrubber and waxer on the bottom, lowered by push-buttons; there could be a fine spray to apply liquid wax. On top, the usual tubes for dusting, crevices, etc., could come complete so that all you needed to do was reach. You would not have to stop, remove this nozzle, search, attach lost nozzle after going back to the bedroom to get the darned thing where you forgot it. There might even be a buffer for small furniture.

Something else no one has ever thought of: an electric window cleaner. I would settle for a squirt machine for window cleaner fluid, plus a quick-dry blower, if nobody can think of anything better.

Why is furniture not flush with the floor? Why is there always that little space for the care and breeding of dust mice — but of no other earthly use? Could not a storage drawer be added, and everything . . . bed, dresser, drawing room suite and bookcase . . . that cannot be picked up with ease by a small child, be flush with the floor? Either that, or let's lift things way up in the air where a respectable mop can have a chance.

Why not garbage disposal units for every room in the house? With a push-button blower system, they could be installed in a corner of the floor. Then we'd have a complete wastepaper basket, garbage, and dust system, all the refuse being blown along to a central disposal unit, which could be connected with the liquid



"A cage would be handy at times . . ."

disposal needed in the kitchen. If street mains won't take it, blow it right into a garbage can.

Why don't manufacturers of children's shoes leave a little white space between the sole and the heel to record the child's name and address in indelible ink? Why doesn't someone make plastic paper dolls?

And why can't we buy plant pots and vases in plastic that have the refined beauty of the handsome British pottery you buy, decorated with classical figures? It could be done; look at the detail on children's toys. Such a vase, with ivy growing in it, would be a great beauty. While they're at it, why not copy in plastic the great museum pieces? Yes — we can already buy reproductions, but only at a cost so great that those of us with small children hesitate to buy them only to see them broken. Why aren't there natural reproductions of birds and animals — cheap?

At least, why can't the plastic people make clear plastic cartons and shoeboxes? The cardboard variety are so wonderful for storage, but they always look so shamefully temporary. Clear plastic cartons would display the merchandise in the store — and tell you where you stored your old cheque stubs at home.

And why aren't rooms round? This could go on forever, and wishes aren't horses. But maybe, someday!



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For your party, here's the basic equipment, recipes and what to serve with drinks

By MADAME JEHANE BENOIT

TO GIVE A GLAMOROUS cocktail party and have fun yourself, it's not necessary to know how to shake such cocktails as Brain Dusters, Bull Frogs, Depth Bombs, or Maiden's Prayers. No—because now the fashion is Martinis or straight such and such "on the rocks." If you're just having a few friends in for drinks before dinner, you can be as elaborate as they like—but this month we're talking about entertaining a crowd, and you'll want to keep your drinks simple and save your energy for making canapés—and having a good time.

Cocktail time brings to mind bars, accessories, glasses and heavy demands on the budget. I don't think it should; one can be a bar wizard with just a few kinds of liquor and accessories.

Equipping your bar

Whether you mix cocktails in the kitchen or at a luxurious bar, you only really need to have the following kinds of liquor in your cabinet: dry and sweet sherry, rye, scotch, gin, sweet (Italian) and dry (French) vermouth, and bitters. At your party, light drinkers will drink sherry. Most drinkers like and will drink highballs. Anywhere from a third to a half of your party will drink cocktails —and Manhattans and Martinis will take care of them. Manhattans are a two-to-one mixture of rye and sweet vermouth; Martinis a similar mixture of gin and dry vermouth. Some people prefer three-to-one or even four-to-one combinations in these drinks. If you think your crowd will drink cocktails in quantity, you can pre-mix them and store them in a capped jar or pitcher in the refrigerator.

As much as I like fruit juice in a colored glass, I avoid colored glasses for cocktails, because they have a way of disguising the appearance of a drink. Cocktail glasses, as a general rule, have stems, because a drink is warmed by the hands and a cocktail, especially a Martini, should be cold. Highballs are served in 8-to-10-ounce tumblers. These and sherry glasses are all the glassware you need for your party.

Most professional bartenders use only a few essential tools. There is a certain pleasure in equipping one's bar with a few unnecessary ones, but these are the only accessories you need for creating a well-run cocktail party.

- a handsome jug to do your mixing in
- 1 or 2 long bar spoons for stirring
- 1 cocktail strainer, a round one with a flexible edge large enough to be fitted over mixing cup
- 1 muddler, used for mashing orange, lemon peel
- a jigger marked for 1½ and 2 ounces
- 1 small, sharp knife for cutting lemon, etc.
- 1 good wine bottle opener and screw cap opener (look for a wine opener that is almost automatic—it won't break corks)
- 1 ice bucket—always use fresh ice when serving drinks; stale ice spoils the flavor.

A few attractive linen towels are useful for wiping tables and fingers. Souvenir matchbooks kept in a large brandy snifter make an elegant bar decoration and, of course, you'll need lots of ashtrays. Cocktail napkins come in many styles and colors—you'll find some you like. And you might remember—if you're planning a party for a very large group, it might be a good idea to move some of the furniture out of the room.

On the next page, you'll find some of my favorite cocktail and canapé recipes. And see the page after that for my favorite dinners for those inevitable guests who stay after the cocktail party is over. Feeding them needn't be a difficult chore.

Good living à la Benoit

Cut out Mme. Benoit's lesson along this line

Here are a few classic drinks, a few of my special favorites



If you want to experiment with drinks, there are many good bar books that will give you all of the classics, variations on them, and some very odd mixtures as well! Here, the basic Martini and Manhattan and a few of my own favorites. *All glasses should be well chilled before the party ever gets started.*

MARTINI: 2, 3, or 4 parts of gin to 1 part of dry vermouth. Stir with cracked ice, strain into glass, serve with curl or twist of lemon (a thin slice of outer rind without any white) or an olive.

MANHATTAN: 2 ounces of rye to 1 or ½ ounce of sweet vermouth, a dash (about 3 drops) of bitters. Stir with cracked ice, strain into glass, add cherry. Bitters, incidentally, does not mean "bitter." They have a pungent, herbal quality that blends other ingredients into harmony.

MY OWN IMPROMPTU: Pour in a cocktail glass 2 ounces of French cognac, 1 or ½ ounce of lime syrup (a simple syrup with fresh lime juice and grated lime added), 2 dashes of Angostura bitters. Stir and serve immediately.

GIN AND TONIC: Rub the peel of a lime or a lemon around the inside edge of an 8-ounce highball glass. (This is seldom done, but once tried, it cannot be omitted.) Pour in the glass 2 ounces of dry gin, add ice cubes, a slice of lime and fill glass with quinine water.

SIDECAR: Stir equal amounts of lemon juice, brandy and Cointreau. Stir, don't shake, with cracked ice. Strain in cocktail glass. Twist a peel of lemon or lime over the top. (Lemon is classic—I prefer lime.) Serve as quickly as a Manhattan or a Martini for, as in those cocktails, no ice is served in the drink, and it must be cool to be at its best.

FROZEN DAIQUIRI: Place in glass jar of blender, 2 ounces of white rum, juice of half a lime or lemon, 1 teaspoon fruit sugar. Add 1 cup of crushed ice. Cover the jar and blend 30 seconds. Add another ½ cup of crushed ice. Cover and blend again. Now, it should look like a sherbet. Pour into cocktail glass. Sip through a small straw. Delightful on a hot day or even on a cool one . . .

STINGER: Pour in a glass an ounce of brandy or good French cognac. Slowly top with an equal amount of Crème de Menthe. Do not ice or stir. The Crème de Menthe should have been refrigerated for 3 to 5 hours.

Syrup to sweeten

If you need a sweetener for making, say, Daiquiris, you can use very fine fruit sugar. However, a liquid is preferable. Here's a recipe for bar syrup: Combine 4 cups of sugar and 1 cup of water in a saucepan. Place over medium heat and stir until the sugar is completely dissolved. Reduce the heat and let syrup simmer until the liquid is very clear. Cool, pour into a well-corked bottle, keep in refrigerator until it's needed.

You can make hundreds of lovely canapés from these three bases



Canapés or snacks served at cocktail parties are related to Swedish smorgasbord, French "amuse-gueule" (hors-d'œuvres), Italian antipasto, Russian zakuska or Greek oretika. They must always have charm, be alluring to the eye, light on the stomach and tasty to the palate. They must make you want to eat more and more. They should be small morsels to eat with the fingers or with small picks. They can be very elaborate, varied and beautifully garnished, but I don't think these are for our present way of living; they involve too much work and last-minute preparation for a hostess without much help.

I think these recipes should serve only as a guide, stimulating your imagination. They are made with so many different kinds of foods that almost anytime, you can find the ingredients on your shelf.

Canapé Bases

TOASTED CANAPÉ BASES: Cut rounds, squares or fancy shapes from thin bread slices with a cooky or sandwich cutter. Or, remove the crusts and cut the pieces of bread in four. Place on broiler rack, about 3 inches from the flame. Toast on one side. Brush toasted side with melted butter. Spread appetizer mixture on untoasted side. Savory butters add flavor to canapé bases and many of them may be used, if applied liberally, without any additional canapé spread.

BUTTERED BREAD BASES: Cut bread into shapes. Sauté on one side in a little butter in a heavy skillet over very low heat. (You will find that sautéed canapé bases are more desirable than ordinary toasted bread bases. They have far more flavor than the toasted ones.)

Drain on absorbent paper. Spread plain side with spreads or butter.

Canapé bases should be spread as close to serving time as possible. Allowing them to stand ruins them. If possible, don't spread them more than ½ hour before serving time.

PUFFY CRACKER BASES: Soak tiny soda crackers in ice water for 8 minutes. Drain on absorbent paper and remove to greased cooky sheet with spatula. Brush with melted butter. Bake in 450F. oven for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 F. and allow to dry out for about 20 minutes. They should be crisp and delicately browned. You might vary these by sprinkling them with finely chopped nuts, or by mixing melted butter with a little curry powder and paprika.

COCKTAIL CRÊPES: Mix and sift ½ cup of all-purpose flour and ½ teaspoon salt. Mix 2 beaten egg yolks and 1 cup of water. Combine the two mixtures and beat until smooth. Drop on greased skillet or griddle like little pancakes. Cool and spread with desired canapé filling and roll. This amount makes about 20.

CHEESE PUFFS: Blend ¼ lb. strong Cheddar or Stilton cheese with ¼ cup of butter. Work in ½ cup sifted all-purpose flour and a dash of cayenne or bitters. Chill 2 hours or longer. Roll into balls 1 inch in diameter. Bake in 450F. oven 15 minutes. This makes about 30 Puffs.

Canapé Butters

To prepare the following savory butters, mix the ingredients with ¼ cup of creamed butter. These keep well refrigerated in a covered container. Always use soft when spreading on bases.

ANCHOVY BUTTER: 1 tablespoon anchovy paste, ½ teaspoon lemon juice. Caper butter: 1 tablespoon finely minced capers and chives. Caviar butter: 2 teaspoons caviar, ¼ teaspoon grated onion, few drops of lemon juice. Garlic butter: 1 small clove garlic, minced very fine. Roquefort butter: 1 tablespoon Roquefort cheese. Watercress butter: 2 tablespoons finely chopped watercress, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, few drops Worcestershire sauce.

Canapé Sauces

AMERICAN COCKTAIL SAUCE: mix 1½ cups ketchup, 1 tablespoon horseradish, ¼ cup lemon juice, 1 teaspoon finely chopped celery, 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, a few drops onion juice, a few drops of Tabasco and ½ teaspoon salt. Chill thoroughly.

COCKTAIL DRESSING: Mix ½ cup mayonnaise, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 tablespoon ketchup, 1 tablespoon horseradish, ¼ teaspoon paprika, 3 drops Worcestershire sauce, 2 drops Tabasco and salt to taste. Chill thoroughly.

CUCUMBER SAUCE (*for fish, seafood*): Mix ½ cup chili sauce with 1 teaspoon onion juice, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, ½ cup pared and grated cucumber, dashes of pepper, salt, Tabasco sauce.

With these canapé bases, butters and sauces, plus all of the usual sardines, tuna, seafood of all kinds, cheeses, pickles, raw vegetables, you can build hundreds of lovely canapés.

Party arithmetic

Figure on a minimum average of 3 drinks per person, 4 to be on the safe side. A 25-ounce bottle of rye, scotch or gin, will provide 16 one and a half ounce drinks or 12-13 two ounce drinks. If you're mixing Martinis or Manhattans in quantity, 32 ounces of liquor and 16 ounces of Vermouth will, with melting ice, provide about 50 ounces or 17 drinks.

Say, then, you're giving a party for 16 people and think half will drink Martinis and half highballs. You will need, roughly, 2 bottles of rye, gin or scotch; about 3 bottles of gin and about 2 of vermouth. You'll have a little left over — unless the party's too good to leave, and no one goes home.



Contemporary glassware for a cocktail party, some of it dual-purpose. Note the Martini glass — its stem keeps you from warming a drink served without ice.

Cut out Mme. Benoit's lesson along this line

How to cope with folks who stay on after the party: feed them



Often, after the cocktail party is over, we find we still have four or five guests; or, we've asked our closest friends to stay for a bite afterwards . . . and everyone's hungry. You can all go out in the kitchen and scramble eggs, but it's far more gracious to be prepared for these post-party guests ahead of time.

I have four main dishes that I make for these occasions. They're all favorites that I'm never tired of serving — nor my friends of eating, apparently. I always have one of these ready to serve, along with a salad, or sliced tomatoes or cucumbers, celery and radishes. Sometimes I begin with a hot consommé—but never a creamy or rich soup. Dessert is fruit, or cheese. Here are my four "classics."

Le Jambon Persille

This is a classical dish from Burgundy in France. It's a jellied pâté of ham, so thickly covered with parsley that the pink ham seems to be set in new cut green grass.

Place in a saucepan 5 to 8 lb. of ready-to-eat ham, boned and rolled. Add 1 can of undiluted consommé, ½ bottle of dry white wine, 2 cups of water, a veal bone (without meat), ½ cup fresh minced parsley, 1 tablespoon tarragon, 2 bay leaves, ½ teaspoon thyme, 3 small onions (cut in four), 1 clove of crushed garlic, a few peppercorns. Bring slowly to a boil and boil, covered, for 45 minutes. Remove ham from stock. Skin it. Chop the ham and the fat rather coarsely and press gently into the bottom of a glass bowl or an earthenware casserole.

Strain the stock through a fine sieve. Soak 2 envelopes of gelatin in ¼ cup of cold water for 5 minutes. Add it to the hot, strained stock and stir until it's dissolved. Cool to lukewarm and remove all the fat from the surface. Pour a small amount over the ham and refrigerate until set in a jelly (30 to 60 minutes). Flavor the rest of the stock with 2 tablespoons of brandy and add 1 full cup of finely minced parsley. Pour over the ham and allow to set in the refrigerator.

To serve, unmold this aromatically flavored ham nested in glimmering green jelly, and serve with hot French bread, Dijon mustard and a glass of red Burgundy. I think you will find it all unforgettably delicious.

Terrine Maison

A pâté, or terrine maison, is one of those mixtures that can be varied to suit one's fancy — but the following is a sort of basic pattern.

Grind, quite fine, 2 lb. each of fresh lean pork or veal or chicken or duck and 2 lb. of liver (chicken, calve's, beef or pork). I like to put my meat through the chopper two or three times, making it very fine.

Mix thoroughly or put through your electric blender 2 tablespoons each of brandy, Madeira or sherry, 2 crushed cloves of garlic, 4 sprays of parsley, 1 minced shallot, ½ teaspoon of ginger, ¼ teaspoon each of cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg, 1 teaspoon of basil, 1 tablespoon of salt, ¼ teaspoon of pepper. Add to the minced meat.

Line a casserole or terrine with strips of bacon, fill with the meat mixture, bake uncovered in a 350F. oven for 1½ hours. Then place aluminum paper on top and weight it. Chill in the refriegrator for 6 to 8 hours. Serve unmolded or from the terrine with bread or crusty rolls, sliced tomatoes and cucumber and a glass or two of chilled white wine.

Piperade

This is a famous specialty of the Basque country. It can be served hot or cold and is good both ways. It's a sort of highly flavored scrambled eggs, and it's especially popular with men.

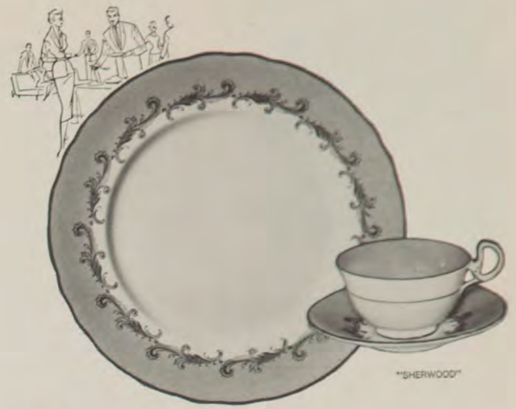
Peel 1 lb. of tomatoes and cut in small cubes. Remove the seeds and ribs of two large green peppers and cut the peppers in thin strips. Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in a skillet, toss in the vegetables, salt, pepper and cook over a low heat for about 20 mintes. Stir occasionally.

Get out a griddle or skillet and fry 4 thin slices of ham just a minute or so. Keep them warm until you need them. Put ¾ cup of dry breadcrumbs and ½ cup milk into a bowl, let soak until crumbs are soft, then squeeze out the excess liquid with your hand. Beat 6 eggs slightly and mix with the soft crumbs. Stir into vegetable mixture and cook until mixture begins to "set." Serve it on a warm platter with the ham on top. This recipe is enough for four people, even hungry ones.

Les Oeufs au Saffron

Eggs with saffron are Spanish in origin. You can prepare this recipe ahead of time and heat it when you're ready to serve.

Start your oven at 425F. or "hot." Cut 8 hard-cooked eggs in half lengthwise, remove their yolks and mash them until they're smooth. Melt 2 tablespoons of butter in a little saucepan, stir in 2 tablespoons of flour smoothly, add 1 cup milk or light cream gradually and cook, stirring constantly, until bubbly. Season with ¼ teaspoon salt. Stir *half* the sauce into the mashed yolks along with finely chopped parsley, ¼ teaspoon pepper, ¼ teaspoon salt. Stuff mixture into egg cavities, arrange in a baking dish. Stir ½ teaspoon of saffron into the remaining sauce and pour it over the tops of the eggs. Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon of bread crumbs, dot with butter, bake 8 to 10 minutes. This is for six people — along with bread, a green salad, and a glass of dry sherry or, if they prefer it, white wine. □



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Here's how to wash your dog the right way

The best way to keep your dog clean is by brushing and combing him every day. If you do, you won't need to agonize with him through frequent soap and water baths. But if you find that city smog coats your dog with the kind of gummy dirt that sticks even to you, add regular baths to his grooming schedule.

Use tepid water, and bathe the dog once every two weeks if necessary, but no oftener than that. Too much bathing dries out the dog's natural oils, leads to a scurfy skin condition and detracts from the natural beauty of his coat.

You can bathe him in a bathtub, in a big laundry tub in the basement, over a cellar drain, or outdoors. If you use a tub, leave the plug out, attach a hose to hot and cold taps, and mix the water so it's about the temperature of your skin, with a slow flow. Take an eyedropper and protect the dog's eyes from soapy water by giving him two drops of mineral oil in each eye. Make sure the oil is about the temperature of your own skin. Roll up a couple of balls of cotton batten, stuff them in the dog's ears so water will not flow into the passages. Then wet him down thoroughly, using water alone, starting at the neck and working back and down, so any fleas present will be driven away from the head toward the ground. Avoid wetting his head. Rub some soft soap or detergent over his coat, massaging lightly, then, using the hose again, take off all the soap or detergent. This is one of the most important steps: if you leave any soap on, it can cause dry, itchy skin condition, especially in long-haired dogs.

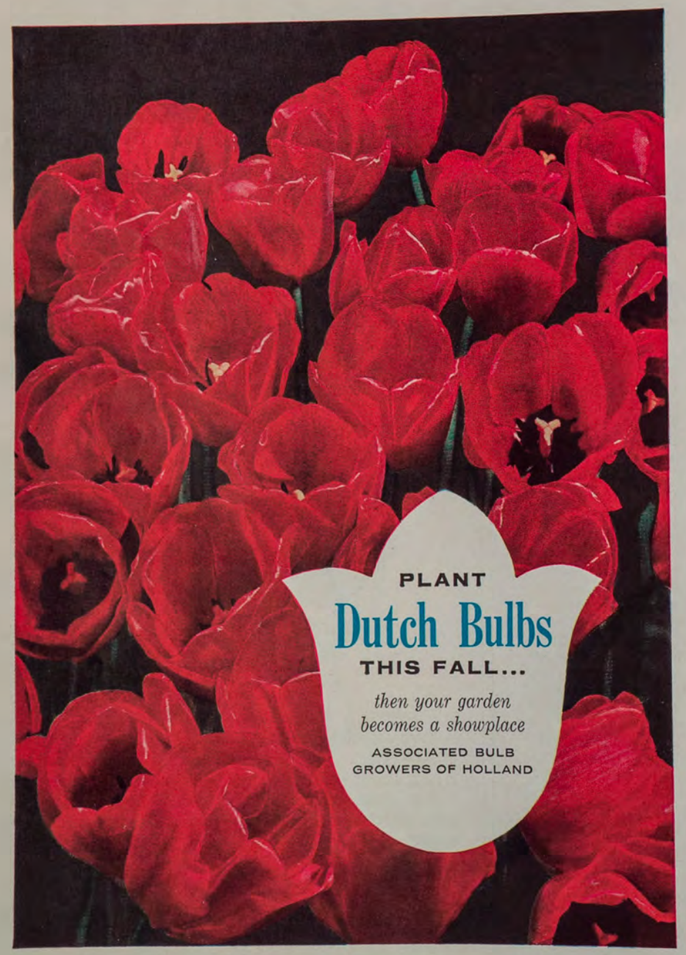
After you've rinsed him off thoroughly, wrap him in towels, dry him off as well as you can, then keep him from sitting still. If he just sits in a corner staring at you resentfully, vowing never to take another bath, don't stare him down; take him outside, unless it's well below freezing, and make him run to stay warm. Exercise is the best way to prevent his getting chilled when his coat has the unnatural wetness caused by the bath.

Washing isn't the way to rid him of skunk smell. Sluice him with tomato juice, and let the juice dry on him. Brush it out the next day, repeat the process if the dog still stinks. Never use water, because it aggravates the condition, fixing the skunky oil on the hair. You can also use gasoline or ether, but *only* if you are trained to use them, and tomato juice isn't available. The common room deodorizers containing chlorophyll are effective, too. Empty the liquid from the bottle, rub it wherever the skunk has sprayed the dog, let it dry and brush it out the next day.

For grease that won't come out with soap or detergent, you can use ether, but, again, *only* if you're trained. Otherwise, let your vet do it.

Both before and after the dog's bath, you should groom him thoroughly, taking out the matted hairs, burrs, etc. The after-bath grooming also contributes to restoring his circulation. Use a stiff brush, with a steel toothed comb that has rounded ends on the teeth and follow gently the natural growth of the hair in each stroke. A short preparatory brushing against the lay of the coat will remove loose hair. Far from fighting this daily grooming, as they may fight a bath, some dogs get to like the feel of the brush and comb so much they get that half-lidded look of pleasure in their eyes that proves, as nothing else will, that all this trouble is worth it.

CH would like to acknowledge the assistance on this article of the Honorary Veterinarian to the Canadian Kennel Club, Toronto. □



Wash without water

Recipe for a waterless bath: mix hardwood sawdust, bran, cornmeal and chalk in equal quantities, rub it all over the dog, then brush it all out firmly and gently.

He's a tenderfoot?

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HOW TO RID A HOUSE OF PESTS THAT FLY, CRAWL, WALK, JUMP

Pests usually come in to your house by invitation. Withdraw that invitation, and the pests disappear. Even a damp mop standing in a basement corner can draw certain kinds of insects: you have to be a careful housekeeper to keep out all the bugs, birds and animals that will feed, nest or breed in your house.

Commonest rodent pest is the mouse. It's been calculated that in six months, one pair of house mice eats about four pounds of food and deposits about 18,000 droppings. In that time, they also produce about 30 offspring, who add to the droppings; they in turn start breeding more mice, because they are mature within three months. So if you're going to stay ahead of the mouse in your house, you have to move fast.

Preventive measures include:

KEEP GROUND-LEVEL WINDOWS and doors tightly sealed when not in use. Use metal flashing at door bottoms, make sure doors are self-closing.

COVER OPENINGS around pipes and in foundation walls with cement or ¼-inch mesh wire screening.

KEEP CONCRETE FLOORS crack-free. Pour deep footings so mice and rats can't tunnel underneath.

ELIMINATE WEEDS near entries: prevent garbage spill-over, store all mouse-attracting materials at least 18 inches above the floor, on mouse-proof legs. These materials include human foods and nesting materials like clothing, bedding.

If you have to set traps, use an anti-coagulant such as warfarin to soak the bait. Place the traps in runways, baiting them with bacon, peanut butter, raisins or ground meat. A piece of cotton tied to the trap will also attract mice.

Rather than struggle to get one trap behind a refrigerator, place one at each corner where the fridge stands against the wall. You thus eliminate the likelihood of a dead mouse beginning to smell in your kitchen before you notice it.

You can control most common household insects by simple cleanliness. However, if you find that they are coming in regardless, the first step is to attack them with a spray killer containing DDT. Use these sprays carefully, according to the directions, because in large and concentrated quantities, they have killed people. If you find that you can't clear up the situation on your own, it's best to call in a pest exterminator. Always remember, however, that all wild life is interdependent: the skunk, for instance, commonly regarded as an unalloyed pest, actually keeps your garden free of white grubs, the larvae of the June bug—if you let him. Similarly, birds keep down the insect population round your house. Therefore, it's wise to study the habits of your pest, before you decide the best way to rid yourself of him.

An obvious example of this is the pigeon: if you have too many pigeons, a good way to get rid of them is with an unbelled cat. If you feel, however, that the cat will also threaten your songbirds, which it will, then you should withdraw your invitation to the pigeons. Do this by covering their roosting places with rust-proof ¾-inch metal mesh. Incidentally this will also keep out sparrows and starlings. Keep pigeons off ledges by covering the ledges with plenty of broken glass set in gluey substances made for the purpose. This treatment is only effective for a few weeks, however: you must repeat it fairly often, because the glue tends to dry out.

For tearing down pigeon nests, use a hook on the end of a long pole, rip down the nest every two weeks during spring and summer.

If you feel you must poison them and your local authorities agree, set the poison out in winter, when feed is scarce. Keep children and dogs away, as many bird poisons are toxic for people and animals.

If small songbirds are attracted to the bait, either shift it to another location, or use only whole corn, as the kernels are too big for birds except pigeons to swallow.

If you find that bats have entered your cottage, and started living in the attic, the only way to get rid of a small quantity of them is to wait till evening, when they're out eating mosquitoes and other pests, then plug up the holes in the eaves where they enter. If they still get in, you can call in a professional batman to kill them off. He'll come in fall, clear out the attic, spray it with poison cyanide-base gas and seal up the holes. Again, it is not well known but it's a fact that cats eat bats, if they can get at them. Weigh your love of songbirds against your hatred of bats. □

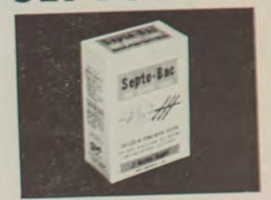
Crown-owned pests

All wild animals and birds in a state of nature belong to the Crown, but the Crown cannot be held responsible for their attacks on your property. The individual may protect his own interest by killing or trapping or diverting these Crown creatures, as long as he does not damage the public interest or his neighbors' interests. This is the only Crown prerogative we know of that limits the measures you may use.

How they come in

No matter how clean and careful you are, pests still may gain entry to your house. Here are some of the common routes they take: ● Via your shopping bags, from a dirty store; cockroaches use this route frequently. ● Via open holes near the ground or in the basement, especially if your house is near another contaminated house or factory. ● Via sources of open water accessible to rodents (sump pumps), in garbage cans left outdoors for pick-up, later brought in again. ● Via building materials carried into house during a renovation.

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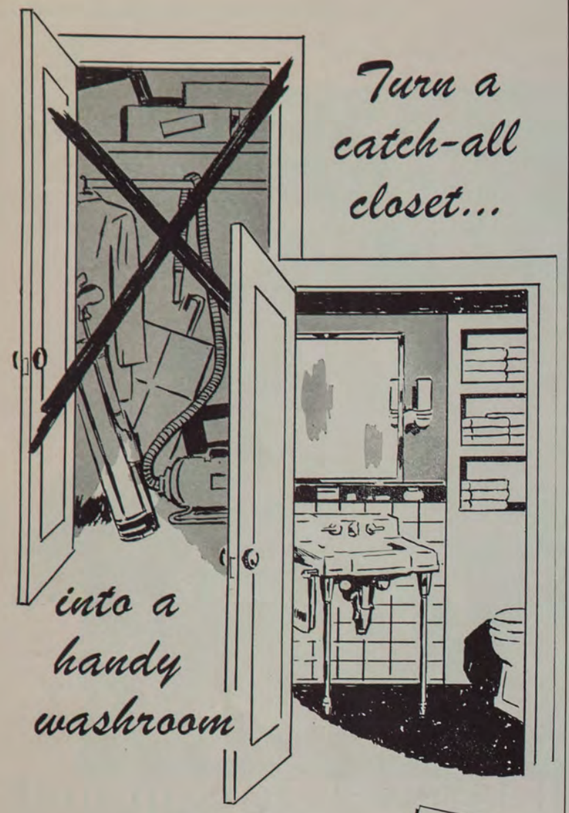
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with bare roots. These container-grown plants may cost you more; they're more convenient, however. You don't have to rush them right into the garden as soon as you get them home, if this is inconvenient to do. They can easily wait a few days until the weather is right, or you have time to do a good planting job.

Your last lawn mowing of the season comes this month. Grass growth has slowed up. But be sure to continue mowing so that no long mat of grass is left all winter. It's too late to add fertilizer, but keep leaves raked off. Your lawn mower should be cleaned now after the season's work. And you should plan to take it in for any needed repairs now, rather than next spring.

THE WEST COAST

Lawns in B.C. need care this month



John W. Neill

Frost is still unlikely in West Coast gardens this month. But frost isn't necessary for fall color in this region. Enkianthus, oxydendron, azaleas and red-berried shrubs are the highlights of the garden, while vine maple and dogwood color the countryside.

Fall planting is in full swing, and all conifers and broad-leaved evergreens may be moved now. Deciduous shrubs and trees are not yet sufficiently dormant. This is the best month to plant bulbs; try combining small bulbs such as snowdrops, grape hyacinth, crocus and even narcissus as underplanting for broad-leaved evergreens. Set out winter bedding plants now, to replace tired annuals.



Chionodoxa makes good cover.

Lawn care continues, and steady cutting is still needed. Be sure to keep leaves raked off regularly. Leaves should be composted. And keep oak leaves separate for mulching rhododendrons and other ericaceous or acid soil-loving shrubs.

October is a good month to make alterations to the lawn by lifting the turf from humps and hollows, and leveling off and improving the soil before replacing the sod. You could give your lawn a light top-dressing of screened topsoil, or compost, to which you can add bonemeal. Chrysanthemums are blooming as the month progresses. Visit your nurseryman to select varieties in bloom. *(John W. Neill is an associate professor of plant science at U.B.C.)*

THE MARITIMES

Guard trees and shrubs from winter



R. A. Fillmore

Deciduous trees and shrubs may be moved this month, as well as most other types of nursery plants, including roses. It's a good time for this work; there's invariably lots of moisture from now on until winter.

Dutch bulbs may be planted in the garden this month as well as in pots for flowering. Potted bulbs should be stored in a cool place until well rooted.

Newly planted shrubs and trees should be staked to prevent their being blown over in the soft ground before the soil freezes.

Coniferous evergreens and rhododendrons may be protected from dried out foliage to some extent if you tie coarse brush up around them. Do not wrap the plants with burlap.

In some areas, you should begin to arrange for winter protection of roses. The most effective method is a ten-inch mound of soil—preferably moved into the garden from outside. If you use soil from the garden, you may injure the roots of bushes. When well rounded, straw, hay or brush may be spread on top of the bed. I don't advise any pruning of roses in the fall. Tender climbing roses may be wrapped with coarse brush to offset drying effects of winter wind and sun.

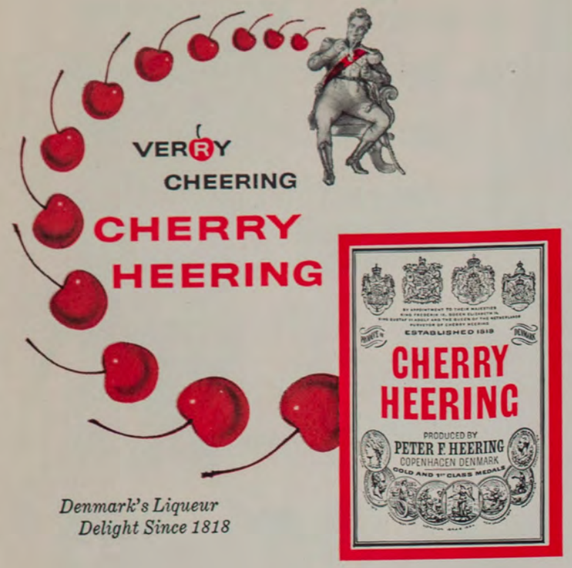
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Protect your smaller trees with stakes.

Late in the month, a mulch should be placed on your border and rockery. This may be of brush, or coarse hay and brush, to protect against wind-burning. Many of our perennials will winter without protection, but there may be danger of frost heaving. There are other plants, also, which carry a green crown of leaves throughout winter, and these may be dried out and destroyed by the winter winds and sun if you do not protect the plant.

Your annuals will have been frozen down in most cases. Clean up the rubbish and add it to the compost. Then spade your beds, working in manure, peat moss, compost. If your beds are clayey, mound them toward the centre. *(R. A. Fillmore, a Maritimer, has written three books on gardening.)*

OTTAWA-MONTREAL

Mound roses before ground hardens



R. W. Oliver

At Ottawa, perennial borders are cut down after the middle of the month. Chrysanthemums, however, come through the winter better if their tops are left on to hold a covering snow. If the tops are cut off, it also encourages new growth that is easily killed by frost.

Roses need to have the earth mounded up around them this month. It is easier to do now than to leave the task until November when ground is frozen. Climbers should be taken off the trellis and tied in loose bundles ready for further protection when the weather gets really cold. If packing or covers are put on too early, the sun's heat on the dark covers may start plants growing again, or field mice may hibernate.



'Mums winter well with tops left on.

(R. W. Oliver is Chief, Ornamentals, Cent'l Exper'tal F'm, Ottawa.)

THE PRAIRIES

Native shrubs take on bright colors



F. L. Skinner

Although, at the present time, we can't grow the scarlet oaks and maples that color the eastern provinces in October, our Prairie gardens needn't be devoid of color for this month.

The Schubert cherry will still be clad in its deep purple leaves, selected forms of the ginnala and Amur maple will be as brilliant a scarlet as any eastern maple, and some of our native shrubs such as the pincherry and *Viburnum pubescens* turn bright colors before the leaves fall.

In an ordinary year, the herbaceous border will still be colorful with the hardier chrysanthemums until the middle of the month. The Michaelmas daisies that have been blooming since September will still be very colorful for a week or ten days longer. Care should be taken, however, to plant only varieties that have been bred for our conditions; consult your local nurseryman or other authority regarding varieties that do well in your district.

If you do not have a compost heap, now is a good time to start one in some secluded corner of the garden where vegetable refuse and fallen leaves can be allowed to decompose until ready to apply to the garden. The compost heap is becoming more important to gardeners as well-rotted manure becomes more difficult to obtain.

All diseased or insect-harboring dead stems should be collected and burned. But do not trim up the herbaceous border too much. The dead stems of lilies, peonies, delphiniums etc., help to hold the snow cover—the best protection you can give such plants.

Trees and shrubs that you want for early spring planting should be ordered so they'll arrive just before freeze-up. Then you can heel them in for winter, so they'll be on hand for planting as soon as the ground is fit to work.



Clean up borders after first frost.

(F. L. Skinner of Dropmore, Man., is a developer of hardy plants.)

This may be news to you...

To give your plants—especially foliage plants and vines—a quick boost, you can use a readily available nitrogen fertilizer—household ammonia. Use a solution in water of one teaspoonful to a quart of water at room temperature. If you apply this twice a month it will give ferns a real boost, and you'll notice a difference in your other house plants, too. But remember that this is not a balanced fertilizer but a booster solution. Your plants will still need applications of well-balanced water soluble plant food, especially if they have not been repotted recently.

A good way to remember when you should add fertilizer solution, either the ammonia or a balanced one, is to set a date. If you always put fertilizer on your plants on, say, the first and fifteenth of the month, you have only to check that date to see when you should do it again. If you write the date down on a calendar, it will make this chore easier to remember.

FROM MY GARDEN SCRAPBOOK

By Thelma Boucher

My blue alpine gentian flowers at last!



The gorgeous wayside asters and goldenrods are always a feature of Ontario autumn color, and a recent book, *Using Wayside Plants* by Nelson Coon (Hearthside Press, $4.50), will be very useful to lovers of such plants. This book deals with many locations in the United States that are not comparable with any in Canada, but many plants mentioned in the book are familiar to us. I was interested in the author's reference to the coagulant quality of nettle juice, which in Europe has been used as a rennet to thicken milk. I'm always hoping that someone will give me an explanation that will tell me why nettles are reputed to be beneficial in a compost pile.

The triumph of my gardening career has been the flowering of my *Gentiana acaulis*. I referred to the plant in this column at least seven years ago and have mentioned it fondly on several occasions since, but at last can show its performance. I'm really proud of its flowering in a well-known limestone area. I'd like to give some of the reasons why I think it did produce a handsome flower of the exquisite gentian blue this past May. As I cut up pine cones and oak leaves to make a little protective winter mulch, I think of all the acid-types of leaf mold and peat moss I have been giving my plant for years. I built up a small granite scree for it. I shudder to think that its perpendicular base is a great hunk of limestone; however, the gentian is growing in as much granite as I could muster around it, in addition to the peat-rich remains of five balls of roots from ancient azaleas, added as they outlived their usefulness for Christmas bloom. Their woody stalks and branches I broke up and added to the mulch



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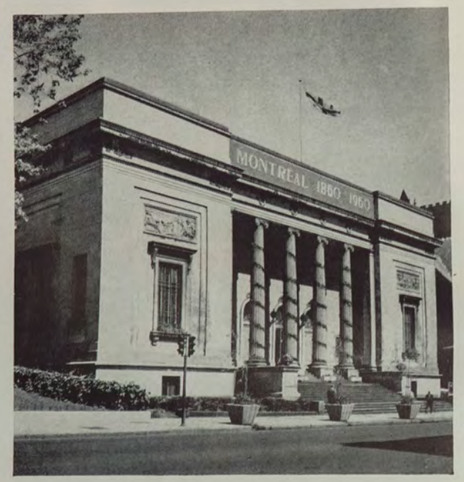
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around the plant. All this I've been doing for years, and the plant has thrived, but this year I thought of another factor in the habitat of this alpine plant. That was the sudden spring it would have had in its native Switzerland — so as soon as I could get through the snow to my plant, I put a good classic cloche over the whole plant. This brought the plant along more rapidly than our cool weather would have done; thus it was able to flower before our climate became too hot and dry which it does so suddenly. Anyway, some combination of favorable factors gave us the gentian flower at last, and it was worth waiting for. One friend accused me of using ice cubes in lieu of a glacier! Now I want to try other varieties, although I'll admit that this is the most gorgeous of the blue alpine gentians.

I've brought *Gynura aurantiaca* into the house. Mindful of its homeland, Java, I figured it wouldn't enjoy a visit from Jack Frost. I tend to leave plants out till the very last second, though, and I don't keep them too warm indoors. Then they seem to be less prone to attack from insect pests like the white fly. The purple velvet tree, that's *Gynura,* is really a very pretty window sill plant. In its native habitat it may even be a very elegant tree; maybe I can see one some day. *Gynura* likes moisture and sun, just as you'd expect when it comes from Java, so a place on a south window seems preferable. My efforts with plants like this velvet plant and the gentians, where some knowledge of native habitat does assist in their successful cultivation, reminds me of the lady in New York, who had a prize-winning collection of cacti. When she was asked how she managed this display, she explained that she'd bought the plants in El Paso and since had subscribed to an El Paso paper so she could tell what the weather was like there and would know how to water the plants.

I must put my thoughts now on purple tulips — it's planting time for bulbs again. Each autumn I seem to start so late that the last bulbs are left to plant the following spring, which isn't good garden practice at all. Columbine seeds itself all over my garden and I find its foliage very useful with all kinds of bouquets, starting with arrangements made with early spring bulb flowers. Then I can leave their foliage alone.



Alpine gentian needs patience.

Blue jays are beginning to take an interest in the feeding station again. They look beautiful along with the Heavenly Blue morning glories that twine up and around the feeder in the summer months; the morning glories now come into their best flowering period — about in time for Jack Frost to pick them. I can sometimes have a touch of yellow in this picture, too, by cutting out the central flower head of a tall sunflower plant and allowing the side branches to develop and flower. My favorite blue, yellow and white color scheme can be carried out in various ways; this is just one of them.

Alpine and Iceland poppies have made bright color in my garden this season and have kept on blooming and seeding. They could in fact, be a weedy menace if I didn't keep them pulled out, but it's friendly of them to like our place. The European escapee, knapweed, *Centaurea nigra,* has flowered along a good stretch of highway and lakeshore not far from us. It makes pretty bloom after its cousin, the blue cornflower, has gone to seed. It's a meadow plant in Europe and has become naturalized in sections of Canada. Annual larkspur in my garden seemed to have more white and pink blossoms than the blue that I was expecting. Another year, some other plants claim our attention. The weather may suit them, their seed may be better, or their habitat more congenial. It all makes gardening a lot of pleasure, good fun and good exercise.

(Thelma Boucher, long-time habit of our readers, seen often on TV.)

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By Barbara and Leslie Laking

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Evergreen trees for year-round pleasure are frequently on our gardeners' "wanted" list. Blue spruce is the tree most sought after for this purpose, but those who have become thoroughly familiar with silver fir, our selection for this month, are very, and rightfully, enthusiastic about it.

Abies concolor, native to Colorado, New Mexico and parts of Southern California, is the finest ornamental evergreen tree among North American natives. Many horticulturists consider it one of the most beautiful of all coniferous evergreen trees. It has a remarkable hardiness range, as evidenced by the broad climate variation in its native area. But its hardiness as an ornamental in Canada is not quite as elastic as we would like.

It grows very successfully in Southern Ontario and, except for unusually severe winters, is satisfactory at Ottawa if given shelter from prevailing winds. It has proved hardy at Kentville, N.S., at Prince Edward Island and throughout most of British Columbia.

The true firs, those belonging to genus Abies, are often confused with spruces. They can be distinguished in a number of ways, but most easily if there are cones on the tree. Spruce cones hang down while those of the fir are carried erect. Even when the fir cones break apart, the centre stem of the cone remains attached to the branch, pointing upwards. Firs are much softer than spruces when you brush against them; their needles are not so stiff.



Branches grow out in horizontal tiers.

Silver fir is a conical tree of great beauty. In its natural haunts, it may be from 80 to 100 feet at maturity. As an ornamental tree in Eastern Canada, it can be expected to grow to a height of about 60 feet.

The main branches rising in whorls from the trunk form handsome horizontal tiers. Symmetry is usually well developed.

Abies concolor has one happy cultural asset — it withstands heat and drought with notable success. For example, a group planted in a very droughty, gravelly location, near the Rock Garden in the Royal Botanical Gardens at Hamilton has developed well. The rate of growth here is less than the average 18 inches per year, because of lack of food and moisture; nevertheless, the specimens are beautiful, their branches sweep the ground and remain fully clothed with needles. In this poor soil they have now reached approximately 24 feet in 25 years. In another, better location, specimens from the same seed lot have reached 30 feet in the same period.

Silver firs are generally grown from seed — hence their variations in color and such physical attributes as branch density are bound to happen. One especially blue form is propagated by grafting and is available under the name *Abies concolor violacea*.

The color of the leaves varies considerably from silvery green to blue. And when new growth is still lush, its color is particularly pleasing in its pale freshness. The leaves of silver fir are much longer than those of our native balsam and more ornamental.

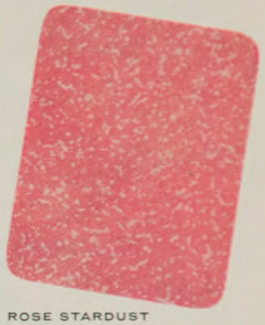
The silver fir is essentially a specimen tree that provides form and color interest throughout the four seasons. Where space is not at a premium, it may be used to excellent advantage for boundary screening. Used with other evergreens, it makes good color contrast, particularly against the deeper green of trees like the Austrian pine.

(Mr. Laking is director of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton.)



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REAL BARGAIN IN BULBS? BETTER COMPARE FIRST

by Jane E. Little

Spring-flowering bulbs are among the most important flowers in many Canadian gardens. Daffodils and tulips head the list in popularity, but many of the smaller bulbs are widely planted, too. Fall is planting time for the hardy ones, and every fall gardeners are deluged with advertising for them. Most appealing to many of us are the "bargains"—where an investment of a dollar or two promises to bring you a lot of flowers.

But will it? You should think about this; companies that sell bulbs this way depend on a volume business, and the bulbs you get may not be what you expect. Most, for instance, are tiny compared with top-quality bulbs and significantly so.

It costs a grower money to raise his bulb stock to prime size, where the bulbs are fat and healthy, ready to flower well the spring after they are planted and again and again after that. If the bulbs are marketed when they're small, you'll have to grow them to flowering size in your own garden. Your own growing conditions may not be ideal, and most of the small bulbs you plant will be unsatisfactory for display. So your initial saving in dollars must be made up for in the continuing care the bulbs need to reach effective flowering size.

How can you tell when bulbs are too small? There are two clues. One is the *circumference* of the bulb. This may be given in an advertisement as, say, three inches. The unwary gardener reads this as *diameter*. And there's quite a difference. A tulip bulb three inches in diameter has a circumference of over nine inches—it's a big bulb. But a bulb with a circumference of three inches has about a one-inch diameter—it's, clearly, very small. These two little words are worth being alert about.

The second clue is price. Expensive bulbs are not necessarily the best, but within reason, price is an indication of quality. Darwin tulips of top quality cost about seven and a half

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Four sets of bulbs, each $1. The big daffodils (right, above) and the big tulips (below, right) are a safer buy, though you get fewer for your dollar.





Diameter's different

Watch "diameter" and "circumference" in bulb ads: right, bulb with 3 in. circumference, only 1 in. diameter; left, large bulb has 2 in. diameter.



Try counting noses

Above right, large daffodil bulb has several "noses"; each will produce a flower next spring. Small bulb has only one, may not flower for years.

How to keep dust off the leaves of your foliage plants

One of the problems of keeping house plants looking their best is how to keep the leaves clean and dust free. Many indoor gardeners wish there was a magic formula to do away with dusting the leaves of philodendrons and other foliage plants, but there really isn't. But there are a few tricks that you can use to make the job a little easier. You can buy, either in aerosol form or in a bottle, special polishes for plant leaves that give them a soft gloss, but do not hurt the leaves. These polishes are not for plants with hairy leaves, like the African violet. Water your plants well first, at least an hour before putting on the polish, so the plant tissues will be moist when you apply the polish. *Don't* apply polish to the undersides of the leaves.

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SHOW OFF TULIPS WITH FLOWERING GROUND COVER

by Jane E. Little

Few plants rival tulips for brilliant effect, but tulips flowering in borders and beds need contrast to show off their tall stateliness. Flowering ground covers provide just such contrast and hide tulip foliage after the blossoms are gone. Examples like forget-me-nots, arabis and creeping phlox go on blooming after your tulips are gone, too.

What plants can you use for your flowering ground cover? Any low-growing flowering plant that's in bloom when your tulips are and that can be massed around the bulbs. This includes the smaller flowering bulbs. Choose your ground-cover flowers to complement or contrast with your tulips. Or try some of the combinations shown below.

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Soft blue forget-me-nots combine with white Pax tulips for delicate pastel effect; forget-me nots will conceal the tulip foliage as it fades.



Deep blue-purple of grape hyacinths planted as ground cover provides lively color contrast and variety of form between ruffled double yellow tulips.



White-flowered arabis can make a sedate background for many different shades of tulips or, provide foil for yellow cottage tulip Mother's Day.



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A border of delicately mauve-pink creeping phlox frames orange-toned tulip Prince of Austria planted along with yellow variety, General DeWet.



A small lively wilderness of pansies and forget-me-nots is pierced by the tall foliage of tulips planted in a mixed border of many different shades.



Pale blue stars of chionodoxa in bloom make a serene backdrop for Indian yellow Stresa waterlily tulips; scillas or grape hyacinths might be used.



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HOW TO CHOP YOUR LEAVES TO MAKE FOOD FOR YOUR GARDEN

By Walter Young

When you burn those leaves on your lawn this month and next, you're throwing out the baby with the bathwater, because the leaves contain a potentially excellent garden food. Instead of destroying the leaves, rake them into one big pile, pick the stones and branches out of it, then chop them fine with a rotary power mower. Starting at the edge of the pile, lower the mower down into the leaves, pulverizing as you go. Take it slow and easy to avoid stalling the engine as you work your way around the pile and in toward the centre. While a mulching attachment will speed things up, it's by no means essential; the job doesn't take long anyway, and you'll soon discover that it really is fun.

Your mower will have a scattering effect as it chops, so when you finish, rake everything together again. Then repeat the operation. After the second time through you'll have a fine grind of perhaps only a tenth of the original bulk. In this condition the leaves will hold water better and break down faster in the compost pile; when they're wet, they won't blow, and they won't mat up.

The next step is to build your compost pile. After spreading a six-inch layer of pulverized leaves, sprinkle on a handful of bacterial activator, which is available at your nursery. This material is used in small quantities to speed up decomposition. Then add a sprinkling of commercial fertilizer, superphosphate, or lime; your nurseryman will tell you which of these is best for your area. Put another six-inch layer on top of the first one, and repeat the process until your pile is complete. Make the top somewhat concave to help hold water, and then wet it all down with the hose. If it's not in a sheltered location, cover it with a thin plastic sheet weighted with stones and well-perforated to let in the rain. To keep tree roots out, spread unperforated plastic below the pile.

For best results don't use this material in your garden until the second spring following; decomposition is slow in winter, and the first year it doesn't really get going before cold weather sets in. If you have two piles started in alternate years, you will always have one to draw from. They're not ugly, but you can easily screen them with shrubs or dig a pit.



Make pile concave so water seeps in.

During a dry summer, it's a good idea to water the piles now and then. And turning them over at least once with a fork helps the breakdown.

This compost recipe has several benefits. It has little odor, and even that is a pleasant, greenhousey one. It doesn't attract insects or rodents, and although you might expect field mice to use the pile for a home, I have never found any during the many years our backyard has had two such piles; perhaps the chemicals, leaching through, can take credit for this.

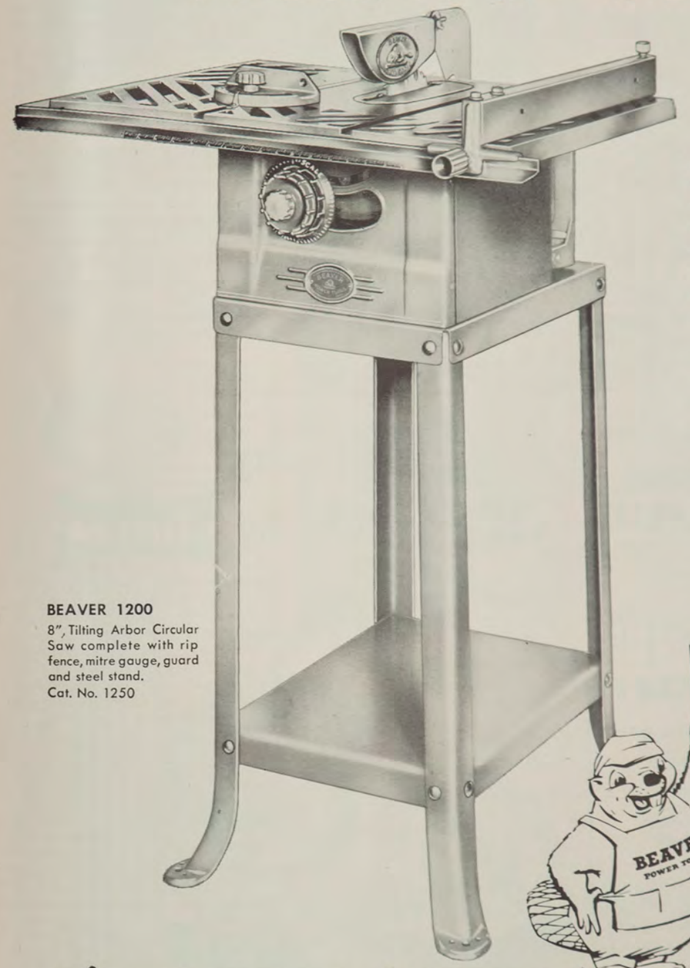
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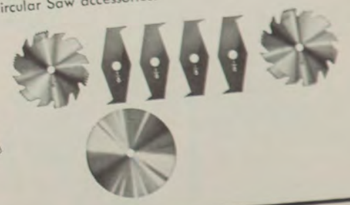
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The washroom itself has a built-in unit at the window end, with a round wash basin and gold-plated faucets. Towel hangers are Victorian. □

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HOW TO STORE YOUR MOWER DURING WINTER

When the season's last lawn mowing is done, your mower is ready for a well-deserved rest. So are you for that matter. But before storing the mower for the winter, do the following things to leave it in the best condition for next season. You can, of course, have a serviceman do it for you, if you can't find a couple of hours to spare on a fall weekend afternoon.

- Remove all fuel from the gas tank, carburetor and gas line by letting the engine run until it runs dry.

- Remove the carburetor and clean it in a grease solvent, such as gasoline, then blow it dry. Do not dry carburetor parts with a cloth because lint may stick to them and impede gas flow in the reassembled carburetor. Be sure all particles of gaskets are removed from gasketed surfaces. Dissolve all gummy deposits with alcohol, particularly in the float bowl and on needle valves. Use new gaskets when reassembling carburetor.

- Remove the spark plug and pour about a tablespoon of clean oil through the opening. Turn the flywheel slowly to distribute oil on the walls of the cylinders and pistons.

- Clean spark plug and replace. Install a new plug if the present one is cracked, broken or badly burned. A carboned plug — easily recognized by a black, damp and sooty condition — should be cleaned on a spark plug cleaner. Check your manufacturer or dealer for the proper gap.

- Check the mower blade. A bent blade may cause vibration and loss of power. Before checking the blade, disconnect the spark plug wire. Turn the mower over and place a straight edge across the bottom of the housing. Rotate the blade until one end strikes the straight edge and mark the point of contact. Rotate the blade again until the other end strikes the straight edge and mark the contact point. If the marks are not within approximately ⅛ of an inch of each other, remove blade and straighten it.

- Clean the engine and housing. Grass sometimes accumulates on flywheel cooling fans. It is not necessary to clean off each blade of grass, but before putting the mower away, remove any accumulation of grass and dirt from fans and from cylinder cooling fans, if any is present. Hose off the engine and housing with a garden hose, taking care not to force the stream directly into the air filter.

- If the wheel bearings are clogged with dirt, remove the wheels and wash out the bearings with solvent. Re-oil the bearings and reassemble the wheels on the mower.

- Wrap the mower in a piece of canvas, old blanket or heavy paper and store in a dry place. You can even hang it up out of the way during the winter in the garage or basement □

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To clean under low, heavy furniture such as a piano or bookcase, simply wrap a length of oil-treated cheesecloth around a yardstick or a long piece of flat wood. The cheesecloth will pick up most of the dust and fluff which has gathered there without your straining to move the furniture.—William Swallow. □



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TALKS ABOUT ANTIQUES

Jeanne Minhinnick, CH's antique expert whose column "Time Was" appears in the front of the magazine each month, will also appear in this column from time to time to answer readers' questions about antiques. If you are looking for information on a piece you've acquired, Mrs. Minhinnick will be glad to try and help. Please send your questions to her, Canadian Homes, 481 University Avenue, Toronto.

Q. *I have a very old rocker, a "Boston" rocker I believe, but I'm a bit confused. The arms of the rockers are different in the two photographs from*



An early Boston rocker, it's defined by unpainted arms, bar across spindles.



This rocker is a later version (1865 to 1880) of the Boston rocker above.

The House A Rocker Built (March 1960). Are both Boston rockers? Mine has arms like the rocker at the bottom. Which kind of rocker is the older? — MRS. C. A. HAMES, FORT SASKATOON, ALTA.

A. The picture at the top shows the earlier type of Boston rocker; on it, the arm was usually a polished hardwood, either cherry or maple as a rule, and the arm rest was left unpainted. The bar at the back of the seat joined to the seat is also an early feature.

The other rocker is later (about 1865 or 1880), but is called a Boston rocker, too. The only definition one can really make about a Boston rocker is that the back spindles are placed in a curve to fit the back. This was a new concept when they were first made. The very early rocker (18th century) was simply a straight ladder-backed chair with short stubby rockers added. Sometimes, but not always, an older chair can be recognized by the shortness and thickness of its rocker.

Q. *We have, in our basement, three old chairs which my husband tells me were hand-carved by some of his ancestors. They have a bottom in them woven of some kind of bark. Can you tell us where we could have this replaced?*

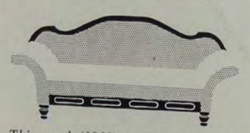
We also have an old family Bible which is dated 1853, published by Phinney & Co., Buffalo. It contains the Apocrypha and is quite thick, about 6 in.; are they worth very much, or are they common? We have a friend wanting to find one. — MRS. JOHN KNOX, AYR, ONT.

A. Your chair seats are probably elm bark, the most commonly used material for early chairs in Ontario. The only people I know who re-do chairs with elm bark today are Indians who seem to have inherited the art. I have had some done in Prince Edward County. It must be done in the Spring. I have taken the chairs, left them for weeks, and got them back whenever the craftsman is ready. Sometimes he doesn't work that year. I have heard of other Indians on the Quebec border who do it, but haven't investigated. You might inquire in your own neighbourhood, but I am afraid you will have great difficulty in finding anyone to do the work.

Your family bible is not a rarity. The place to find one is at a county auction sale, where the owners have died — that's when they come onto the market. I have seen them many times at country auction sales in Eastern Ontario.

Q. *Could you tell me the approximate age and origin of the settee in the sketch? It came from my father's home near Renfrew and was, I believe, made in the district. The finished wood is chiefly walnut; the legs and the wood behind the open panels at the front may be pine. The nails in the settee are square-shanked and have irregular oblong heads. Another fact that might help is that numbers are carved on the wood. Some are Roman numerals, some arabic; some are on the underside of the wood, some in plain view. They seem to follow no pattern whatsoever. Could they be the identifiable marks of a cabinet maker?*—DON SPARLING, OTTAWA.

A. This is a fairly easily recognized style. It seems to have developed from an earlier style referred to as "Serpentine back" which was made between



This couch (1860) developed from the "Serpentine back" couch (1840-1855).

1840 and 1855. In your couch the arms are more boldly turned outward, the back rail of wood is less "serpentined," the feet, instead of being bracketed in

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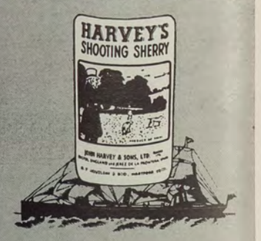
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the early style, are turned. The inset panels on the wood across the bottom front are always found in later examples.

I should think your sofa was circa 1860. The nails you describe would still have been in use, the numerals are those used in a cabinet-making establishment for the convenience of the cabinet maker who assembled parts which were made in quantity. Very few Canadian cabinet makers marked their products. It is a nice simple couch, bound to increase in value as time goes on.

Q. *At an auction sale the other day, I bought four chairs, which went with a captain's chair. Today I worked on the seat of one, and was so disappointed to find that the last layer was dark red. It does not seem to be varnish, but rather a combination of paste and dye. The paint remover has very little effect on it. Can you tell me how to remove this red color? This is my first attempt at buying antiques.* — H. F., R.R. 1, COPETOWN, ONT.

A. Unfortunately for you, most Early Ontario chairs were either first painted red or given a red filler stain and then painted over that. You can try wiping it with a rag saturated in javelle water (outdoors), or putting on a paste of oxalic acid which you get in the drug store in powder form. You must wear rubber gloves for either of these operations, and you must wash the chair with lots of soap and water afterward.

You can scrape the whole chair with broken pieces of glass . . . this is often done by furniture dealers . . . and then sand it, first with garnet paper then with sandpaper. If you do manage to get the chair clean enough to suit you, you could rub in boiled linseed oil and turpentine mixed in equal parts. This will give a soft, light durable finish.

Q. *I have just returned from one of my frequent visits to Colonial Williamsburg and feel your effort to restore Upper Canada Village is a great service to our people. I am interested in a small personal way in Early Canadian furnishing . . . is there any way I might render a service?* — GLADYS GALE BROWNELL, 24 BRULE CRESCENT, TORONTO.

A. It is very kind of you to write a note of encouragement to me. You can be of great help simply by keeping your eyes and ears open when you see and hear of people about to discard old things. Often one's friends say, "We have to move and I have to get rid of all this old stuff" — and that's when it's a good idea to pounce and say, "Write to Upper Canada Village."

I, too, have just returned from Williammsburg. There is no comparison between us and them, of course. We do have a 30-acre Village containing a great number of buildings and gardens, including a saw-mill and a woolen mill. The most fascinating thing about it, to me, is that it looks Canadian. It has no resemblance whatever to American outdoor museum villages. We have progressed enough for me to judge that we shall have a unique restoration. I do hope that you will see it and enjoy it next year. It is planned to open Upper Canada Village to the public July 1, 1961. □

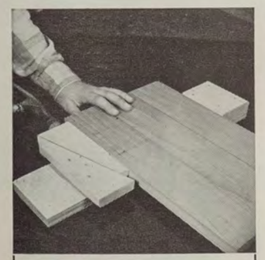
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idea *Use scrap wood for vise*

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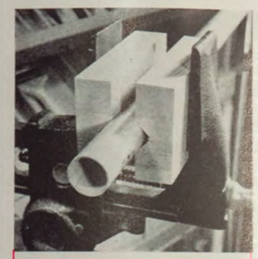
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idea *Device to hold tubing in vise*

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idea *For a "cheep" tie rack*

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the cells in the concrete like honey in a comb. Once into the cells the resins harden, giving you a second floor "inside" the first. Marketed under various trade names, these products give you a surface that can be tiled on later if you like, without resurfacing work.

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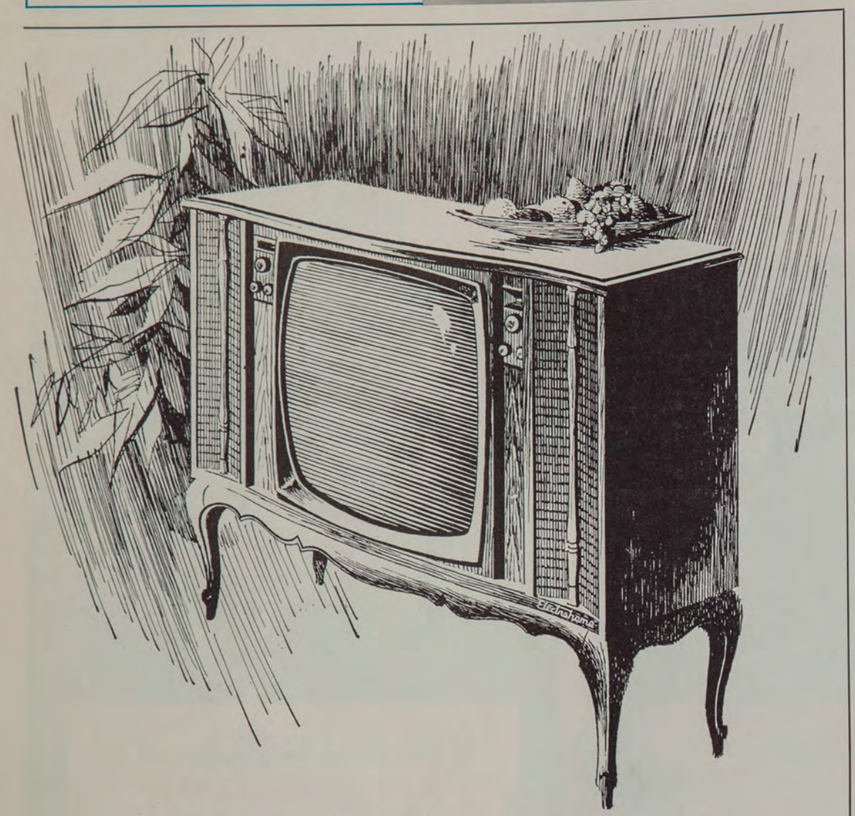
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When you paint your floor, it should be absolutely dry. Don't paint it if water tends to penetrate it from below. Paint can be blistered and ruined simply by warm moisture-laden air settling on it from above, so keep the cellar dry. And don't paint new concrete until it's had a chance to season and become chemically neutral. Make sure the floor is clean, and take off all excess oil or grease with gasoline or naphtha. □



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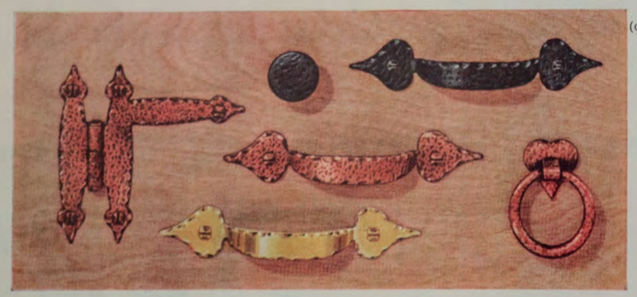
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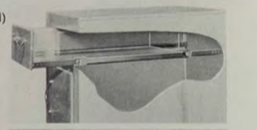


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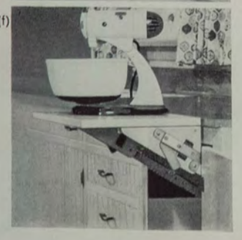
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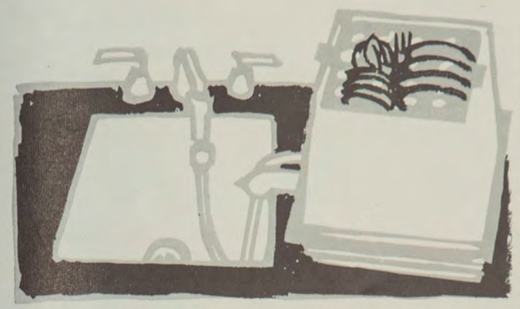
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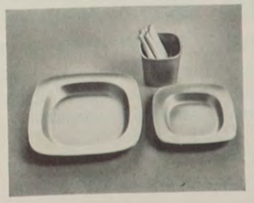


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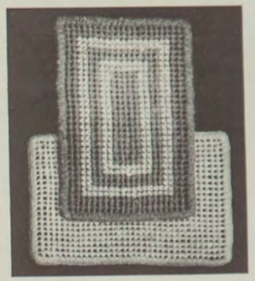
Pewter, as you must know by now, needs no polishing: you just wash it in suds and lukewarm water. The large ashtray costs $8.50; the small one $5.25. The cigarette cup is $5.75. Jensen's, 95A Bloor St., Toronto.



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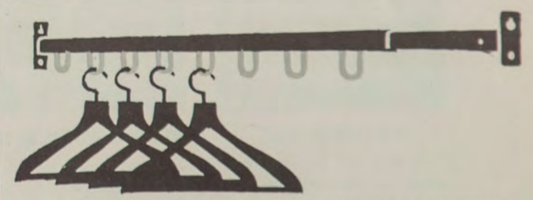






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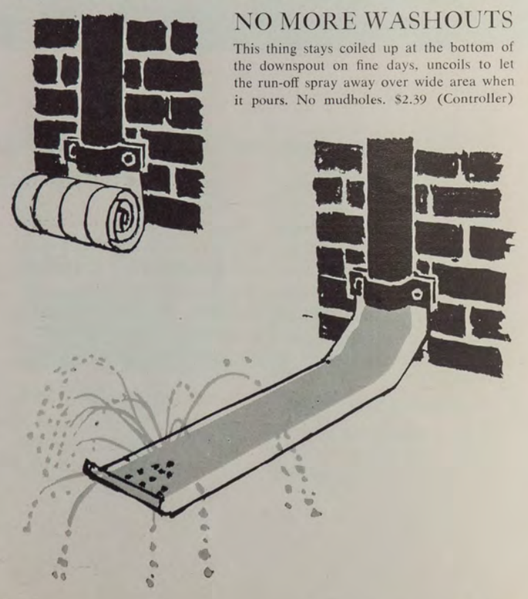
Colored Danish lamps

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Q: *In the home we just bought, the living room is paneled in dark oak (probably stained) that has discolored over the years. We would like to lighten the wood without painting it to produce a natural finish. How can we do it?* — MISS GRACE COUTTS, WINDSOR, ONT.

A: Decorating Editor Margit Bennett says that your problem of how to lighten dark oak paneling is a rather controversial one. Some people have worked with varnish remover and bleach to get the desired result, and found it time and temper consuming. Their advice is to paint it. However, in case you want to try it, the procedure goes like this: Use varnish remover to get all the finish off completely. Full directions for use will be on the varnish remover container. Next, use a bleach — you might have to use more than one application of the bleach to get the wood the color you want it. Then wax the paneling (or rub it thoroughly first with a light stain if you prefer).

Can CH help you?

Do you have a household problem that needs solving? A room that needs decorating, or a stubborn plant that refuses to bloom? If so, we will be glad to help you. Write to: Canadian Homes, 481 University Ave., Toronto.

Q: *I recently moved into a new house, and on our lot there are a number of conifer trees. With the grading, it means that several of the trees have had fill placed around them to a depth of 18-24 inches above the original ground level. I understand that this is likely to harm the trees, and that stones should be placed around the base of the trunk to allow the trees to breathe. I would like to know if this is correct, and if so, how should I lay the stones?* — MR. P. R. BRISTER, PORT COLBORNE, ONT.

A: Gardening Editor Jane E. Little says that you are quite right, that filling to any depth over an inch or so around the base of large trees will smother them and eventually kill them. One way to get around the problem is to build a tree well around each tree. The well is made so that the base of the well is at the original ground level and the walls of stones come up to the height of fill around the trees. The walls are made with stones placed in a circle three or four feet from the base of the tree. This allows the trunk to expand and air to get all the way down the trunk to the original ground level. If you have many trees and this seems like a

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If you still think of wall paneling as a luxury you would like but can't afford, you're in for a surprise. Betty Jennings, staff designer for Weldwood Plywood, reports that many new kinds of hardwood veneer paneling have been created in the last few years — with costs as low as $20 for a 12'x8' wall.

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Q: *On a recent trip to Quebec City, my husband and I ordered a dessert called Saboyan, in several restaurants, and found it to be very unusual and delicious. Could Madame Benoit please give me the recipe for this, if it isn't too difficult to make at home? —Mrs. D. Dogherty, Roxboro, Que.*

A: Madame Benoit says that Saboyan, a famous Italian dessert, is indeed very special. Here is her recipe for it:

Saboyan

INGREDIENTS: (serves 6) 6 egg yolks; ½ lb. powdered sugar; 2 cups dry sherry, Marsala or Maderia; enough ladyfingers for six portions.

Beat egg yolks with powdered sugar until smooth and creamy. Add 2 cups wine, a little at a time. Continue to beat until well blended. Pour entire mixture into top of large boiler and heat over boiling water. Beat continuously with wire hand whisk until sauce is light, foamy and warm (sauce should rise 3-4 times the original height). When sufficiently beaten, sauce will be firm and frothy enough to hold its shape. Serve warm in champagne glasses with ladyfingers. □

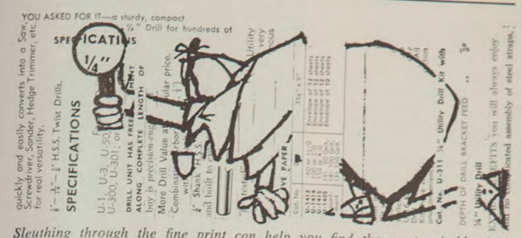
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SERVICE CENTRE (page 77): *Dishwasher,* Maxwell Ltd., St. Marys, Ont. *Stereo atlas,* The Setann Co., Ltd., 156 Evans Ave., Toronto 18. *Birdcage,* China Temple, 88 Bloor St. W., Toronto. *Doormats,* Shelagh's of Canada Ltd., 116 Bloor St. W., Toronto. *Timer,* Marr Electric Ltd., 160 Perth Ave., Toronto. *Closet bar,* Stanley Hardware Division of The Stanley Works of Canada, Ltd., Imperial St., Hamilton. SERVICE CENTRE (page 80): *Talk,* Kitchener Electronic Industries, 139 Dundas St., Kitchener, Ont. *Coffee pot,* Unique Gifts, 693 Bay St., Toronto. *Controller,* Aikenhead Hardware Ltd., 17 Temperance St., Toronto.

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THE SERVICE CENTRE'S GUIDE TO BETTER BUYING FOR BETTER CANADIAN LIVING



Sleuthing through the fine print can help you find the most suitable drill.

Handiest power tool of all

By Vince McNamara

The ¼-inch portable electric drill is the first tool most family handymen buy. This powerful little tool supplies the extra muscle to take the hard work out of more work than any other tool you may buy. Fitted with the many and varied attachments designed for it, it's probably the most versatile portable tool available. The many brands, types, and prices, however, can lead to confusion when it comes to choosing the drill you want to buy. Some pointers will help you select the drill that suits you best.

There are three types of drills from which you can make your selection: light, medium or heavy duty.

Light duty drills are fine for the occasional sanding, drilling, and polishing jobs. If you aren't going to use it too much this is the one for you.

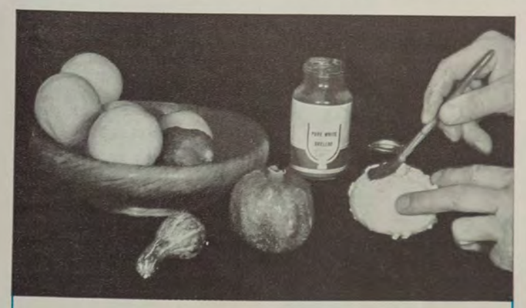
Equipped with more powerful motors, a medium duty drill will work better with accessories, and for heavier work such as sawing and grinding. For constant use, for carpentry or cabinet work around the house, this is your best choice.

Heavy-duty drills, sometimes called industrial drills, are designed for almost continuous work. If your plans call for this type of operation, or for very heavy carpentry work such as this, this is the drill you'll need.

Before you decide on the drill you want, you should estimate the type of work for which the drill will be most often used. Remember that a heavier and stronger drill will do all your light work as well as the heavy, but a lighter drill will not do the heavier and more demanding work that you may require of it.

For best results it is important that the drill operates at the correct speed for the work you are doing. For hard or soft wood the drill can operate at any number of RPMs, but for aluminum and other light metals the speed shouldn't exceed 2,000 RPMs and could be as low as 1,500. For steel and other heavy metals you will get best results with a speed of only 1,000 RPMs or slightly less. If you know what type of work you want to drill for, you can buy one operating at the proper number of RPMs.

The tool's design is important. Look for a case that is neat but rugged in appearance. Some lower priced drills have a very lightweight metal case that can be easily broken, but can't be repaired. The ¼-inch drill should weigh about four pounds. Anything heavier will be tiring when used in awkward places. For real convenience the drill should be designed for use in small and confined spaces,



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A three-jaw, geared chuck is your best choice. The geared chuck opens and closes with a key, and the drill bit is gripped by the three jaws. These two features combine to give excellent gripping and holding power. The size of the drill refers to the maximum size drill bit shank it will accommodate. However, by using a drill with a ¼-inch shank, you can safely drill holes of up to ½ inch.

The small drill should have a pistol type grip to give better control and easy one-hand operation. You will find that the pistol grip that comes almost straight down from the motor gives better control in tight situations than the type that slants back from the motor at about 45-degree angle.

The switch for your drill should be a trigger type and located at the top of the pistol grip for quick and easy operation. In addition, there should be a push-button device to lock the switch in the "ON" position. This button should be so located that it is easy to reach and use, but where it won't be accidentally engaged. The locking device is especially useful on a one-hand drilling job.

The connecting cord should be from seven to eight feet long and should enter the drill at the extreme end of the pistol-grip handle. This will keep the cord out of your way while using the drill. For safety reasons the drill should be equipped with a three-wire connected cord and should be used in a three-prong receptacle. The third wire is a ground wire, and is designed to carry any electric charge resulting from a short circuit away from the drill's case.

If your workshop is not equipped with a grounded three-wire outlet, *don't* break or bend the ground prong on the tool just so that it can be used in your present outlet. Call an electrician and have him install a properly grounded outlet. It may mean waiting a day or two, and it will cost you $5 or $10, but it could save your life.

Most power tools are designed to minimize the danger of electrical shock to the user. Look for the Canadian Standards Association symbol on the tool. The CSA mark means that the tool has been tested and meets certain safety requirements. Look for it in the U. S., too, where many tools carry it as well as "UL" label — which may not be as high a standard.

The manufacturer's reliability is a most important factor. A reputable manufacturer will stand behind his product, repairing or replacing the drill if anything goes wrong with it. Check with your dealer on this point. He'll know how other customers have been treated, and how many trouble calls he has had on a particular make.

Good service facilities are important too. If trouble does develop, you will want a local or nearby repair depot. Having to pack your tool and send it many miles away for service takes time, costs money, and frays tempers. Make sure your drill comes complete with a list of spare parts, and a repair chart, and make sure that the dealer carries a stock of replacement parts. He should also carry manufacturer's attachments. □

HOW TO READ THE NAMEPLATE

RPM—*Revolutions per minute.* On electric drills, the speed of the motor with no load.

AMPS—*Amperes.* The amount of current the tool draws while running under full load.

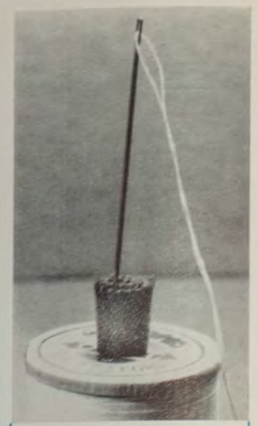
VOLTS—*Voltage.* 110 volts is the normal voltage in Canada.

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AC - DC—*Alternating Current-Direct Current.* Most portable drills have Universal motors that operate on either type of current so this should be no problem.

HP—*Horsepower.*

MOD.—*Model Number.*

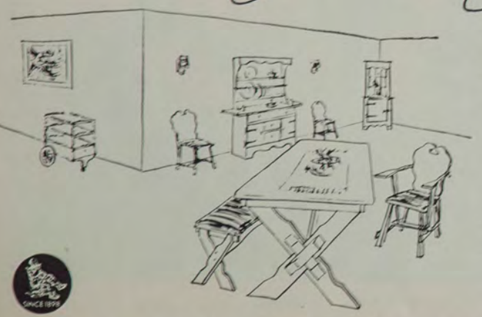


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414. CHAIN SAWS for camp and cottage repairs, dock building and cutting your own firewood. Pioneer Saws Ltd.
☆ 415. HERE'S HOW PLANS for six handyman projects previously published in CH&G. Child's clothes stand, Toy boat, Convertible truck, Magazine rack, Child's shoe stand, and Rocking horse. Six for 25c. Printed on sturdy yellow folders. CH Plans Service.

Insulation

431. INSULATION FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION: interesting brochure describes Spintex Rock Wool Batt Insulation. Canadian Johns-Manville Co. Ltd.
432. INSULATION FOR EXISTING HOMES: diagrams and text explain "blown" Spintex Insulation for existing homes. Canadian Johns-Manville Co. Ltd.
433. SAVE HEATING DOLLARS: if you're building, fuel costs can be saved with Red Top mineral wool—if you have built, Red Top granulated wool can solve your problem. Canadian Gypsum Co. Ltd.
434. INSULATE YOUR HOME: illustrated pamphlet on why you should use it, etc. Fiberglas Canada Ltd.

Miscellaneous

444. "RIDE THE MAGIC CARPET" booklet showing actual pages and pictures from the "BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE" the Children's Encyclopedia, designed to stimulate a youngster's mind and develop a love of reading. The Grolier Society Ltd.
446. YOUR HEART: how modern knowledge and methods of diagnosing heart disturbances can give people the best chance for a full, happy and lengthy life despite heart trouble. Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.
447. AVIATION AND YOUR FUTURE: information on varied fields of endeavor—air crew, ground crew, registered nurses and dietitians is provided in interesting pamphlets. Royal Canadian Air Force.
449. "Latest Information About 'TERYLENE'": a portfolio including pertinent facts about 'Terylene' polyester fibre in its many end uses, i.e., curtains, comforters, lingerie, dresses, skirts, suits, children's wear, etc. Canadian Industries Ltd.
450. THESE MEN THEY CALL KNIGHTS: inception, growth, purpose and structure of the Order of The Knights of Columbus described in free booklet. Knights of Columbus.
452. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT FIBRES? YARN? FABRICS? Information on clothes, etc., made of blended fibres. Acetate, Celapenm acetate, Fortisan, and Arnel triacetate fully explained. Canadian Chemical & Cellulose Co. Ltd.
455. ADVENTURES IN INTERIOR DESIGN & DECORATION: 24-page booklet offers comprehensive home study course in interior decorating, and outlines opportunities in this field of endeavor. Chicago School of Interior Design.
456. MAKE-UP HINTS: illustrations how to apply essentials — cleanse, refresh, smooth. Elizabeth Arden Ltd.
457. IT'S NATURAL, IT'S NORMAL: This little booklet explains the purpose of menstruation and protective aids available to help you enjoy living every day of every month. Canadian Tampax Corp. Ltd.

Paint and Decorate

464. PLANNED PROTECTION: an informative booklet on wood preservation. Also bulletins on the preparation and preservation of plywood, log siding, bevel siding and peeled log for log cabins. Osmose Wood Preserving Co. of Canada Ltd.
466. RESURFO, now in paste or powder formulae. 6-page pamphlet tells how to repair cracked or broken plaster, wood, brick, tile, concrete, wallboard, metal, canvas. The Reardon Company Ltd.
468. DRAMEX TEXTURE FINISH: 8-page pamphlet giving complete instructions on redecorating your home without replastering. Includes color card and design guide. The Reardon Company Ltd.
☆ 469. COLOR — FOR "HARMONIOUS LIVING": 32-page four-color Color Planning guide for every room in the house plus exterior treatments. Price 10c. Pratt & Lambert Inc.
vantage and how to care for them. H. K. Porter Co. (Canada) Ltd.
☆ 471. MR. & MRS. COLORS FOR '60: pamphlet of colorful illustrations showing 16 colors keyed to go with the furniture, fabrics, carpet, etc. Price 10c. Imperial Flo-Glaze Paints Ltd.

Pipes and Plumbing

488. SOFT WATER: two pamphlets describing the Culligan service and how it operates. Culligan Soft Water.
489. "HOW TO SELECT YOUR WATER SYSTEM"—outlining the necessary steps to save time and money. Also "Invitation to More Leisure" through the use of soft water. Pumps & Softeners Ltd.
491. STERASYL FILTERED WATER: Tells how to obtain pure water for industrial and domestic use from any polluted source by the use of Sterasyl self-sterilising filters. Illustrated. Stuart Enamelled Products.
492. PUMPS FOR ALL PURPOSES: Dependable water supply for home and cottage. Convertible from shallow to deep well operation. S. A. Armstrong Ltd.

Property Management

497. CANADIAN GOVERNMENT ANNUITIES: booklet designed to give you comfort and security in your old age. Government of Canada.
498. CANADIAN TAX INFORMATION: free pamphlet designed to supply essential information on Canadian income tax, gift tax and succession duty provisions, for the proper solution of estate problems. New York Life Insurance Co.
499. WHAT'S IN THE BANK FOR YOU? Only you can tell. Your needs will not be your neighbor's. Our aim is to provide all the Bank services your needs call for. The Toronto-Dominion Bank.
500. "THE AFFAIRS OF . . . . .": a Bank of Nova Scotia booklet which every householder should have. If for any reason you are unable to act for yourself, it provides a record of whom to see and where to look. No personal information need be given.
501. CHOOSING YOUR HOME: 147 things to consider when buying a home. The Prudential Insurance Co.
502. POCKET GUIDE FOR FAMILY SPENDING: This pocket chart is designed to help you plan your spending to give freedom from financial care. The Bank of Nova Scotia.

Windows, Doors

516. BERRY FLOAT AWAY DOORS: pamphlet shows how they save space and eliminate walls, by filling any width opening. Available with louvers. Berry Door Co. Ltd.
517. BERRY ALL-STEEL GARAGE DOORS fully illustrated in pamphlet. Easy to install, available in track or canopy style. Berry Door Co. Ltd.
518. ANDERSEN WINDOWALLS: 32 ideas for window beauty to help you choose windows that are best for your home. Andersen Corporation.
519. "PIERSON" FULL VISION NO-DRAUGHT, SASHLESS WINDOW: single and double glazed. Complete literature describing sizes and installation details of these extra-light windows. Celwood Industries Ltd.
520. WINDOWS: FlexSolair awning type, Solar wall type. Weatherproof vertical slide, Twin-Lock kitchen, awning type and Easy Vent combination storms and screens completely illustrated and described. A. S. Nicholson & Son Ltd.
☆ 524. STORM WINDOW PHOTO MAGAZINE: illustrated with actual photos, on how the proper fitting storm-screen windows seal out weather, dust and dirt, reduce traffic noise, etc. 10c. Alsco Products of Canada Ltd.
525. TWINDOW BUILT-IN INSULATION: details on this double-window pane. Cdn. Pittsburgh Industries Ltd.
526. NICHOLSON HORIZONTAL SLIDING 'SLIDE BY' WINDOW": Folder describes modern design, weather-tightness and noiseless finger-touch operation of new wood window. A. S. Nicholson & Son Ltd.
528. CELWOOD FOLDING DOORS: Four color brochure illustrating this solid wood folding door in natural wood — mahogany, Sitka spruce, western red cedar, yellow cedar and special finishes to suit individual taste. Celwood Industries Ltd.
531. GLIDE-WIDE ALL-STEEL FOLDING DOORS —now louvred or plain—features space saving efficiency, quick easy installation. Free colorful jumbo folder from KeepRite Products Ltd.
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533. PELLA WOOD CASEMENT, MULTI-PURPOSE & TWIN-LITE WINDOWS: two booklets fully illustrating these functional windows, giving complete specifications, typical window groupings, applications, etc. Rolscreen Company.
534. PELLA WOOD FOLDING DOORS: colorful folder showing how these doors function in today's trends of family life. Available in natural wood veneers or select for the finishing of your choice. Rolscreen Company.
535. NEW FIBRE GLASS PERMASCREEN for windows, porches, patios, and breezeways. Pamphlet gives details of weather resistance, strength, stability, and ease of handling. Also illustrated easy installation methods. Bay Mills Limited.

Leisure and Pleasure

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539. JAGUAR: Booklets showing and explaining the complete Jaguar line with special emphasis on the new XK150 Models. Jaguar Car (Canada) Ltd.
540. EVINRUDE MAKES OUTBOARD MOTOR HISTORY: 20-page four-color catalogue shows complete range of outboard motors for carefree boating enjoyment. Evinrude Motors.
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546. LET'S TALK ABOUT CARS: booklet illustrates how a car is put together, and the basic parts of the engine. Full color pictures of GM cars for 1960 built in Canada. General Motors of Canada Ltd.
550. LONE STAR CAREFREEDOM FLEET FOR '60: complete outboard buying guide for 123 fiberglass and aluminum boats and 9 trailers.
☆ 551. COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY: illustrated booklet "Color Fun" gives information on how you can take better color slides. Explains exposures, light techniques, film, etc. Price 50c. Ansco of Canada Ltd.
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