

Counter-Spy—  
**Brighten Up Home With Curtains**

**Give Premises a Springlike Touch**  
By LOUISE FLETCHER  
Time-Women's Editor  
**FOR HOMEMAKERS.**  
February brings the urge to yank spring inside the house a month or so before it makes its outdoor debut. It's too early to embark on a thorough spring housecleaning, but it's still possible to give the premises a springlike touch.  
Fresh curtains alone may do the trick. Or, in the case of refurbishing the bathroom, fresh window curtains and a matching shower curtain.  
At Sears, Roebuck they're showing some hand-painted Harmony House shower and window curtain sets (\$9.98) calculated to brighten any bathroom. These are in Lily Pond pattern on smooth Wataseal—easily washed and with permanent coloring. The shower curtain is 72 by 72 inches; the window curtains, 27 by 54 inches. Colors are blue, yellow, mint green, frosted white and peach.

**'Up in Bucks'**  
Homemakers "up in the bucks"—\$500 up, anyway—may choose another home-brightening expedient. That's what a pair of Dorothy Doughty model birds in Royal Worcester porcelain costs.



**Doughty Model Cardinals**  
The Doughty birds, a pair of cardinals perched on orange blossom branches 11½ inches high, are at Charles Mayers'. The pair, the hen in quiet coloring and her mate in fiery plumage, are really collector's items worthy of a spot in a museum. The model birds are produced in limited editions.

**Saves Space**  
**IF PRE-SPRING** housecleaning extends to bringing order into clothes closets, Sears, Roebuck are on deck with aids in that direction, too.  
A top-notch is the De Luxe Skirt Hanger which hangs six or more skirts neatly on one hanger—saving closet space. This way skirts are kept together for quick selection.  
The hanger (\$1.49) is suspended from hook on door or wall, or from closet rod. It has a sturdy, electroplated metal frame (rust resistant), and smooth, strong plastic spring clips to keep the skirts securely tethered.

**Brief Bolero**



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**Like a Fleecy Cloud for Spring, Summer**



**A FLEECY CLOUD** has nothing on the downy softness of pastel fleecé coats designed for spring and summer wear. This pair of coats from Strauss' makes effective use of fleecé fabric. The one at the left, in tansourine pink, is a full wrap style with sweeping lapels, tie belt and deep pockets. Unpressed box pleats in back add to the generous greatcoat look. It is a Del-Paca model, which means that alpaca is mixed with the wool of the fabric. Brass buttons do the double-breasted fastening trick on the pop-corn beige coat at right. This has slash pockets, a shawl collar and a gored back. Each coat is \$59.95. Dobbie has worn with the coats are \$16.95 for the big two-tone affair of skirting felt and \$10 for the pink felt mushroom cloche. (By L. F.)

**Blackwood on Bridge—  
Rule of 11  
Helps Play**

**Mrs. Keen Is Aided**  
MRS. KEEN used the rule of 11 to guide her into the right defensive play in today's hand.  
Mr. Meek's opening lead was the seven of spades. Anxious to finesse hearts as soon as possible, Mr. Abel tried to win the first trick in dummy by putting up the king of spades. Now, pretend you are Mrs. Keen and tell me what you would play. Cover up the South and West hands while I ask you some questions.

**South dealer.**  
Both sides vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
Mr. Dale  
S-K Q 6  
H-Q J 10  
D-A 9 8 6 2  
C-8 3  
**WEST**  
Mr. Meek  
S-7 3  
H-K 5 2  
D-10 4 3  
C-A 8 6 5 2  
**EAST**  
Mrs. Keen  
S-A 9 8 4  
H-8 3  
D-J 7 5  
C-J 10 7 4  
**SOUTH**  
Mr. Abel  
S-J 10 5 2  
H-A 9 7 6 4  
D-K Q  
C-K Q  
**The bidding:**  
**SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST**  
1H Pass 2D Pass  
2H Pass 4H All Pass

Is Mr. Meek's lead a "fourth best"? Well, let's use the Rule of 11. He led the seven spot. Seven from 11 leaves four, which means there are four spades higher than the seven outside of Mr. Meek's hand. But you can see five higher than the seven in the East hand and dummy. No, the opening lead can't be fourth best.  
Is it a singleton? If so, then Mr. Abel has five spades and with that many he surely would have bid the suit instead of merely bidding and rebidding hearts.

**Hopes for Doubleton**  
Mrs. Keen figured, as you undoubtedly did, that the seven of spades was the top of a two or three-card holding. She hoped for the doubleton holding. She also hoped Mr. Meek could gain the lead before all his trumps were extracted.  
So at trick one she did not play the ace of spades. She played the nine to try to encourage partner to lead the suit again, if he got in.  
At trick two Mr. Abel finessed the queen of hearts. Mr. Meek won and led the three of spades. Having seen the deuce fall from the closed hand on the first trick, Mrs. Keen knew this was the partner's lowest, and therefore, the last spade. So she won with the ace and returned a spade for Mr. Meek to ruff. Mr. Meek then laid down the ace of clubs for the setting trick.  
Note that if Mrs. Keen had won the ace of spades at trick one Mr. Meek would never have got to trump the third round of the suit. After he won with the king of hearts, there would have been no way to reach his partner's hand.

**New Yorkers Visit**  
Mr. and Mrs. Matt Schreiner have returned to New York after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Gardner, 1810 W. 26th St. They were honor guests at a dinner given Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Leon David of Greenfield.

**Eat Well for Less**

**Turkeys Are Still Plentiful**

**Good for Dinner, Good for Budget**  
By GAYNOR MADDOX  
HEAVY TURKEYS are still in plentiful supply and offer a lot of fine meat at budget prices for a large family.  
Serve them with other foods on the plentiful list for the sake of good eating plus budget comfort.  
Begin your turkey dinner with grapefruit halves topped with orange-cranberry relish.

**ORANGE-CRANBERRY RELISH**  
Four cups cranberries, two cups sugar, two oranges, quartered and seeded.  
Put raw cranberries and oranges through food chopper. Add sugar and mix well. Chill in refrigerator a few hours before serving. Note: This relish will keep well in the refrigerator for several weeks.

Here's a Louisiana contribution to the turkey dinner:  
**YAM AND APPLE CASSEROLE**  
Peel four to five medium left-over baked or boiled sweet potatoes. Slice into buttered casserole in alternate layers with thinly sliced tart apples. Dot with butter or fortified margarine.

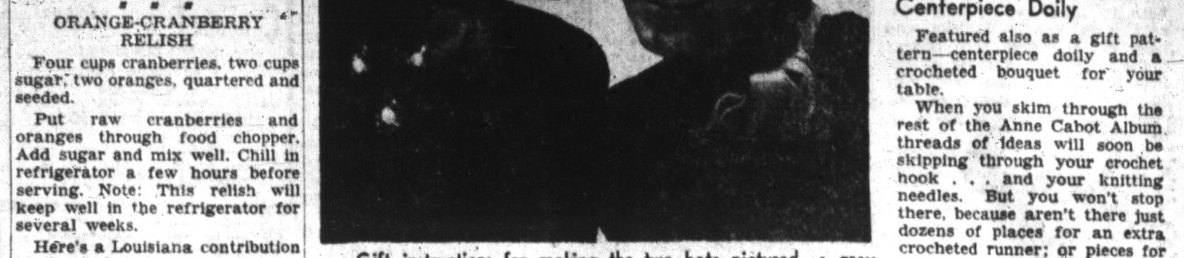
Mix three-fourths cup maple sirup, or breakfast blend of cane and maple, with one-fourth cup water and pour over yams and apples.  
Cover and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) about 30 minutes. Remove cover and bake another 10 minutes.

**Wednesday's Menu**  
**BREAKFAST:** Stewed prunes, ready-to-eat cereal, scrambled eggs, enriched toast, butter or fortified margarine, coffee, milk.  
**LUNCHEON:** Crisp bacon, yam and apple casserole, white wheat bread, butter or fortified margarine, raisin-nut-oatmeal cookies, tea, milk.  
**PARTY DINNER:** Grapefruit with orange-raspberry relish, roast turkey, nut stuffing, giblet gravy, baked potatoes, chopped spinach with sieved hard-cooked egg, assorted salads, raw beet and lettuce salad, French dressing, prune pie with cheese sauce and nut topping, coffee, milk.

**Anne Cabot Album Offers Unique Sew-How**

**ABC's of Knitting Are Related**

HERE'S a head-start, sneak-preview of the Anne Cabot Album! Forty pages of written sew-how for those who love creative work in the finger artistry of crocheting, knitting and embroidery.  
The clear and easy instructions on the ABC of knit, crochet and embroidery stitches will bring you up-to-date in the event it's been a long time since you've taken any kind of needle in hand. And the gift instructions on Page 18 on how to knit a Breton sailor and an over-one-eye gray feather hat will help you lead the fashion parade this spring. They're easy to make. They're easy to wear.



Gift instructions for making the two hats pictured—a gray feather hat and a Breton sailor—are featured in the new 1950 Anne Cabot Album (on Page 18).

**DISHING THE DIRT—**

By MARGUERITE SMITH  
Q—Would you please advise me about my ivy? I transplanted it several months ago and it did lovely until the past few weeks. Now the leaves are all turning yellow. Mrs. L. G. C.  
A—When ivy leaves turn yellow at this time of year my first guess is scale. These tiny brown shell-like insects are hard to find on stems and leaves. They are apparently lifeless but they very actively suck the life out of a plant. Easy remedy is to dunk the ivy (hold your hand over top of pot as you invert it, letting ivy trail between your fingers) in sudsy water that has a teaspoon of kerosene added to each quart. Repeat in 10 days. One easily observed sign of scale is the appearance of shiny moist spots of what looks like sugar water on table or windowsill where you keep the plant. Other causes of yellowing leaves might be too much fertilizer or too much (as well as too little) water.

Send questions on gardening to Mrs. Smith, The Indianapolis Times, Indianapolis 9.

**Offers an Idea**

Add the Anne Cabot Album to your sewing library today. To obtain your copy of the BIG NEW 1950 ALBUM, containing dozens of fascinating new designs, gifts, decorations and special features, plus four gift patterns and directions, send 25 cents in coin to Mrs. Anne Cabot, The Indianapolis Times, 530 S. Wells St., Chicago 7.

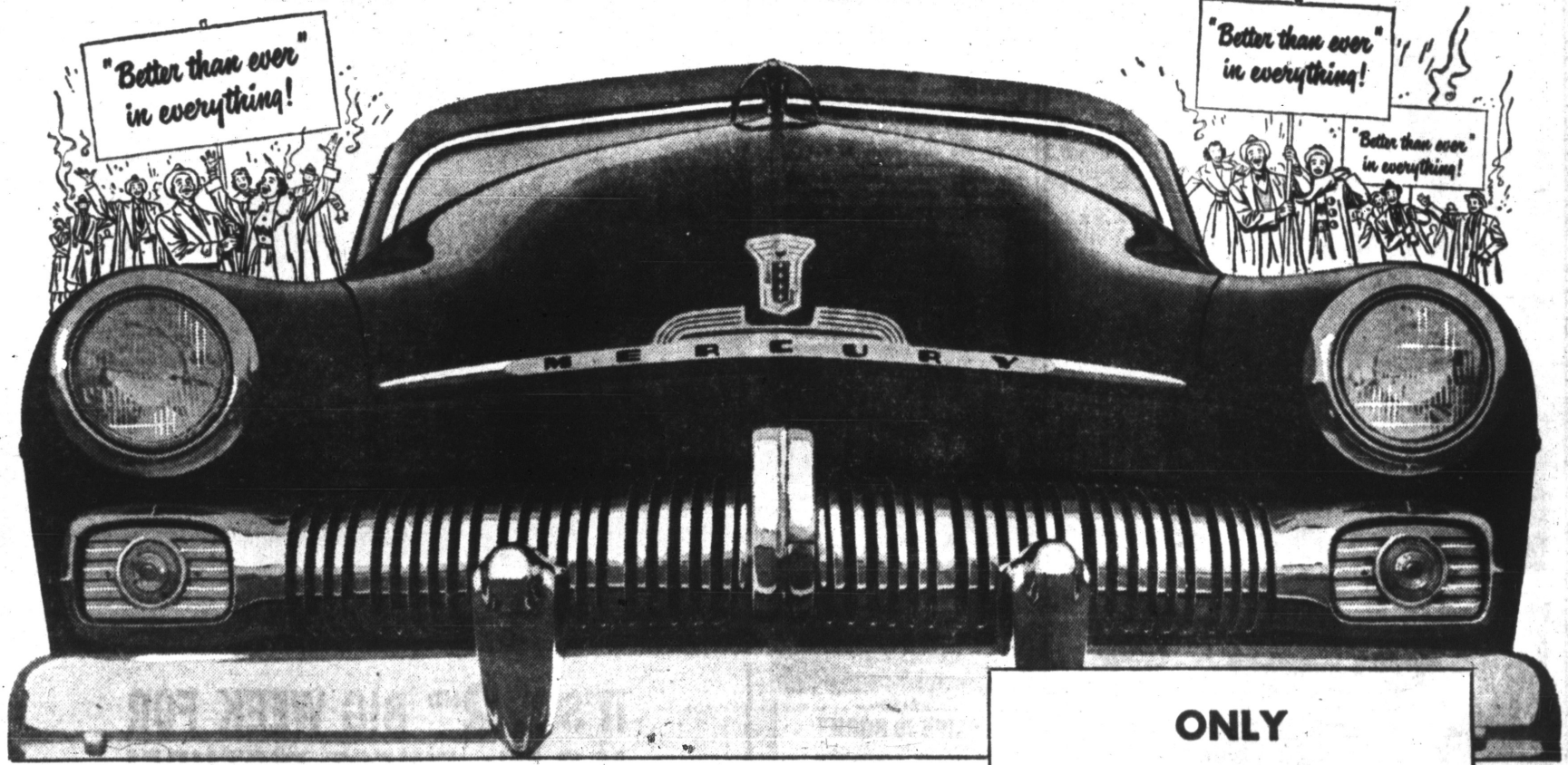
**Announce Hostesses For Hoosier Salon**

Clubwomen of Unit 4, American Legion Auxiliary, and the Indiana Chapter, National Society of Arts and Letters, will be hostesses tomorrow for the Hoosier Salon in Block's Auditorium. The art exhibit will be open daily during store hours through Feb. 11.

Serving from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. will be Mesdames Francis Polen, Ralph Werner, John L. Edmonds, Neal Grider, George Swain and Loren Brewer of the auxiliary.

During the afternoon, Mesdames Carl J. Weinhardt, H. F. Blasingham, Oliver S. Guio, John L. Helmer, George Jo Mac and Josephine Duke Motley of NSAL will be the hostesses.

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