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### Practical Gifts That Can Be Shared . . . ... With The Family Are Most Popular Today

Gifts for Mother's Duy. bit different this year, not only because there are new gift ideas to choose from, but because the big gift for that special day is likely to be less entimental than in the past. It's one that is not only practical but that can be shared with the family.

Whether the homemaker is active at home or away, on a job or extracurricular events, small appliances that save her time and energy are high on the list.

New automatic slow cookers are an example. They are per-fect for the homemaker who wants to start a full meal in the morning before she goes to work, PTA meeting, hospital volunteering or whatever and not worry about it until she's ready to serve it at night.

One of the slow cookers. Pot O' Plenty by Regal is fa-shioned from Lexan\* resin. the unbreakable lightweight material that is heat resistant. marvellously easy to clean and to maintain. The calibrated heat control lets you determine the heat you want - set it on low numbers and you can simmer all day; set midway and you can stew; set it on high and you can sizzle (in

the French fry basket). With the Pot O' Plenty, the wonderful flavor of old-fashioned cooking permeates the kitchen. And with this type of cooking, cheaper meat cuts can be used — a prime con-sideration these inflationary

A beribboi d electric Pot O' Plenty by Regal is an ideal gift which can be shared with the whole family. Its housing is fashioned of sturdy, easy to clean Lexan® material and brings the flavor of "old-fashioned" cooking into the kitchen

days. You can make a big pot of soup, a family-sized boiled dinner, or hot punch for the crowd. It comes in attractive colors such as parsley, hot pepper or sun gold. A kitchen tested gourmet cookbook is included.

In your search for an ap-

propriate gift for your favorite lady, you might consider, too, a cordless detangler, new models of electric corn poppers, egg cookers, and blenders more gifts that the family can use and enjoy together. These are the gifts that are becoming more meaningful.

#### WET, WARM

early spring

# "interesting" brought weather to North Carolina. It was both wetter Temperatures years.

The

**BEAUTIFUL AND DURABLE-Diagonal 1x4 redwood hoards** in picture-frame panels make for an interesting, functional barrier between patio and service areas. Sturdy Construction Common, knot grade redwood was used by the fence designer, a landscape architect, for its beauty and durability. Redwood garden grade fences expand backyard hor-izons. Careful division of backyard areas with redwood

> Garden projects, like garden flowers, must be planned wall ahead of time. Redwood, America's Tastest growing most natural garden materials, is in heavy demand as ais, is in heavy demand as more and more Americans discover the joys of outdoor living. Planning and ordering your materials as far in ad-vance as possible will assure that they are on hand when you need them.

grade is used.

## We Still Need to Stay In Touch with Nature

By M. E. Gardner N. C. State University

This is the day of the environmentalist. Some of us, many years ago, tried to point out the pitfalls, but we only had a wee small voice. It appears that we drag along in apathy until our problems become so acute that they are difficult and, sometimes, impossible to solve. It is unfortunate that many of our present day environmentalists live in air conditioned cars and houses and are not attuned to the real problems facing us.

Keeping in touch with nature is increasingly needful. Ancient scourages of the human race have disappeared but new ones are appearing, not the least of which is the separation of man from the unending beauties of nature. In the past one

Now even the unhandy can put together beautiful furni-

ture-in just minutes, without tools or glue, without paint-ing or sanding, for far less

than the cost of comparabl

system of pre-finished shelves

and spindles. You merely twist them together to form end tables, coffee tables, book-

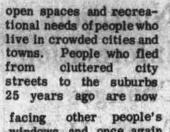
The answer is a simple new

case goods.

from hundred years, man has made greater material progress than in all of

his existence. In doing so, he has replaced the fragrance of forests and fields with the smell of internal combustion engines and the reek of factories -- and the end is not in sight. He has overrun the wilderness, polluted once sparkling streams of clear water and hemmed himself in with canyons of buildings. He has swamped his senses with impressions utterly foreign to the

natural way of life. Our nature study parks and national forests provide restful spots where man has not intruded with modern ways. Some are a part of the original face of this country, giving us some appreciation of primeval forces. We are now faced with the problem of providing



windows and once again are searching for open spaces.

It seems to be the tendency of our machine civilization to wipe out every trace of what was once primitive wilderness. The preservation of natural lands is essential if we are to understand the natural laws which govern soil conservation, plants and animals, and their interrelationships.

State and national parks and forests give us an opportunity to renew our touch with the land, to draw strength from it and to ponder the mysteries and wonders of nature. There is serenity to be found, and a place where we can walk and think alone; where every sight, every scent, every sound has meaning and makes us increasingly conscious of something we are about to lose unless we plan better.

#### MORE TURKEYS

North Carolina turkey production continues to climb. There were over 12 million birds raised on Tar Heelfarms last year, up 18 percent over the previous year. Total production last year amounted to 197.4 million pounds liveweight, up 11 percent



No more messy matches. No more "pops" from propane gas stoves or mobile home and trailer ranges. A new trigger-operated "Spark Gun", now on retail shelves

for under \$5, uses piezoelectricity to light propane gas or alcohol

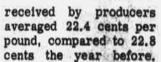
burners safely with a squeeze of a trigger. It has no flints or batteries, so operating life is practically unlimited. It keeps tube on a pistol-grip handle This leaves the user's hand well away from the flame; also reaches hard-to-reach pilot hands away from the flame, so it's far safer than matches. lights in ovens and water-The Spark Gun uses a tiny

heaters, so it's handy around crystal to create an electrical charge when you pull the trigger. Result: a sharp electrical spark jumps from the business end and up jumps the flame. Lights any flam-mable gas or alcohol instantly.

the house. On sale at camping-supply, discount and department stores. A product of Vernitron Piezoelectric Division, Bedford, Ohio.

The lighter has an 8-inch

over 1971. Gross income from turkeys was estimated at \$44.2 million, up 9 percent. Price







and warmer than usual. Some areas of the state received over 16 inches of rainfall, well above normal, Frequency of the rains, even in areas that received much less total rainfall, was unusual. Rain fell at some weather stations more than 20 of the 31 days. were above normal and the warmest in about 35

side seams open. Try on the pants, right side out, and pin sideseams to fit, as you would fit a skirt. Mark with chalk on wrong side along pins; turn right sides together, pin, and

stitch along chalk markings. 12.68 BIG PICKLE Mrs. Opal Callihan, Tabor City, Rt. 2, was in a big pickle last year. She couldn't find enough watermelons to meet the demand for her water-

Twist-together furniture is boon to homemakers! No tools. No glue.

cases, entertainment centers, even room dividers. In addition to beauty and ease of assembly, these units are unusually flexible. You can add to them, rearrange them, take them with you when you move without fear of "fit." Stability's assured by an exclusive "Ring-Lock" type of construction type of construction.

Finished in warm walnut and deep dark oak, styling is compatible with a wide va-riety of furnishings. The beauty will last, too, for the wood grain finish is a vinyl laminate, highly resistant to most household spills.

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fences actually multiplies the area's usefulness. This red-wood "new math" separates garden, into use areas-play yard, intertaining ratio, and service areas for example. Thoughtful planning can also provide hidden terraces, con-versation niches and private sunning spots.

The selection of proper materials for fence construction is as important as the lotion is as important as the lo-cation and design of those structures. The Garden Grades of redwood – Con-struction Heart, Construction Common, and Merchantable -are ideal for fences because they are beautiful, durable and economical. Redwood garden grades contain knots and sometimes sapwood (the creamy-white streaks that

Importance of Fabric, **Clothing Labels Cited** 

By JANICE CHRISTENSEN

**Distaff Deeds** 

It's important for homemakers to understand labels before they buy fabrics or readymade clothing.

With the increasing number of synthetic fibers on the market and the different types of fabric texturizing and finishes, it is impossible to judge performance and care of the fabric without the knowledge supplied by the label, emphasizes Mrs. Joyce Hildreth, home economextension agent, ics Rockingham County.

One often misunderstood statement found on labels is "exclusive of ornamentation," the agent adds. This means that no care instructions are given for garment trims, such as lace, buttons or braid.

Through a special lesson on "Understanding Clothing Hangtags," county homemakers have learned to become better shoppers, Mrs. Hildreth verified,

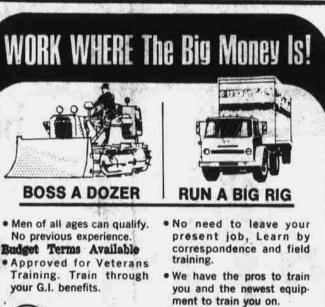
And each homemaker knows its up to her to take the time to read labels and to learn what the different terms mean, the agent noted.

MAKING PANTS Making pants for ourself or some other family member? Here's a hint from Mrs. Martha B. Adams, home economextension

you need them. An entirely new 12-page booklet, "Redwood Fences," and a set of fence construc-tion plans, may be obtained by sending 25¢ for handling to "Fences," California Red-wood Association, 617 Mont-gomery Street, San Francis-co, California 94111. melon rind pickels. Mrs. Callihan has been selling her home conserved products at the Senc-Crafts store, Lake Waccamaw for six years,

explains Mrs. Yvonne Ray, home economics extension agent, Columbus County. In addition to canning and freezing the family's

food supply, the homemaker likes to put aside relishes, jars of preserves, pickles and spiced grapes as gifts for friends and family. "This year," the homemaker told the agent, "I'm not going to run short of watermelons. I'm going to plant my own supply." WAFR-FM



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