

Distaff Deeds

Shop Around

"It pays to shop comparatively," a Surry County homemaker told Mrs. Lydia R. Taylor, assistant home economics Extension agent.

While redecorating her house, the homemaker, Mrs. Neill M. Smith, Dobson, got several estimates on carpeting. The price for the same job varied more than \$400.

New Look

If you want to give a room a new look or if you wish to brighten up a nook, try using one of the new self adhesive papers available in many different colors and designs.

Lucille M. Carter, assistant home economics Extension agent, Richmond County, suggests using the stick-on paper to cover a mirror and matching dresser accessories, place a border in a child's

room, cover toy shelves, or decorate a window cornice.

Broom Corn

J. K. Powell, Columbus County, has one of the best stands of broom corn grown in a home garden in the past six years, Mrs. Yvonne B. Ray, home economics Extension agent, reports.

Powell planted the broom corn seed for Pauline Toon, Whiteville, who plans to make hearth brooms.

For thirty cents worth of seed, Miss Toon will be able to sell enough broom corn for about 20 brooms at sixty-five cents per 30 or 40 pieces or make the hearth brooms and sell them for \$3 apiece.

Seeing is Believing

After seeing a demonstration on the use of the blender, Mrs. C. L. Jenkins, Dur-

ham, Rt. 5, said, "I believe it's time I took my blender from the box and started to use it."

Durham County homemakers are learning that the secret of the blender's effectiveness is knowing how to use it, Martha B. Edmondson, home economics Extension agent, observes.

The blender, when used effectively, can chop, mix, grate, stir, liquify and puree foods, she adds. It can save much time and energy in preparing family meals, special diets and party refreshments,

she notes.

Top Money Winner

Richard Petty has won more money in major races at North Wilkesboro (N.C.) Speedway than any other NASCAR Grand National driver. In 16 starts, he has won five and earned \$24,960.

Petty Leads

Richard Petty has finished in the top 10 at major NASCAR Grand National stock car races at North Wilkesboro (N.C.) Speedway 10 times more than any other driver.

Speedy Beef Stew From Belgium



From Belgium comes the beef stew known as Carbonnade Flamande, a classical main dish richly endowed with onions and often flavored with beer. In the easy-to-make recipe which follows, canned roast beef with gravy reduces the cooking time and work greatly without sacrificing the traditional good taste, and apple juice or cider supplies the typical subtle flavoring.

The canned roast beef with gravy which is the mainstay of the dish is fully cooked and nicely seasoned as it comes from the can. That means that the ingredients to be measured are few, and the only cooking required is simple and quick: the sauteing of the onions, the heating and thickening of the stew — a matter of about 20 minutes. That makes the dish a treat for the home cook as well as the diners, because of the work that *doesn't* have to be done!

Traditionally Carbonnade Flamande is served with whole boiled potatoes dressed with butter or margarine and sprinkled with parsley or chives. A green vegetable, crisp salad, and home-style bread, will complete a delightful main course.

EASY CARBONNADE FLAMANDE

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| 2 medium onions, chopped | 2 tablespoons chopped parsley |
| 1 tablespoon bacon drippings or shortening | 2 cans (12 ounces each) roast beef with gravy |
| 1 cup apple juice or apple cider | 1 tablespoon flour |
| Dash of pepper | 3 tablespoons water |
| | Whole cooked potatoes |

Saute onions in drippings. Add apple juice, pepper, parsley and roast beef with gravy. Bring to a boil. Blend flour with water and stir in; cook until mixture is thickened and bubbling. Serve over whole cooked potatoes.

Makes 5 to 6 servings.



DISTINGUISHED—A handsome cotton fabric can transform an ordinary room into one with unusual interest. This somewhat formal setting is created through the use of Waverly's cotton print called "Schuyler Mansion." The beautifully styled floral and bird design, colored in rich blues and reds, is mixed with contemporary furniture and accessories for a room of distinction. Featured in McCall's You-Do-It home decorating magazine.



COUNTRY CASUAL—Blue and white cotton toile helps create a charming and rustic dining room. The Waverly fabric covers two walls, is used for shirred draperies, and even gives a decorative touch to the chandelier wire. Strategic placement of "instant beams" on the ceiling and around the window adds to the country look. Stately furniture done in red and blue checks and pewter accessories complete the setting. Featured in McCall's You-Do-It home decorating magazine.

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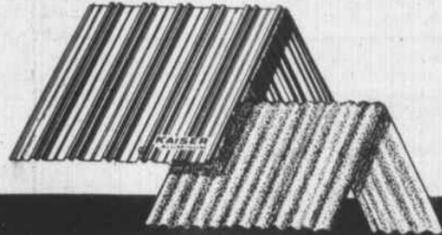
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