

## Inventory of Personal Items Is Recommended

RALEIGH—Do you know what your personal possessions are worth?

The average person doesn't know, even within several hundred dollars, what the furnishings in his house are worth, says Mrs. Justine Rozier, extension home management specialist, North Carolina State University.

These possessions are bought a piece at a time, usually—a chair now, a sofa then, a lamp sometime later. The only way you can get an accurate idea of the worth of your household things is to make a list of them, the specialist points out.

Knowing the true facts about your financial standing can be a satisfying assurance of future security, Mrs. Rozier adds.

Families usually have a hard time remembering all their possessions if their house is destroyed by fire, wind damage or other disasters.

Here are some suggestions from Mrs. Rozier for evaluating your home possessions:

A good inventory will serve a two-fold purpose. It will help you plan and it will give you protection.

It can help you plan by telling your net worth, or by helping you plan replacements ahead of time. It will also help you decide how much household insurance you need.

It is wise to keep a record of date of purchase, name of dealer and cost of each item. This inventory will protect you by making it easier to prepare a claim for loss. You'll have an exact list of what was lost. It will also assure you that you are neither under- or over-insuring your personal property.

"Be sure to keep your inventory in a safe place," Mrs. Rozier advises. "You should keep it outside the house so it will not be destroyed if a loss occurs."

Keeping two copies in different places is a good idea. And don't forget to keep the inventory up-to-date as you buy new items.

## Finding 'Dream House' May Mean Remodeling

RALEIGH -- For the family who wants to "put up with it," remodeling may be the answer to finding that dream house.

After all, many older houses have special assets, including good exterior proportions, large rooms that respond well to re-shaping, structural soundness sometimes unmatched in new construction, and an established building site in a preferred area.

But there are some things you'll do well to keep in mind, before you decide to remodel, points out Woodley C. Warrick, extension housing specialist, North Carolina State University.

For example, can the floor plan satisfy good planning principles and meet the needs of the family? Consider here the rearrangement of existing space as well as the addition of new space. If remodeling cannot produce a good floor plan, you may not wish to attempt it.

Is the house structurally sound? Will the windows need to be replaced? Is the house properly oriented to the road or street, and

to any other houses or buildings? Is the cost of the house in keeping with the cost of other houses in the neighborhood? This could affect resale value. Is a new heating system needed? Is more insulation necessary? How about the electrical system? Is the water supply satisfactory? Is the sewage disposal adequate to meet any code requirements?

Obtain cost estimates for all anticipated changes, the specialist advises. Then make the decisions: can the family stand the financial burden of remodeling, as well as the frustrations that must be lived with during remodeling?

There are no exact figures for the amount to invest in remodeling, but generally, the maximum should not exceed one-half that required for a new house that would meet the family's needs.

More expenditures may be justified if the house was built by parents or grandparents, or has historical or sentimental value.

## WALLCOVERINGS GO MODERN, AND THEY GO ALL THE WAY



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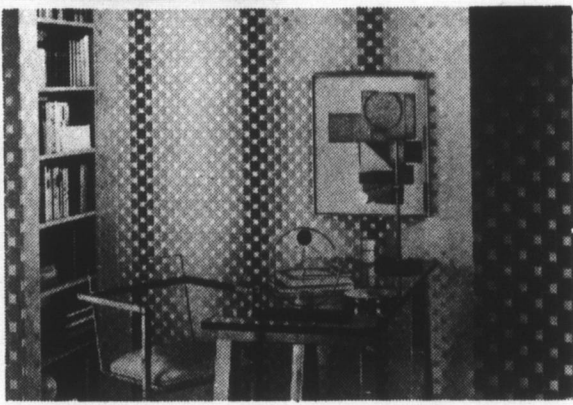
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Above: Re-doing a child's room? Child's play! The Toyland E-Z-Du Softfit Border boxes in a bed, to harmonize with soldier-trimmed striped walls. Paint furniture fronts and pick room-wide colorings from the same patriotic red-white-and-blue palette. A professional decorator couldn't do better!

Right: Go modern with all-over shimmering squares, from Imperial's Right On collection. The metallic paper-work brings up the sparkle of modern materials. And the bold pattern is just what's needed to give substance to today's simplified furnishings... a sure way for mini-budgets to make a max-style statement, fast.



## Fiber Family Members Have Similar Traits

RALEIGH—Shopping for clothing or fabrics could be more complicated than it already is. There are over 700 trade names for manufactured fibers.

Fortunately, these trade names belong to one of 22 generic or "family" groups. Among the families, says Harriet Tutterow, extension clothing specialist, North Carolina State University, are polyesters, acrylics, nylons, rayons and silks.

Each family group covers a class of fibers that differs greatly from those in other groups.

They differ in chemical composition as well as physical properties such as strength, resilience, softness, absorbency, and resistance to sunlight.

This labeling, by generic or family name, makes it easier for you to know what you are buying and what you can expect from your purchase, the specialist says.

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## Emotion-charged Drama on Hollywood TV Show

"Neighbors," an emotion-packed contemporary drama about race relations in an all-white suburban community, will be seen on the Public Broadcasting Service Hollywood Television Theatre Nov. 19 at 9:30 p.m. and Nov. 23 at 10 p.m. on Channel 4, WUNC-TV.

The play, written by Arkady Leokum, is a confrontation between an upper-class white couple — played by Jane Wyatt and Andrew Duggan — and a black couple from Harlem — portrayed by Raymond St. Jacques and Cicely Tyson — who play to buy their expensive suburban home.

In negotiating the sale, all four parties learn a little more

about each other and a lot about their own latent prejudices.

Leokum, who wrote the play in 1965, said that the drama involved everyday people who don't realize they are harboring hidden prejudices until they are forced into situations where they come to the surface.

The evening these two couples spend together starts out self-consciously, yet genially, but deteriorates into a round of ugly insults and name-calling.

St. Jacques, who starred in "When Cotton Comes to Harlem," and Miss Tyson, who starred in the TV series "East Side West Side," have acted

together before in the film "The Comedians." Jane Wyatt is best known as the sweet suburban housewife in the TV serial "Father Knows Best." Only aim to do your duty, and mankind will give you credit where you fail.

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## Garrett A. Morgan (1877-1963)

On July 25, 1916, a tunnel explosion trapped over twenty men working 228 feet below Lake Erie. The huge clouds of smoke, gases, dust and debris made it impossible for anyone to search for survivors. Just as it seemed hopeless, someone remembered hearing about an invention by a man named Morgan.

Garrett Morgan had been trying to interest manufacturers in his invention for a long time. It was the "gas inhalator," or gas mask, as we know it today.

Morgan was summoned and quickly arrived with his brother and two gas inhalators. Together they descended into the suffocating darkness. The crowd waited silently at the surface. Time stood still. Could anyone penetrate the smoke and gas and come out alive?

Finally, Morgan emerged carrying a survivor. Again and again, he returned to the hole until he had saved over a score of workmen. This remarkable feat not only drew a lot of attention to his invention, but marked him a hero as well.

Success did not come easy to Morgan. In those days, when it was learned that he was a Black man, Morgan met considerable resistance. But he was not easily discouraged. And through a combination of brains, determination and guts, he and his invention succeeded.



Nor was Garrett A. Morgan a one-shot inventor. In 1923, he patented another important device—one that has undoubtedly saved many lives—the first electric traffic signal that controlled traffic in all directions at one time. And made it possible for automobiles to move along in order and safety.

Garrett A. Morgan spent his entire life saving the lives of others through his inventive genius. He was a great inventor. A great man. A great humanitarian. He will be remembered as an ingenious American and a prolific inventor.

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