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"Triangle" Can Bring Happiness

Is happiness in your home being threatened by a triangle? Then maybe you ought to do something about it.

The triangle that most often ripples the waters of domestic tranquility is not caused by "another woman," but by an inefficient work pattern in the kitchen that can make a woman tired and cranky from sheer overwork, and ready to fight with her husband when he comes home.

The man to solve this family's problem is not a marriage counselor but an understanding kitchen designer who knows that a motion-saving "work triangle" can conserve time, steps and energy in meal preparation and kitchen cleanups.

For Efficiency The points of the "work triangle" are formed by the kitchen sink and dishwasher area, range and refrigerator.

freer—the three main work centers of the kitchen.

The sum of the three legs of this triangle should be at least 10 feet (less than that will result in an overworked work pattern) and no more than 22 feet (more than that will cause the homemaker unnecessary motion and effort).

U-shaped and L-shaped kitchens are the most efficient, because appliances, cabinets and work areas can all be located within easy reach. One-wall layouts or "corridor" plans (where two facing walls are used) are less efficient, but circumstances sometimes dictate their use.

If the kitchen has a window, you'll probably want the sink located beneath it. Most women prefer this arrangement, because while working at the sink they can watch the children at play or watch anything but the wall.

The automatic dishwasher should be positioned next to



COOKING CENTER CONVENIENCE comes with versatile new ranges, modern cookware and well-planned storage space. Here, roll-out shelves provide storage, near countertop oven and separate cooktop, for complete set of aluminum cookware—some with non-stick coatings.

CLEAN-UP CENTER FEATURES attractive island arrangement which serves as divider between kitchen-dining areas. Wide counter top doubles as "snack bar." Focal point is a built-in automatic dishwasher with swing-door for easy loading, unloading. By General Electric.

the sink, near the plumbing and within easy reach. The experts suggest that whether the homemaker is right or left handed, the dishwasher can be placed to the left or right of the sink, whichever position she prefers and the one that makes it easier for her to load the dishwasher.

Offer Variety Next consider the refrigerator-freezer. First, this appliance should be large enough to accommodate the family's needs now and in the near future without excessive trips to the market.

If the doors to your refrigerator-freezer open to the right, it should be placed to the right of the sink. If they open to the left, you'll want it to the left of the sink. Otherwise you'll be walking around the refrigerator and freezer doors all the time.

For most efficiency, provide five to five-and-a-half feet of counter space between refrigerator-freezer and sink.

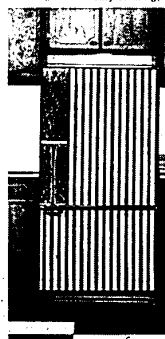
The third leg of the triangle is formed by the range. Preferably it should be located near the dining area.

The new electric ranges are available in a wide variety of styles—free standing, eye-level consoles, high-low double-oven ranges, separate cooktops and compact, one-piece built-in ranges—to suit any need.

Two Kiddies Use A-Frame Easel

A "blackboard for two," an A-frame easel, can be built by Dad to give youngsters an educational playing they can use simultaneously.

Slate paint is applied to smooth Masonite Duolux to create a high grade chalk surface. Fasten swatches of paper to the easel with top clamps for finger painting.



FOOD CENTER can be decorative, too, when remodeling plans include a refrigerator-freezer and one of a wide array of colorful new designs. This one by Amana.

CHEERFUL KITCHEN takes cue from wallpaper. Walls here boast "Manor Farm" design, with chart of "herbs and spices for cooking delight." By Stockwell.

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Product News

Remodel a porch or turn a section of the basement into a family room—with carpeting. This "remodeling through redecoration" suggestion comes from the makers of Ozite, Torm and Terrace Outdoor-Indoor carpet.

Since the carpet is water-repellent, its many uses include carpeting a patio or swimming pool apron, say Ozite decorating experts.

In polypropylene olefin fiber from the Vectra Company, the carpet is said to be stain and soil resistant, with excellent cleanability.

Ozite Outdoor-Indoor carpet is available in variety of decorator colors and retails for about \$3.40 per square yard.

American Screen Products Company now packages its Honeshield Bi-Folding Decorator Doors in polyethylene bags that contain two hinged panels with complete hardware for two-door or four-door installation in existing framed openings.

The doors, made of U. S. Rubber Company's Royale, come in four contemporary and traditional designs and can be used in closet doors, for screening off laundry and utility areas, or as room dividers.

Koto-Matic is a new kind of paint roller by National Silver Company. It has a Bakelite polyethylene handle, which holds a supply of paint. Light hand pressure forces the paint from the handle through the roller's perforated core, the manufacturer reports.

Console electronic air cleaner developed by Honeswell reduces airborne contaminants and dirt in homes that can't employ a central air cleaner. The console, in a decorative walnut veneer cabinet, cleans rooms of larger area than can be served adequately by a portable.

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Mantel, Panels Perk Fireplace

A new mantel may help improve the appearance of a fireplace. Face-lifting the area will complete the modernization.

Many modern-day mantels aren't attractive, but if you can find an old mantel, it's a simple matter to make a switch.

above the mantel with a wood-grain such as Masonite Royale; another good choice is a hardwood with the appearance of travertine marble. Both are factory-finished.

Ideal is an early 19th century marble mantel. Its simplicity makes it readily adaptable to rooms with modern furniture.

A deep fireplace may indicate there is room at each side for a closet built flush with the face of the hearth, Miss Brown suggests. Closets can be lined with Peg-Board to hold shelves for games or other storage.

If there are stubby built-in bookcases at both sides of the fireplace, they'll look better if they are continued to the ceiling according to Norma Brown, home decorating consultant to Masonite Corporation. She adds: "Make another striking improvement by paneling the area

Hollow-core doors for the closets can be purchased at bargain sales and covered with a plywood woodgrain, available in many colors and patterns. This method is easier and less expensive than buying top-grade doors or having them custom-built.

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