

# All-Purpose Containers Come In 12 Characters

Colorful all-purpose household containers in the form of a dozen characters are among the newest housewares items designed to brighten the home while performing utilitarian tasks.

Each People Pail stands 16 inches high without its "cap," and is made of Superstrand, a lightweight yet durable, water-resistant material. They are a product of Spiegel Industries, a manufacturer of household accessories.

They are ideal for use as storage containers to help keep order in a youngster's room, an adult's room, as

Martin Umanoff, a professional designer, designed the figures for the pails. An injection molded plastic "cap" or helmet tops each of the figures.

The Superstrand material from which the pails are made originally was developed for packaging and shipping artillery shells. Thus, it inherently has great strength and water-resistant qualities. In its application to People Pails, it receives additional treatment which extends these characteristics.

Retail price of each people pail is about \$2.99.



NEW, ALL-PURPOSE containers brighten the home while doing a multitude of tasks. There are 12 characters, each standing 16 inches tall without its cap.

# Popular Roses Traced To French Empress

Many of our most popular modern roses, including large quantities of All-America award winners, can be traced back and clearly owe their existence to a woman of olden times.

In the early 1800s, when the forward progress of garden roses had about come to a standstill, Napoleon's Empress Josephine acquired her magnificent estate, Malmaison, not far from Paris.

Having a great love for roses, she decided to collect the best roses from all over the world and have them planted in the huge cryman from Hammersmith, garden at Malmaison, every known variety of rose which, at that time, amounted to about 250.

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middle east, all over the continent, as well as England and America.

It mattered little to her that her husband was in a battle to the death with England. In fact, so the stories go, even though the British were blockading the French coast, if a ship bound for France bore some of Josephine's roses, the gallant Englishmen would let it through.

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Many public and private rose collections in Europe and in North America were inspired by the Malmaison roses.

The immensity of her effort gave the French a dominant place in rose breeding for many years, and that impetus still goes on.

# How To Care For Your Embossed Tile Floors

One of the many nice things about an embossed vinyl asbestos tile floor is that it always looks clean.

The design masks soiling, and loose dirt is hidden in the recesses, from which it is easily vacuumed or swept. Caring for this tile is just as easy—but not the same—as caring for smooth-surface floors.

Here are Better Floors Council recommendations for the maintenance of embossed vinyl asbestos tile:

- Sweep or vacuum only as often as necessary. There is no sense sweeping every day if the floor doesn't require it. But with frequent sweeping you won't have to wash the floor as often.

- Before you wash, always sweep or vacuum the floor thoroughly. The soapy water works better, and it is easier to rinse the floor clean. It is best to use a cleaner approved by the tile manufacturer; otherwise, use a neutral soap or diluted detergent solution.
- Remove stubborn stains with scouring powder and a damp sponge. Do not use steel wool on embossed tile.
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