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China is A Pottery Made Semi-Transparent

China is the general broad term applied to pottery that has been made semi-transparent by adding bone to the materials used in its manufacture. Porcelain is a semi-transparent pottery made from natural clays with no bone being used. Some of the best examples of the latter are Chinese, Dresden, Limoges, etc.

Earthenware is a descriptive term used to distinguish opaque pottery from china, stoneware, terra cotta, etc.

The first stage after firing in the making of china is called "bisquit." In this stage the ware is white and porous and ready for decoration. The decoration applied to the ware when it is in the biscuit state is called under-glaze, while that applied after it has been glazed is termed on-glaze.

Lusterware is pottery which has been decorated with gold, silver or copper.

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For curves, a nine-inch radius (minimum) can be cut by using about half the blade.

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Advise Reading Labels On Pre-Packaged Meats

To conserve the family food dollar when buying pre-packaged meat is well always to read the fine print on the container and it is also profitable to do some comparative figuring.

This is the advice to cost-conscious housewives from G. S. McIntyre, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture. The responsibility of food sanitation, proper labeling of edibles, grading and marketing is entrusted to the Bureau of Poods and Standards within the Department.

Department inspectors are currently encountering a brass of cases where ground beef or hamburger is being pre-packaged and sold as "steaks." Often fanciful descriptions and colored names crop out on the labels.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture is demanding proper identification of the pre-packaged product and proper labeling. But the housewife can do something about this herself. She can carefully read all the print on the package. Declaration of content plus net weight or numerical count must show.

Under the general food laws of Michigan, the use of any statement, design or device that is false or misleading in any particular is illegal, according to Miles A. Nelson, chief of the Department's Bureau of Poods and Standards.

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Proper Lighting Can Make A Dull Dining Room A Bright, Useful Spot

Have you looked at your lighting fixture in your dining room lately? If it's one of the older style fixtures with harsh, glaring, bare bulbs, you can be sure it's not flattering you, your family or your food's appearance.

It's hard to believe what a new fixture can do for a room. Since most women enjoy a touch of glamour, many new style dining room fixtures have their own built-in spotlight for dramatic highlights on china, silver and glassware.

Light touches are as important to good dining as the menu itself. One of the newer trends is toward square fixtures. These trim close-to-the-ceiling designs can give a lift to many an older room. In addition to the spotlight effect, this fixture also has five adjustable bulbs for generous amounts of light when the table is used for games, sewing or other activities. Additional lighting can be obtained in the built-in buffet. A fluorescent lamp and channel can be mounted behind a decorative front piece between the cabinets.

Another new idea for older rooms that can add glamour at small expense is a lighted valance over windows. Secret of a subtle sunshine effect is a fluorescent light concealed inside a decorative heading over the window. Many a home handy man can make his own lighted valance with the new ready-wired channels which need merely be plugged into the nearest electrical outlet.

Redecorating with paint and wallpaper will of course brighten any room, but don't stop there if the result isn't all you ever dreamed it would be. New lighting will not only create a more inviting atmosphere but will bring out the color and beauty of new paint and paper.

Many an older dining room is a natural for new interest with new lighting. A home handy man can conceal a fluorescent light in the window area. By using a ready-wired unit in a length to match the width of the window, this lighting trick is almost as simple as hanging a picture.

Beauty of many of the newer ceiling fixtures is the three-way effect that can be had without extensive rewiring. Spotlights can be turned on separately with the help of a long hook which looks like an old-fashioned button hook yet is glamorized for today's living.

Family Trend In State Toward Two Automobiles

Michigan wives and teen-agers, tired of being stranded when their breadwinner drives the family car to work, are sparking a statewide two-car boom, according to a recent survey by Universal C. I. T. Credit Corporation, the nation's largest independent automobile financing firm.

The survey was conducted by the heads of the company's 40 division offices throughout the nation. Twenty-one of the company's branch offices are in Michigan. In addition to observations of these experienced executives, the firm said, the survey included interviews with the hundreds of automobile dealers served by Universal C. I. T.

"Our survey disclosed that the major reasons behind the purchase of a second car," said Vice-president Elmer A. Rolley of Detroit, "are the trend to suburban living and the need for a second car for shopping and taking children to school when the husband uses the other car to get to work."

Another important reason, he said, is that millions of teen-agers are attaining driving age and an increasing number are able to afford automobiles. This factor will become more important, he pointed out, when the huge "war baby" population reaches driving age in the 1950's.

There are about 4,500,000 two-car families in the United States. The credit executive estimated that about 13 per cent of Michigan's car owning families have more than one car. The percentage probably will double over the next five years, he declared.



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