



PLEASANT HOMES

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QUILTS AND AFGHANS TO TEMPT CREATIVE FINGERS

Chintz Appliques Make Flower Quilts Easier Work — Peasant and Floral Designs Lead for Afghans.

Maybe the reason we don't do as much handwork as our ancestors used to is simply that we don't have as many children. Take Queen Anne for instance—she had twenty children... with all that time to kill, it's no wonder she brought English needlecraft to its higher flowering.

Women of old found great artistic expression in their handwork as well as in the extra children. I, for one, think more of both might help solve a lot of our modern discontent and maladjustment, though far be it from me to advocate twenty children! But oh me, oh my, I'd better not start telling you how many children to have. I'll be content with having my say about interesting quilts and afghans I hope you're going to like well enough to make yourself.

Pioneer Quilters

Quilts are an honored American craft. There I think a bit of originality is in order. So try to tell your family story in your quilts if you're a good hand at creating your own designs as the pioneer quilters did. And yet—some of the ready-bought patterns in the stores are so lovely they're a temptation. Generally speaking the applique quilts give more leeway for design interest, but they're slower work, of course, than the patchwork patterns.

One of the smartest quilt-spreads I've seen was made of wide strips of light blue and white cotton pieced together—the full length of the quilt—very modern looking it was. The back was of flowered percale. A floral quilting pattern was worked up the wide stripes like garlands. This quilt was used for a spread with a white box-pleated flounce. Quilts of fine soft chintz are a lovely luxury in Geraldine Farrar's home near Ridgefield, Conn.

The prettiest quilting job I've seen uses plain percale with garlands of flowered chintz applied on it for the design, then an extra fine quilting pattern—this is a much easier type of applique than making each flower and leaf yourself. Be sure it's a washable chintz.

With Quilted Headboard

I have seen some beautiful bedroom ensembles created on this idea. For instance, one old bed was completely rejuvenated by the use of a quilt spread made with applied chintz garlands along the flounce and then an interesting quilting over the plain top of the spread. The footboard of the bed was removed and the old headboard was upholstered and covered with the same design as was used for the spread—that is a quilted plain material with applied garlands. To finish off the room, a small slipper chair was upholstered in the same quilted material with the chintz flower garlands applied.

Another beautiful bedroom used a quilted spread made of a pale pink percale with a chintz flower garland applied for the border. The canopy of the bed was finished of the bedspread. Then to complete the picture, the valance for the windows could be made of the same quilted and applied pattern.

I think we're neglecting our destiny in not making more of flower quilting or trapunto work. Plain materials—either cotton or silk—can be so beautifully quilted in floral garlands, kreaths or sprays. And when you've done a piece of quilting like that, you've really accomplished a work of art. It would be suitable for quite a formal room. (Use the best materials, fine percale or pure silk, for this work so it will last longer than a lifetime).

Afghan Temptations

And afghans—what a temptation they are for the hand worker! One of the prettiest afghans this year is



If you are ingenious and love to quilt, here is an idea that would achieve something really artistic. Get flowered chintz in a color fast and washable finish, cut out the garlands and applique them on fine white percale or saten as shown here. Then do your handsomest quilting. There you would have an heirloom!

"Pansy Block" with dark maroon ground and soft pink-lavender flowers in cross patch. There's another all-over chintz looking pattern with the flowers crocheted in—it's called "Chintz Flower." The most distinctive afghan I've seen, however, is "Peasant"—brown with a cross stitch border showing a peasant courtship scene. The patterns for all these you can get in leading department stores. But here's an idea I'm crocheting into my afghan (for the upstairs family sitting room)—ten-inch stripes of beige separated by three-inch stripes of green. Up the beige stripes I'm having branches of pine with cones in cross patch.

White, Beige and Pale

Another idea I have that I hope to try out sometime soon in an afghan is to make the whole afghan of white squares and beige squares, these squares to be about seven inches across. When the afghan is completed I want to make a flower bouquet design in the white squares with pastel yarn embroidered in a long and short stitch, or lazy daisy stitch, whichever you call it. Wool embroidery is very effective on afghans, and if you are clever at doing it, you can get some very smart effects. One thing you will have to remember in embroidering on knitted afghans is that you want the body to be quite firm in order to give you a good solid fabric to embroider on. So use smallish needles.

Who else has an original afghan design—I'd love to hear about it. (Copyright, 1938, by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin).

How Yarmouth, N. S. Eliminated Diphtheria

(By J. W. S. McCullough, M.D., D.P.M.) Dr. L. M. Morton, in the Canadian Public Health Journal for October, 1938, relates his experience in the use of diphtheria toxoid for the control of diphtheria in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Yarmouth was early in the field of toxoid immunization. Dr. Morton, who

became medical officer of health of Yarmouth in 1928 was fresh from study in John Hopkins. His experience in Baltimore taught him the importance of immunization against diphtheria so he approached the Town Council in 1929, and explained the subject. He met with a very cold reception. One of the members of the council, a doctor, declared immunization was in the experimental stage, that it was dangerous and unsafe. Three months later, in May, 1929, the town had an epidemic of diphtheria. In the four succeeding months there were 60 cases with two deaths and two laryngeal cases saved only by tracheotomy.

Dr. Morton, grasped the opportunity. He was allowed to proceed with his experiment provided no additional money was spent. He began his campaign in August of the same year. The local press assisted by publishing articles written by the medical officer detailing the seriousness of the malady and extolling the virtues of diphtheria toxoid. A life insurance company secured and loaned a film on diphtheria which was shown free of charge by the local theatre. The company's agents carried literature on the subject into the homes they visited. Consent slips were distributed to all school children to be taken home for the parent's signature. With the aid of the district health nurse a Saturday morning clinic was established at the health centre. Careful records were kept. During the months of August and September 495 children received full immunization. This work has since then been carried on by successive medical officers and not a single case has developed in a child who had three doses of toxoid. Dr. Morton proudly points out the fact that diphtheria is a rarity in Yarmouth. Only one case was reported in 1937.

Match Cars to Find Hit and Run Driver

David D. Rigg Arrested on Charge Driving While Drunk. Released on Bail.

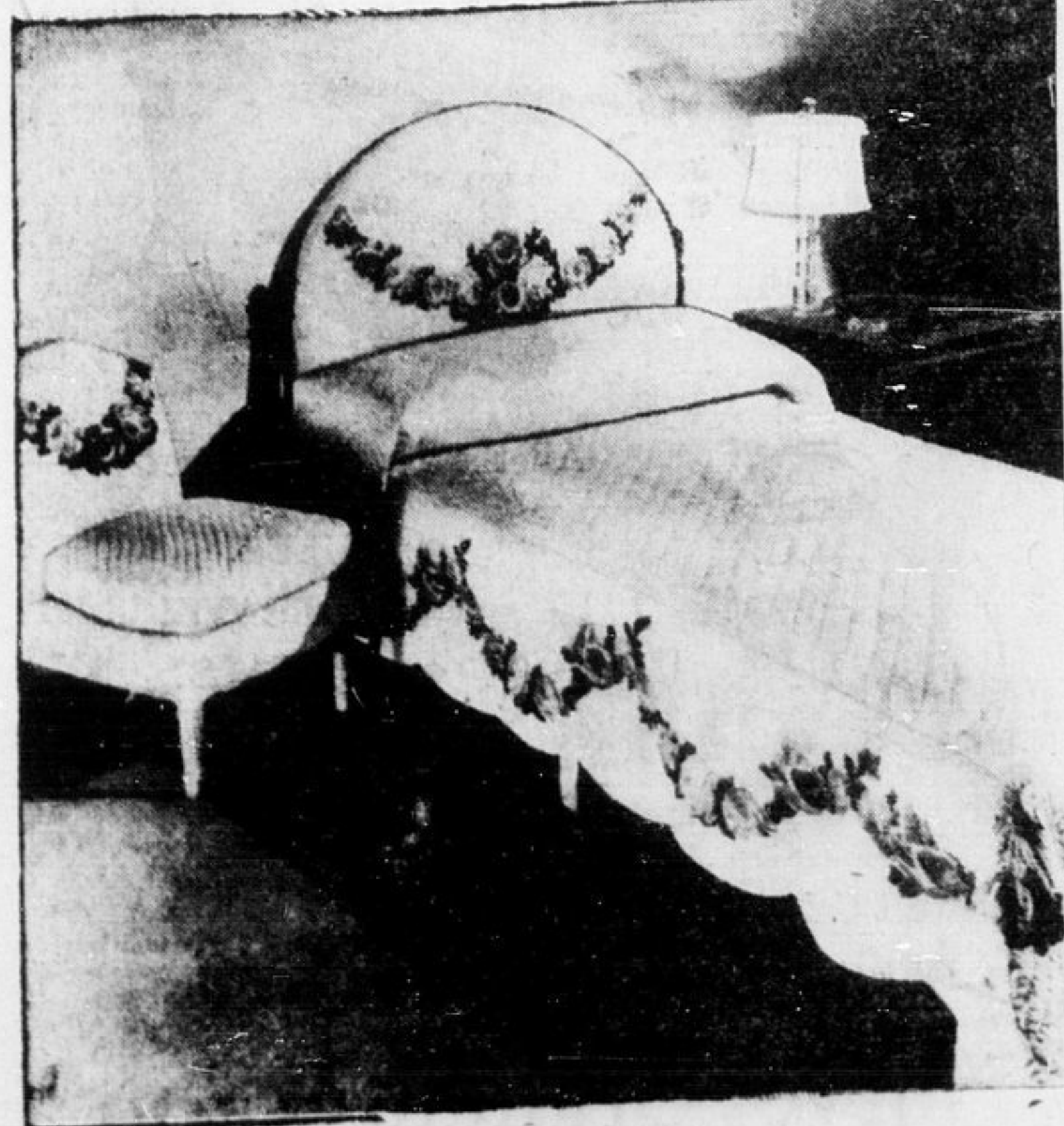
By matching a car that was struck by a hit and run driver with a car brought in to a Timmins garage for repairs shortly after the accident, police believe they have ascertained the identity of the motorist who struck Dr. E. A. McKittrick's automobile on Tuesday night late and then left the scene of the accident.

Dr. McKittrick's was driving on Fourth Ave. between Birch and Palsam streets when an automobile going in the opposite direction struck his car. The driver of the second car did not stop.

Shortly after, one of the garages reported that a damaged car had been brought in for repairs. Believing that it might be the automobile involved in the accident, police got the doctor's car and matched it with the automobile brought to the garage. The dents on both cars coincided in such a way as to lead police to believe that they had recently struck.

Accordingly David D. Rigg was arrested on a charge of driving while drunk. He was hauled before Magistrate A. Kinson on Wednesday morning and his case was remanded. Rigg was released on cash bail of \$250.

The youngsters will be interested to know that the origin of Santa Claus was St. Nicholas who used to distribute presents to "good children."



In this picture, both chair and headboard of the bed have been applied and quilted to match this spread. These were done by Eleanor Beard. This is my favorite afghan of the season—it is called "Pansy Block" and comes in lovely lavender to purple tones.

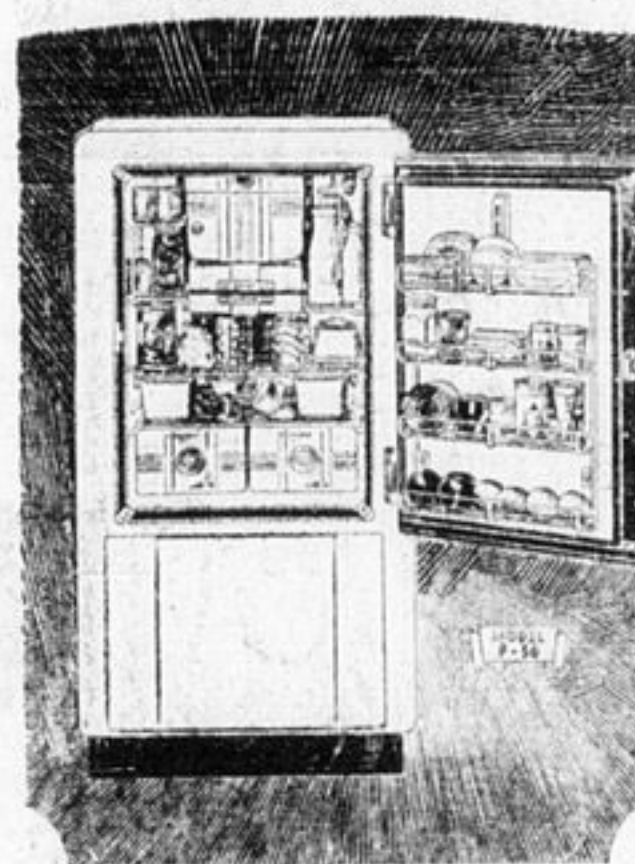
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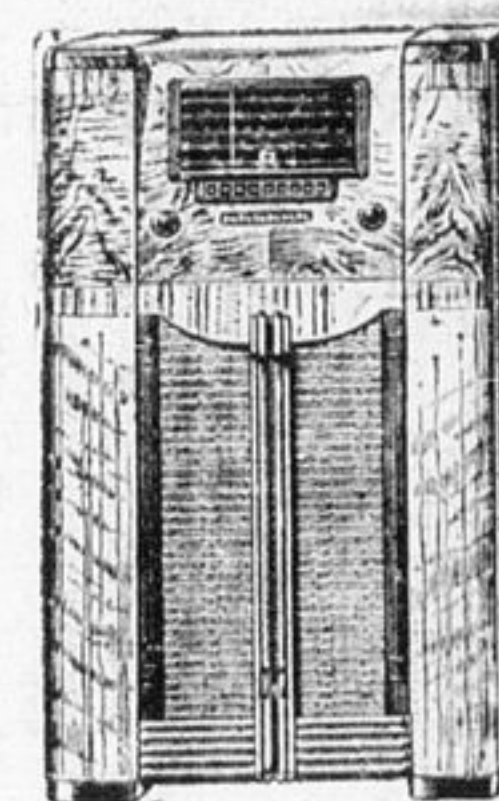
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