

# HOME WIRING SALIENT ITEM

## Efficient Wiring Reduces Light Bills

Most new houses today are planned with a view to having electricity. It is undoubtedly true, however, that the owner is frequently not familiar with the many modern applications of electricity for labor saving and comfort, and thinks of it only in connection with lighting purposes for which it was first used.

This results in insufficient outlets and awkwardly placed switches, and it is only after he is living in the house that these errors become apparent. As always, the making of changes or additions is then a more troublesome and expensive proceeding than correct foresight and provision in the first place would have cost.

Perhaps no one thing has more completely revolutionized modern life than the application of electricity to our daily problems. The difference between the dim, flickering candle of our grandfathers, and the steady, cheerful light of the electric bulb is but one example. And just as one push of a button will do the work that was once performed by the time-consuming operation of lighting a candle, caring for its drippings and replacing it at brief intervals, so, too, has electricity been made available as an ever-ready servant—swift, untiring, efficient, willing, in every department of the household. Whether it be cooking, cleaning, lighting, heating, electricity can do it more quickly, more safely, more simply than it could otherwise be accomplished.

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A common misunderstanding exists in the feeling that the possession of numerous outlets for electric current increases the cost of current consumed. But the fact that the house is properly wired for future use of labor-saving devices does not in any way affect the monthly bill. Electricity is only charged for when it is consumed. It is only consumed when current runs through the wires. Outlets themselves cost only their value as wire when they are originally installed, and this cost is trifling.

Many electrical appliances are themselves so expensive in the buying, and so trifling in the cost of upkeep that it is a rare reason to buy more and more of them from time to time as opportunity occurs and share the benefits of their constant use. The weekly cost of electric power in the average family is about 50 cents.

### Candles Can be Secured In Interesting Variety

Candles are made from wax, paraffin, tallow, palm oil and various other substances. They are either dipped, rolled or molded in order to form the desired size and shape.

Candles were made by dipping long before the molding process was invented. The wicks which hang from a supporting rod are dipped into a large vat, containing the melted substance. The saturated wicks are then cooled and again dipped and cooled, repeating the process until the desired size is obtained.

These candles resemble the bayberry candle and may be colored any desired shade. True bayberry candle comes only in the characteristic greenish shade.

Bayberry candles are made from a wax which forms the outside coating on the berries of the bayberry tree.

These trees grow in various parts of the United States.

This wax must be boiled, clarified and strained before it can be used for candles.

There is another kind known as the pine cone and corn candles which are examples of fancy molded candles. After removing from the molds the wax is colored in a characteristic manner. The Italian antique is also a molded candle, the peculiar coloring being the result of mixing colored wax to give the appearance of age.

## BEAUTIFY UGLY FLOOR WITH GOOD LINOLEUM

An old splintery floor is certainly not very conducive to peace of mind, when the floor is in a bedroom and you are accustomed to walking around a great deal in your bare feet. Of course boudoir slippers are supposed to be worn upon the occasions of robing and disrobing, but they somehow are very often misplaced or are not within arm's reach, so that you are forever unconsciously jeopardizing your comfort and inviting the possibility of blood poisoning by tramping around the old boards. With children and especially babies in the house the undesirability of old floors is tenfold increased.

It would be wonderful wouldn't it, if every one of us could have a brand new house with brand new hardwood floors in it? But very often we can't even have new floors built into our old houses, and so we need to be reminded that linoleum covering is the very best way to hide the old ones. You can have a mighty attractive and permanent floor if you use the genuine linoleum, not one of the substitutes, and have it laid properly by an expert from the reputable store where you bought it. There are linoleums in plain colorings and other neat patterns which are appropriate and also very artistic for your bedroom, and which form a splendid background for one or two inexpensive rugs. Think of the sanitation which you then would have and also the peace of mind. When waxed occasionally, the genuine linoleum practically never wears out.

### AMERICAN MADE RUGS

Yankee ingenuity has caused American rug manufacturers to duplicate, through human-like machinery, many of the handsomest of handwrought patterns found in oriental rugs of great value. The rugs are produced in domestic brussels and velvets, affording excellent floor coverings. Such a rug is more regular, more perfect and lies flatter on the floor.

Mrs. W. J. Taylor, 510 Cumnor road, spent the preceding week-end in De Kalb.

## Wilmette Men Purchase Large Northbrook Tract

A syndicate composed of E. R. Nourse, G. T. Hellmuth and others, has purchased a block of land in Northbrook at the junction of Waukegan road and Shurmer avenue, both of which are paved highways.

This location, it is explained, is to be the principal business district of the rapidly growing west north shore suburb, which is provided with sewer, gas and electric light service. Many new homes are under construction and streets are being paved.

The purchasers, about a year ago, acquired 20 acres on Lake avenue, west of Ridge avenue, Wilmette, which has since been resold for subdivision at a substantial profit, it is explained.

## Plan to Radiocast Real Stories by Little Tots

Miss Frances Cutler of 347 Hazel avenue, Highland Park, will tell stories over the Tribune radio (W.G.N.) during Skeezix Hour, 5:30 to 6 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, October 25, when the program will again be under the direction of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college.

Last week the stories were told by Miss Christine Heinig of Hubbard Woods, who made the interesting announcement that if children will write—or have some one write down for them—a really, truly original story, and send it in to the Kindergarten Lady, Tribune Radio, Drake hotel, the college will pick out the best story each week and have it told over the radio.

### BUILDS \$28,000 HOME

R. L. Hurlburt was granted a permit by the Village of Kenilworth, this week, to build a residence at 310 Raleigh road to cost \$28,000.

Aurelio Coccia, well known on the vaudeville stage in this country and in Europe as the originator of the Apache dance, has been signed by Allan Dwan for a role in "Argentine Love," featuring Bebe Daniels and Ricardo Cortez.

## HERE'S TIMELY HINT FOR THE NEWLYWEDS

"—and we do solemnly promise to set aside something in our yearly budget that will bring beauty into our lives."

If every bride and groom would make this silent vow, realizing the great impetus toward continued happiness afforded by a common interest in the beautiful, then any investment in beautifying the home would have returns in married contentment and harmony.

Pictures represent art in its most

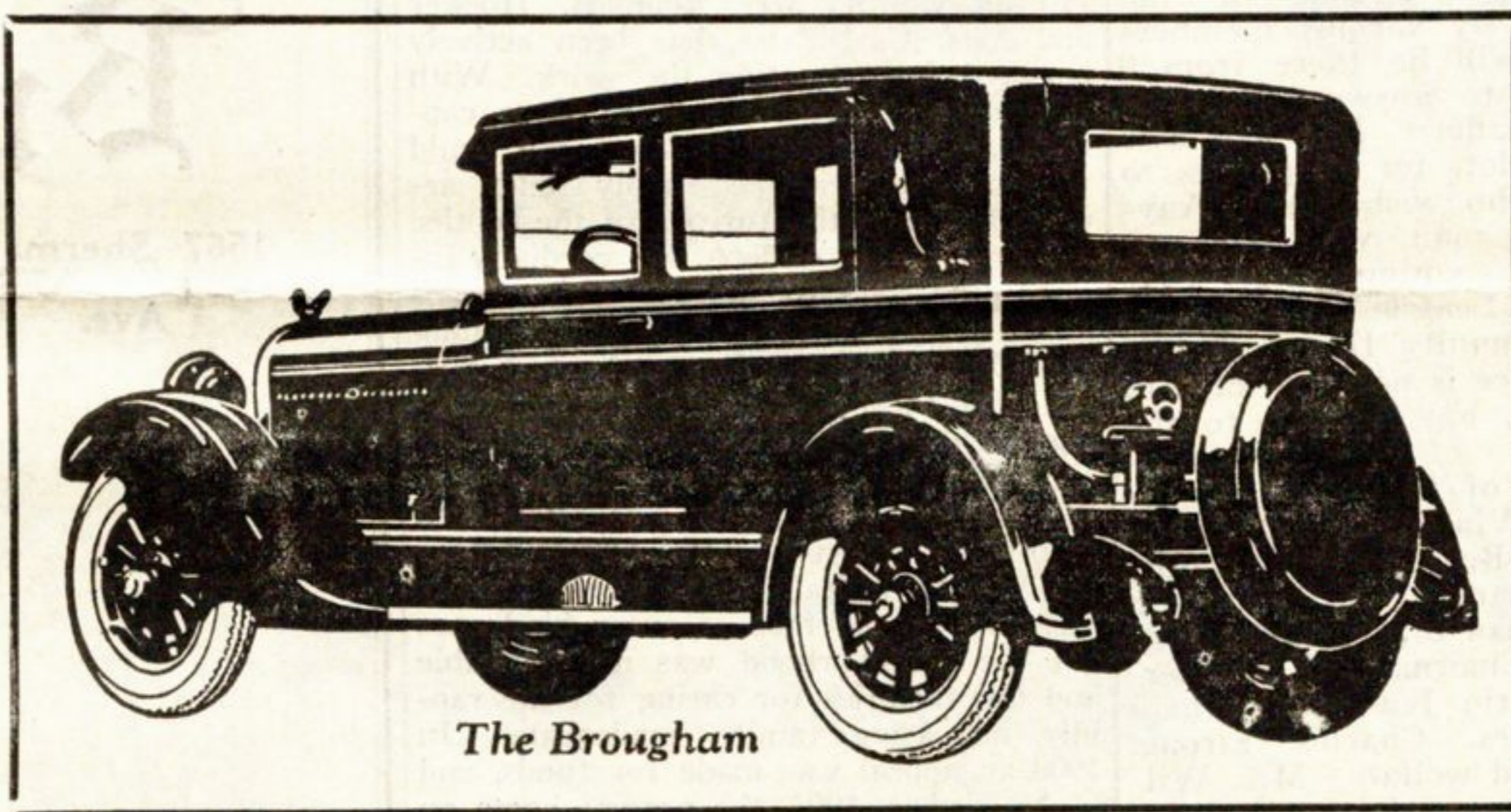
delightful form. They do more than any one thing in a room to bring into it color and interest and loveliness. They help to make of the home a place that is pleasing to come back to. Pictures well chosen improve the appearance of the furniture, the draperies and the rugs in a house, and thus make it the more livable.

As the life of the spirit is more important to happiness than material life, so there should be a definite sum set aside each year for developing this finer side, and pictures should be among the regular purchases of the family.

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