

'Do-It-Yourself' Trend Seems on Wane, AHA Finds

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New York — (U.P.) — The popular image of the homeowner as a harassed do-it-yourselfer who spends most of his time around the house mending and patching is not necessarily an accurate picture.

Allied Homeowners Association, an organization which provides a clearing house of repair and maintenance services for homeowner members, finds the average homeowner is anything but a "slave" to his house and the do-it-yourself trend seems on the wane — except for those projects which the individual tackles because he truly enjoys them.

A great many homeowners have found that it is less expensive, in the long run, to have a professional do the job. Arthur Yeckes, AHA president, said:

For the homeowner who does not want to do it himself, AHA has some suggestions on reducing maintenance and improvement costs by "off-season" shopping.

During spring, summer and fall, for instance, Yeckes said, painting contractors with an abundance of work have been known to submit discouragingly high estimates, with the knowledge they cannot handle the job anyway. If the customer is impatient to have the work done and agrees to the high price, the contractor may then "bump" or delay a less lucrative customer. In winter, however, when weather prevents outside work, painters often are willing to make price concessions to obtain enough inside work to keep key employees busy.

Summer is the best time for chimney and fireplace cleaning and other work pertaining to the heating system. The time to shop for a swimming pool is in the fall. Homeowners usually do not think of having patios, barbecues and walks installed except when weather is mild and they can use the new facilities. However, concrete and masonry contractors can work in cold weather by using chemical conditioning agents in their mixes and their prices probably will reflect their need for off-season jobs.

Roofing prices, AHA found, may be influenced by wind and weather rather than seasons. Contractors usually are kept busy during and after a raining or snowy period. The best time to have a roof inspected for potential trouble spots or loose shingles is during a prolonged dry and mild spell, when contractors have no emergencies to contend with. Water-proofing of basements is subject to the same general influence.

Fencing, installation of underground sprinkler systems, lawnmower, air-conditioning and screening repairs usually can be done at highly competitive prices during the winter months, before the start of the seasonal rush for these kinds of services.

Restaurant Profits Shown Extremely Low
New York — (U.P.) — Five years of studying the food service industry shows that the average restaurant makes only 0.3 to 0.7 per cent net profit after income taxes, according to the National Restaurant Association.

This means, the report said, that the average eatery can easily be thrown into bankruptcy by management mistakes, a drop in sales caused by months of bad weather, wage hikes, or changes in government regulations.

Fur Brings Highest Price In History
New York — (U.P.) — If you're planning on buying your wife a mink coat in the near future you can expect to pay more than ever.

At recent auctions at the Hudson's Bay Co. Fur Sales, Inc., American dark ranch mink brought the highest price in the history of the fur trade — \$150 a pelt.

DESIGN INSTANT SCHOOL
Cambridge, Mass. — (U.P.) — Two members of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology architecture department faculty have designed an "instant schoolhouse." The building, made of prefabricated fiberglass on plywood panels, can be adapted to any need, expanded, converted, even taken apart and reassembled at a new location. The flexible structure is put together by bolting the panels to four screw columns, called "trees."

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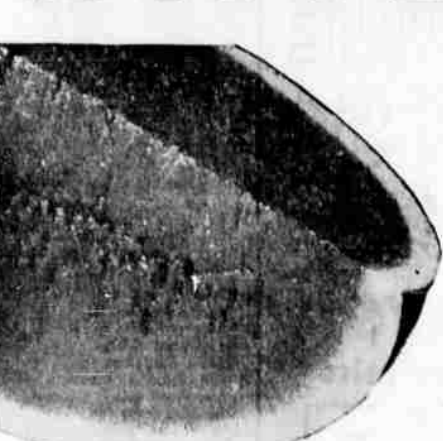
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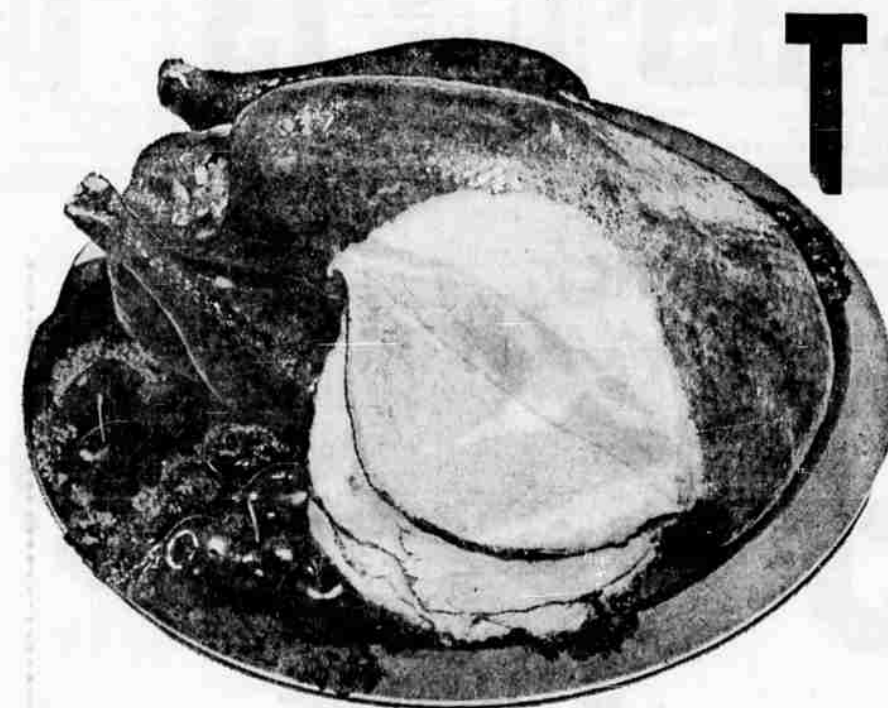
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Short Glossary Of Space Terms Just Published

By JOSEPH L. MYLER
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Washington — (U.P.) — You may be suffering from an aberration if you think you know what a jerk is.

Unless, that is, you have been reading the "Short Glossary of Space Terms" just published by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

An aberration is not just a crazy notion. It also is "the apparent displacement of the position of a celestial body in the direction of motion of the observer."

A jerk is more than a punchy oaf; it is "a vector that specifies the time rate of change of an acceleration."

Change — The "Short Glossary" may change your attitude toward angels, and perhaps even toward attitudes. An angel is a radar echo "caused by a physical phenomenon not discernible to the eye." Attitude is "the position or orientation of a spacecraft."

A bit less colloquial, it less bracing, is the definition of bit: "A unit of information." Bit is short for binary digit.

If you want to know what chugging means, see chugging. Chugging, the glossary says, is a noisy "form of combustion instability" in a rocket engine. It is "also called chugging."

Debug — If you want to know what debug means, do not see debug. Debug means "to isolate and remove malfunctions from a device." It is not also called delouse.

You might get the idea from a non-space dictionary that an epoch is an era of sorts. "The glossary says it is 'a particular instant for which certain data are valid.'"

Garbage is "miscellaneous objects in orbit," and gox is gaseous oxygen as distinguished from lox, which is liquid oxygen.

G-Suit — A G-Suit is not the insubstantial foundation garment of a strip tease, but garb worn by astronauts "to prevent or reduce the collection of blood below the chest under positive acceleration."

Hunting is not a blood sport but the fluctuation of an instrument needle. Main bang is the transmitted pulse of a radar, and to mate is to "fit together two major components of a system."

Outgassing is not what politicians try to do to each other; it is "the evolution of gas from a solid in a vacuum." Nor is purging what politicians try to do to each other; to purge is "to rid a line or tank of residual fluid."

Weightlessness is Zero G and Zero G is weightlessness. This may sound like, but is not, spitting.

Sputtering is the "dislocation of surface atoms of a material bombarded by high-energy atomic particles."

Statistics Given On Lawnmower Accidents
Chicago — (U.P.) — The National Safety Council estimates power lawn mower accidents cause 75,000 injuries a year. Seven out of 10 accidents result from direct contact with the motorized mowers. Three out of ten are caused by objects thrown by the mowers.

Supermarkets Invade Retail Toy Business
New York — (U.P.) — Supermarkets, of all places, are capturing larger and larger chunks of the nation's toy business.

Of the \$1.7 billion worth of toys purchased in 1961, \$73 million were sold in supermarkets, according to Retail Memo, a weekly digest of retail forecasts.

STRONTIUM IN CORN
University Park, Pa. — (U.P.) — Pennsylvania State University scientists are conducting research on the absorption of strontium by various strains of corn. The study is being carried out under a \$44,866 grant from the Atomic Energy Commission. It is believed that one of the principal avenues for ingestion of strontium by humans is milk from cows that have eaten corn-silage.

THE TEXAS WAY
New York — (U.P.) — The Latex Foam Rubber Council reports that the new Houston, Tex., stadium, scheduled for completion in 1964, will be covered by a translucent plastic dome rising 200 feet over some 26,000 foam rubber upholstered box seats. Incidentally, the stadium will have an air-conditioning system.