

Kitchen Designer Says They Are Full of Ghosts

By JOYCE SCHULLER
Chicago — (UPI) — Kitchen designer Louis P. Thompson has turned "ghost breaker."

He's out to exorcise the spectres of bygone days that still influence the design and layout of many kitchens.

"The ice man is the liveliest ghost of all," said Thompson, a designer for Geneva Kitchens. He pointed out that the ice-carrier's "drippy" entrance — though long forgotten — still results in frequent placement of the refrigerator at the back door.

Refrigerators should have the freedom of the kitchen and be more conveniently placed, Thompson advised.

He maintained that the range, too, has been "living in the past" and suggested moving it from the usual spot near the entrance to the dining room. The dining room no longer is the only dining spot in the house, he said.

It's high time, too, said Thompson, to dispense with the obsolete formula for laying out the kitchen as "corridor," "L" or "U" shape, in favor of a more efficient "working triangle." The sink, range and refrigerator form the three working centers of the triangle, with walking distance between any two centers held to a maximum of 22 feet.

Thompson dismisses the notion that cabinets must be situated along the walls, as once was customary. He suggested building cabinets out from the wall — peninsula or room-divider style — to create new cabinet-top counter space.

Much kitchen furniture, too, in Thompson's view, is still haunted by the past "when design was restricted to the quaint and the cute, to the kettle, the spoon and rooster motifs."

He advocated more sophisticated furnishings now that it has become as livable as any other room in the house, thanks to venting systems that eliminate cooking odors, decorator-toned cabinets and built-in silent appliances.

Carving Tip

No matter who does the carving of the holiday roast at your house, remind him of the first rule of carving. "Cut across the grain." This will produce slices with the best texture and most attractive appearance. Steaks are the exception. They are carved with the grain.

Jewelry For Hair Fashionable

United Press International
Costume jewelry with an uplift: One manufacturer features jewels for the coiffure. Simulated pearl and rhinestone pins in spray, floral and star clusters "sit" and with ease in the Vendome jewelry holiday collection.

The shirt buttons down the side in a startling new concept in men's shirt fashion. The side-button shirt leaves the chest front free for horizontal pleating.

For the sub-teen set: A Norfolk jacket in houndstooth check with a hip-hugging belt. Use as a top for reed-slim pants.

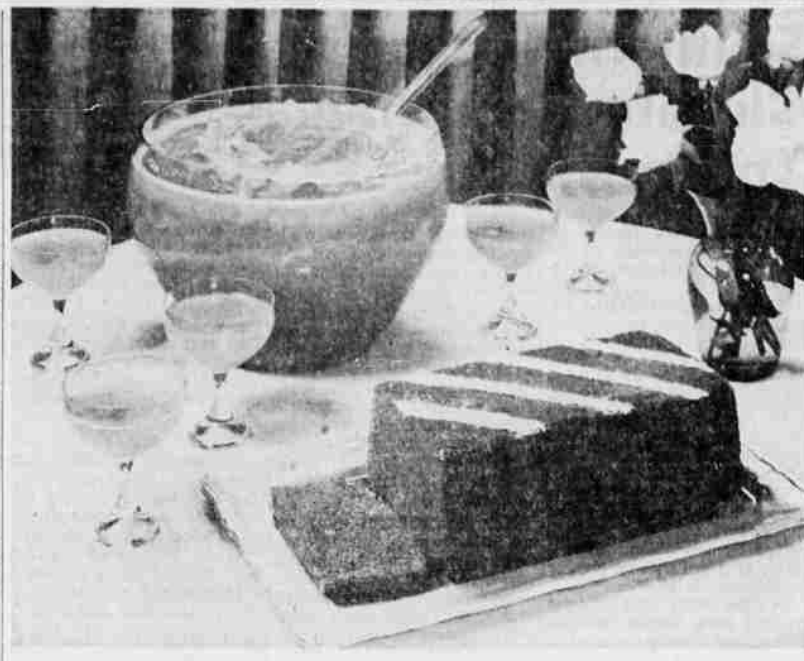
Stepping ahead, look for patents and textures to edge out smooth leather shoes this spring. There are two trends, the first for one all color, and the second for color as a sparkling accent.

Looking for a travel suit coordinate? Try a tone-on-tone striped jacket as a topping for a slim skirt and sleeveless mock turtle neck shirt.

The color palette for the coming season will feature such tones as poppy pink and periwinkle blue. Neutrals will receive their share of attention, too, in sandstone, pebble green, and antique gold.



NEW FABRIC — The coat of the Evening, a luxurious new velvet-type cotton for sportswear. The White Stag design features tab and buckle closure and comes in new coffee house colors.



Golden Tea Punch and dark rich Luxury Loaf cake will make welcome additions to New Year's Eve gatherings of friends and numerous church organizations as they form watch parties to see out the old year and welcome the new. In the punch, which is without alcoholic content, can be floated a clear ice mold, or a more colorful mold made with fruits, Della Robbia Ice Wreath, for which instructions also are given here.

Yreka Women Schedule Trip

Yreka — Plans for members of the Yreka Nile club to attend a ceremonial for the Daughter of the Nile to be held February 21 in Paradise, Calif., were made at a club meeting December 19. The supreme queen, Mrs. Hazel Marshall, Des Moines, Ia., will conduct the ceremonial sessions and the Yreka group plans to make the trip by chartered bus. Mrs. Ed Matthews is in charge of transportation and those who plan to make the trip are to contact her.

At the recent meeting, Mrs. Elwin Adams, president, conducted the business meeting. Sewing for crippled children in Shriner hospitals was the diversion and many of the articles were completed.

A memorial service was held for the late Mrs. Ruby Gaynor.

At the close of a meeting refreshments were served from a buffet table decorated in the holiday theme. In charge were Mesdames Orlo Davis, Brice Long, Frank Day, Ralph Leavers, Engel Hjertager, Gladys Hart and Anita Martin.

Take soil samples for testing before the ground freezes. Then you can order the proper fertilizers in time to take advantage of early order discounts.

Refreshments Play Part In New Year Gatherings

On New Year's eve, many friends and numerous church organizations will gather in groups to form watch parties to see out the old year and welcome the new.

Refreshments of course will play an important part in the evening.

Luxury Loaf, baked dark and rich with semi-sweet chocolate morsels, and Golden Tea punch (without alcoholic content) will make tasty and refreshing additions to the gala occasion.

LUXURY LOAF

One six-ounce package (one cup) semi-sweet chocolate morsels; one cup butter or shortening; one teaspoon vanilla; one-fourth teaspoon mace or nutmeg; one cup sugar; five eggs; two cups sifted all-purpose flour; one teaspoon baking powder; one-half teaspoon salt; one-fourth cup orange juice; one-fourth cup finely chopped nuts; grated rind of one orange.

Melt semi-sweet chocolate morsels over hot (not boiling) water. Cream butter with vanilla and mace. Gradually add sugar and beat until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Blend in melted semi-sweet chocolate morsels. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Add alternately to chocolate mixture with orange juice. Stir in nuts and orange rind. Turn into a wax paper lined 10 x 5 x 3-inch pan. Bake in a slow oven (300 degrees) 1 hour, 40 minutes. Cool. Invert cake on platter. If desired, sprinkle top of cake with sifted confectioners' sugar.

GOLDEN TEA PUNCH

Two cups water; two rounded tablespoons instant tea; one-half cup sugar; three cups orange juice; one cup lemon juice; one cup pineapple

juice; one-fourth cup grenadine (a non-alcoholic flavoring that can be purchased at grocery stores); one 28-ounce bottle ginger ale; ice mold, or Della Robbia Ice Wreath.

Combine in two-quart container and stir briskly water and instant tea. Add sugar and stir to dissolve. Add orange juice, lemon juice, pineapple juice and grenadine. Chill. Place ice mold in punch bowl. Pour in instant tea mixture and ginger ale. Yield: 22 four-ounce servings.

To make the plain ice mold as shown in the photograph, fill metal gelatin mold with water and freeze. Or, if preferred, make a more colorful frozen ring with fruits.

DELLA ROBBIA ICE WREATH

In the bottom of a ring mold that will fit in your punchbowl, arrange pineapple rings and spiced apple rings. Place green maraschino cherries in the center of the apple rings and red maraschino cherries in the center of the pineapple rings.

Place apricot or peach halves between the fruit rings and pour a shallow layer of water into the mold. Freeze to set fruits in place. Add more water to fill mold and freeze until solid. Set briefly in a basin of warm water to loosen, then turn into punch, fruit-side up.

Brother Here

Central Point — Victor Warner, San Francisco, is spending the Christmas holidays with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Walker, 4229 Hamrick road. Mr. Warner will also visit relatives in Crescent City before returning home.

Preferential Tea Is Given By ESA Chapter

Yreka — A preferential tea and pledge ceremony were held recently at the home of Mrs. Oscar Plomme for members and pledges of Gamma Pi chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority.

Mrs. Forest Seright conducted the ceremony which preceded the tea when pledge pins were given to Mrs. Gene Burgess, Mrs. Jack Clark, Mrs. Robert Neill, Mrs. L. R. Perkins and Mrs. Earl Thatcher. Mrs. Joe Reindl, who also is pledging, was unable to attend.

Mrs. Richard Silva, vice president and rushing chairman, assisted with the ceremony.

Members and new pledges then were served tea by Mrs. Ken Johnson and coffee by Mrs. Jerry Edwards. The serving table was decorated with a Christmas centerpiece of driftwood, and holiday ornaments, loaned to the sorority by Mrs. George Bray for the occasion.

The new pledges and the president, Mrs. Seright, were presented chrysanthemum corsages.

Holiday Guests

Central Point — Mr. and Mrs. William Saxbury, 105 Princess street, have as holiday guests, Mr. Saxbury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mann, Chico, Calif.

Munchers Might Try Hot Cheese Nibblers

Snack-time is becoming an American tradition. In the afternoon when the youngsters get home from school or in the evening when your favorite shows come on are times when munching seems most appropriate.

To satisfy mid-afternoon or mid-evening nibblers, home economists suggest this. Open a can of the cheese flavored shoestring potatoes and heat them in the oven. They're delicious served piping hot. The combination of cheese and potato makes these little sticks a perfect snack food, hot or cold.

Take a squeak out a door by rubbing the hinge with a lead pencil.

'Checker of Year' Is To Be Selected

Chicago — (UPI) — The "Checker of the Year" will be selected from 10 finalists at the annual convention of the Super Market Institute in Chicago in May.

Some 40,000 checker-cashiers from more than 4,000 retail food stores throughout this country and Canada will compete. The winner will receive a trip to Hawaii and two runners-up will win vacations at the Hollywood Beach hotel in Florida.

Mother Visits

Ashland — Mrs. Neva Botts, Lewiston, Ida., is spending Christmas week in Ashland with her son, Bradford Botts, and family, 2921 Barbara street.

Couple Here

Central Point — Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDonald, Pullman, Washington, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Lull, on Military Highway. The Lulls are the parents of Mrs. McDonald.

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