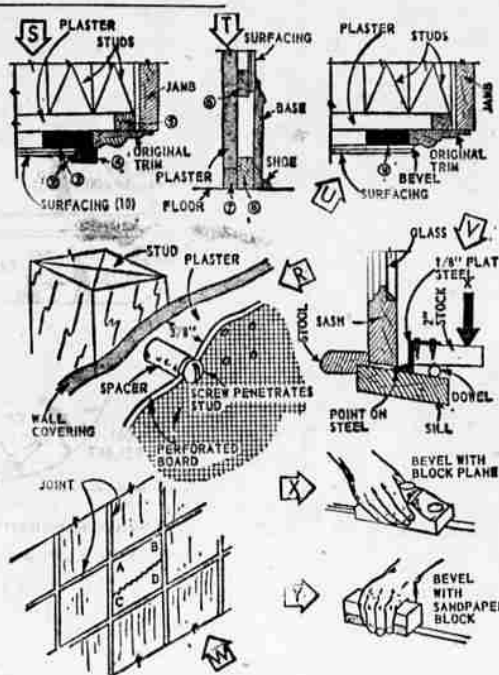


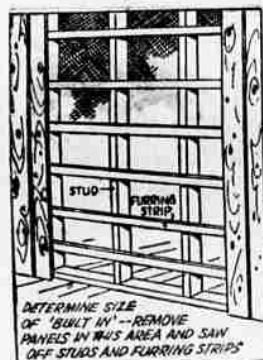
DO-IT-YOURSELF



Several Plans Used In Remodeling Jobs

Remodeling work entails many procedures. Several are explained and illustrated in answer to reader inquiries.

Damaged plastered walls and partitions take on a new look when remodeled with pressed wood, or any of the new surface materials. These materials come



in natural finishes or can be painted, and are mostly installed with wood furring strips or spacers. Applying surface materials around doors and bases often creates a problem.

Picture S shows the plaster, ground 5, jamb, and original trim around a door opening. To install new surface material, 10, additional ground must be placed at 3. The ground is actually one of the furring strips. Install trim, 4, and a quarter-round, 2, after the surface material is in place.

Picture U shows a simpler method of trimming around a door opening with new surface material. The furring strip, 9, is placed next to the original trim. Then the surface material is nailed to the furring and overlaps part of the original trim. When the surface material is beveled, as shown, this method of trimming is satisfactory.

Picture T shows a baseboard installed with new surface material. Remove the base before the surface material is applied. Use a furring strip, 6, to back up the bottom of the surface material and top of base. A thicker strip, 8, should be installed so it can be nailed to the original ground, 7. The baseboard nails enter strips 6 and 8. Nail the shoe to the floor.

TO MOUNT PEGBOARD

A space of at least three-eighths inch must be provided between perforated boards and the original

plaster so hooks can be placed in the holes in the boards. Three-eighths inch fibre spacers can be used as shown in picture R. The screws should go through the lath and plaster and enter the studs. Space them about 24 inches apart.

OPENING STUCK WINDOWS

Picture V shows how a piece of two-inch wood stock and a flat steel hook (which can be made in any machine shop) are used to loosen stuck sash of double hung windows. Insert the point of the hook under the bottom rail of the sash. Place a small wood block or a piece of wood dowel under the two-inch stock as shown. Then hammer lightly, to avoid glass breakage, as indicated by arrow X. Move the pry to various places along the length of the sash, especially at the ends.

REPLACING BROKEN TILE

Picture W shows how broken bathroom floor or wall tile can be replaced with new pieces. Tile ABCD is broken. Open the joints along AB, BD, etc. with a chisel and hammer, and remove the piece of tile and the mortar back of it. Moisten the area, apply cement mortar and shove the new piece of tile into place. The joints around the new tile can be filled with a white mortar-like preparation available in tubes. All the required materials are carried at hardware stores or lumber yards.

TO BEVEL EDGES

To bevel the edges of surface materials, as shown in picture U, use a plane or sandpaper block as indicated in pictures X and Y.

Tranquilizing Drugs Receive Approval

The Food and Drug Administration has approved the use of a tranquilizing drug, trifluor, for use on cattle before and after shipment to feedlots.

The company which makes the drug (Schering Corporation) claims the tranquilizer will reduce weight losses and shrinkage during shipment. The firm says the drug will also reduce shipping fever . . . and it claims the product also helps cattle adjust to the new environment of feedlots.

LOOKING AHEAD

SYRACUSE, N. Y. (UP) — A burglar, working in zero weather broke into James L. Volan's house and trundled away in the snow with about \$400 worth of clothing—summer clothing.

National Parks Braced For Summer Visits By Millions

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WASHINGTON (NEA) — If you want to spend your summer vacation gazing at scenery in a national park, you had better wait until one is established on the moon.

Chances are that the greatest natural wonders you'll be able to see on earth this summer are people—millions of people.

The U.S. National Parks and Forests are getting ready for the biggest invasion of rubbernecking, camera-toting tourists in their history.

Park Service officials of the U.S. Interior Department expect that at least 63,500,000 men, women and children will feed the bears, light camp fires and get cricks in their necks watching geysers before the year has ended.

Agriculture Department experts, who run the national forests, won't be surprised if more than 66 million tourists converge on the wooded territory under their jurisdiction.

Both agencies find this anticipated tourist boom both startling and disturbing. So many people are suddenly getting the urge to return to nature that government expansion programs can't move fast enough to take care of them.

Two years ago, the Interior Department started a building program designed to get the parks ready for an estimated 80 million tourists in 1966. Now, however, officials believe that park attendance will reach that figure by 1964.

That's why campers will probably find the clutter of hammers and saws as natural to outdoors, living as the roar of a waterfall or the whisper of a mountain breeze. The parks' present and future recreation needs will cause construction crews to stay on the job throughout the summer months, officials explain.

The situation faced by the national forests is even more serious. The approximately 66 million attendance record they expect this year is slightly higher than than originally estimated for 1962.

Actually, though, the booming crowds will be the only drawback to a pleasant back-to-nature vacation. The expansion programs have

put the parks and forests in better condition than ever before.

Since it started a year ago, Operation Outdoors has equipped the forests with 200 new camp and picnic grounds and expanded 700 others. The five-year program calls for doubling existing camping and picnicking facilities to about 83,500 family units.

By the end of June some 1,500 projects will be either completed or under construction in the Parks' Operation 66. These include new roads, parkways, camp grounds, amphitheaters and parking areas.

This year's Yellowstone Park

tourists can enjoy a new cabin development capable of housing 1,650 guests. It's scheduled for completion by July 1 along with a new cafeteria, general store and service station.

The Grand Canyon has 96 new cabin units capable of holding 400 guests. And on June 30 Yosemite National Park will open a new 270 guest development complete with restaurant, service center and souvenir shop.

Park officials warn, however, that these improvements have made no change in the disposition of the bears.



FAMILY LIFE in the open is enjoyed by these campers using National Park facilities at Yosemite in California.

AMPLE SHELF SPACE

For adequate storage space, the kitchen should be planned to include a total of six square feet of shelf space for each member of the family, the National Institute of Wood Kitchen Cabinets advises. The use of revolving shelves in corner cabinets puts to use space which otherwise would be wasted.

ONE-TWO-THREE

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Begin with two triangular frame-works braced with centerpieces the width you wish to make the awning. Then reinforce the corners with angle pieces, cut the slats the proper length, and cover the wooden skeleton with the slats. They may be nailed flush or about an inch apart, depending on the style you prefer.

The long face board that served as the blind cornice should be nailed to the top of the assembly so the awning can be screwed to the window frame through this piece.

PRETTY HEAVY

There are sixteen known species of wood native to the U.S. which, even when oven dry, have a specific gravity of over 1.0, which means they will not float in water. Some butt logs of west coast hemlock have so much water in them they sink, but when dried, they make one of the nation's most attractive and lighter weight lumber.

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