

● **Appliances**

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edge, the rug will look good on a light floor, but will stand out on a dark floor and give the impression of being larger.

Colors that are too bright when the rug is new often will gradually blend together as the rug gets older. But the question is, can you live with it while it is new? And a rug that is just right may gradually get somewhat duller and more colorless.

**NYLON CARPETS**

Read the label carefully on the nylon carpet you are considering. If the label does not state "made of carpet nylon" you would be wise to pass up the carpet regardless of its beauty.

Carpet nylon is several times heavier and stronger than regular textile nylon fibers. Carpet nylon can withstand the hard wear that a floor covering gets. Unfortunately, not all nylon carpets are made of carpet nylon fibers. Be cautious of bargains in nylon carpets. Such carpets may be made of regular nylon fibers or nylon waste and won't wear well. Be sure to read the label.

Carpet nylon is resilient, offering excellent crush recovery. It is one of the longest wearing fibers ever used in carpets, and it may be dyed any color from pale tints to vivid hues.

If the carpet you are considering is a nylon blend, be sure there is at least 20 percent carpet nylon blended with the other fibers, such as wool and cotton, to give strength and longer life to the carpet. Less than 20 percent carpet nylon in the blend does not contribute much to the wearability of the carpet, a 30 percent carpet nylon content is preferable.

**FLUFF FROM NEW RUG**

There's no cause for concern if your new rug or carpet sheds, or if large amounts of fibers and fluff show up in your vacuum cleaner. The carpet is not disappearing — all the tufts are right there firmly anchored. Fluff from a new rug that shows up in the cleanings is left in during manufacture. Like the basting threads in a garment, fluff is meant to be removed. It is made up of short fibers which drop back into the pile when the rug surface is clipped.

Fluff does not affect the life or quality of the rug or carpeting. High quality rugs and carpets will yield such fiber, sometimes even for months. With the regular use of your vacuum cleaner, the day will arrive when all the loose ends have come to the surface. The amounts of shedding is only a small fraction of the weight of the rug in its whole lifetime.

**CLEANING YOUR RUG**

A light pickup each day with the vacuum or carpet sweeper is a good idea. A vacuum will do a better job than the carpet sweeper because it uses suction as well as brushing.

If something is spilled on your rug, take care of it immediately. Get a dull knife or use a spoon and pick up any particle you can. If damp, put some kind of blotting material on it such as a clean, white cloth or cleansing tissues.

The best solution you can use to clean it is a mild detergent in water or a mild solution of white vinegar in water. Use a teaspoon of each in a quart of warm water. Apply this in small amounts and blot it as soon as you can. Allow the spot to dry. Dry cleaning fluid is a good remedy for oily substances.

Drying the spot is important. Get something underneath so that the air can get around and under the spot. Keep metal legs of furniture off the carpet. A

**Best Food Buys**

**Holiday Feasting Still Sets Market**

Holiday feasting continues this week-end as families plan to meet together to celebrate the arrival of the new year. The abundant food production of America's farms will provide economical foods for the feast and a bright outlook for 1962, observes Tom Piper, Penn State Extension Marketing Agent.

For those who favor the traditional sauerkraut and pork dinner, plentiful supplies of pork loins, roasts, picnics and pork butts give assurances of an economical main dish. Hams, turkeys, beef steaks and roasts are in ample supply, too, providing foodshoppers with a wide choice of values.

Eggs remain on the list of economical sources of

damp rug can rust these legs and this will also stain the carpet. Use a fan to speed up the drying.

Regular care and quick stain removal are the best ways to keep your carpets more attractive, brighter in color, and looking new longer.

protein. Consumers have enjoyed a plentiful supply of all poultry products this year and can look forward to substantially the same situation in the new year. Specialists in the Economic Research Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture estimate there will be 323 eggs, 7 pounds of turkey and 25 pounds of ready-to-cook broilers for every man, woman and child in this country in 1962.

Present prospects seem good for a heavy crop of winter vegetables in the Florida area but some concern has been expressed about getting the crop harvested. New industries have absorbed some of the farm labor supply and, with big crops of sugar cane and citrus fruit to harvest in addition to the vegetable crops, it is estimated that more harvest hands will be needed than were used last year.

Cucumbers, celery, radishes, green onions, lettuce, cabbage and tomatoes are the better buy items at produce counters now. Prices on true tomatoes and even on vine-

ripes are much lower than they were a few weeks ago. These tomatoes are somewhat smaller in size than usual, owing to lack of rainfall during the growing season.

Citrus fruits, apples and bananas carry the value label in fruits. Supplies of grapefruit are expected to be 8 per cent above last year and the crop of Valencia oranges in Florida is forecast to be 26 per cent above that of last year.

However, since citrus are particularly vulnerable to changes in weather conditions, prospects of ample supplies could be changed to one of scarcity by one night of freezing weather in the growing areas.

The oceans have numberless creatures so tiny that a cubic inch of sea water may, and often does, contain fifty million of them.

● **Guernsey**

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The state trophy for the highest score in the contest will go to an 18-year-old member of the Future Farmers of America who last June completed his term as State FFA vice president. He is Ronald E. Buffington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin E. Buffington of Elizabethville, RD 1, Dauphin County.

The contest was open to whose competing animal had been acquired as a bona fide FFA or 4-H project before the animal was two years old. The cow must have had her first calf and freshened before becoming three years old. Her first lactation must have been completed in the 12-month period which ended September 30, 1961, with production records maintained under recognized herd improvement systems.

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