# Homemakers

(Continued from Page 54) hacksaw to cut off only what is needed to fit the container,

since the material is somewhat expensive. This base should be fastened in

the dish or vase with small bits of "posey clay," pressed firmly to the bottom of the styrofoam and given a small twist for increased holding power.

If the arrangement is to be

done on a flat base, such as a piece of wood or slate, mosses or dired leaves make excellent coverings to hide the styrofoam. Tack the coverings to the styrofoam Lancaster Farming, Saturday, October 1, 1977-55

with small wire picks, similar to hairpins.

When centering candles in the arrangement, nick a small bit of the styrofoam

out where the candles are to be loacted. Carefully insert the candles into the small holes.

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Dried arrangements must have line, shape, form, interest and a focal point. Line, shape and form can be created by using long sprays of wheat, barley, oats, cattails, peacock feathers, plumes and groups of grasses.

Interest is achieved with the small-headed flowers. For a focal point, large headed flowers and groups of small-headed flowers can be used.

Suggested materials include: moss for covering styrofoam, styrofoam, floral picks, floral tape, floral wire, floral clay, wire cutter, scissors, hacksaw to cut styrofoam and an awl for making holes.

Cut flowers stems at an angle. This gives the stem a point which makes easier

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