

Off The Cuff Stuff

BY BRUCE HOPKINS

My Bachelor Pad

On Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, my brother is getting a new roommate. I don't understand it. He couldn't possibly find a more congenial, cooperative roommate than I've been. I always slept in front of the drafty window. I always let him have the biggest half of the closet. I was forever cleaning up after him. And I always let him keep his underwear in the top drawer. Really congenial I was.

"So what are you getting married for?" I asked him. He said something about how I would understand when I grew up.

"Well, I just hope she knows how miserable you get when you can't keep your underwear in the top drawer," I warned him.

Actually, I just hate to see him leave. After all, what do I want with that big room all to myself? I'll only have twice the comfort, privacy, and closet space. I'll have the top drawer. I'll be able to play my record player whenever I want. I mean, really, I hate to see him go.

"Can I help you pack anything, Don?" I asked.

I've got all sorts of plans for the room. I'm going to convert it into a bachelor pad. Actually, I don't know what the age is to be considered a legal bachelor, but I must be there. Or almost anyway. I'm totally redecorating the place. Posters on the wall, record player in the corner, and all manner of bric-a-brac (that's French for "Junk") lying about. Speaking of bric-a-brac, the other day, by some odd stroke of fate, I emptied the garbage. Just as I was about to dump the garbage

into the pail, I saw it. Sitting there in silent profusion atop a pile of dead lettuce was a green bottle. Mind you, not an ordinary green bottle, but a beautiful, unusually shaped, deep green bottle, that was probably used during the Civil War. Or at least World War II. It's gorgeous. It will look just lovely atop my Early Primitive chest of drawers.

And in addition, since we redecorated the kitchen we had to get rid of the old couch. Well, I mean, we couldn't have this beautiful modern kitchen with avocado, green appliances, and then have a dumb old couch in the living room, could we? So we took great-grandmother Pace's couch, and had it reupholstered. And you'll never guess what we did with the old studio couch. Yes, we took it up to the bachelor pad. Well, believe me it's great. You walk into the room, turn left, and trip over the couch!

And since it's a studio couch, I can bring practically the whole dorm home on weekends, and we can sleep in the pad. Pajama parties and such! Of course it's a little cramped. Right now you have to walk sideways whenever you move. (Well, let's face it, with two beds, two chests of drawers, a bookcase, a chair, a hamper, a night stand, a dalmation, AND a studio couch, there isn't a lot of extra space). I might have to get rid of the brother's bed.

I've also given ponderance to the idea of removing the mattresses and springs from the bed frames, and just putting them on the floor. It will give the room that certain oriental look I could call it "Early Hiroshima." And it would make it ever so much easier for the dog.

Well, I just can't wait until Saturday. Not that I haven't enjoyed rooming with the brother all of these years. But now that I've gotten over the initial shock that he's leaving, I figure I'll have to make the best of it. I mean one must go on in spite of the loss of loved ones. It'll be a struggle, Lord knows, but somehow I'll plod through. I say, what you think of the room painted black with white trim . . . ?

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Public Notice

ESTATE OF J. ARTHUR BOLLENDER, died July 7, 1967, late of Kingston Borough. Letters Testamentary having been granted, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims to present the same to JOSEPH LUNDY, EXECUTOR, c/o JONATHAN C. VALENTINE, ATTY., 35 N. FRANKLIN STREET, WILKES-BARRE, PA.

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