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Bedroom Furniture

Essential Furniture: A bed, spring, and mattress on legs; a shelf above for books and lamps; bedside table and lamp (table or pin-up); a chest for each person using the room; a straight chair.

Desirable Furniture: An upholstered chair or comb back Windsor; a dressing table and stool; and a pair of dressing table lamps.

Luxury Furniture: A day bed, love seat, or sofa; a desk and chair; built-in bookshelves; a radio; a sewing machine.

The bedroom is where you can skimp on your expenses. Use your imagination to obtain a comfortable room at little cost.

Put most of your bedroom money in a good spring, mattress, and a chest of drawers for each person using the room.

All suites are not objectionable. Many stores follow the system of selling furniture offered in suites only. They can sell more in units of this sort. Sometimes they give a slight discount to promote a sale of 5 or 6 pieces rather than just 1 or 2.

The trend, however, is away from selecting assembled suites. Insist on open stock as you would with china. You can buy the chest first and add the bedstead later when you can afford it. Then you can add the table and the easy chair. Thus you obtain harmony without monotony.

Simple And Graceful Furniture

The best kinds of furniture are simple and graceful, and in keeping with the size of your room. Rarely ever does the bulky, oversized, over decorated "waterfall" furniture fit in your small home. The fruit woods--walnut, cherry, pine, maple, and poplar--best fit in with your way of life. When finished with a scratch



BOOKSHELVES LIKE THIS ONE ADD
TO THE LOOKS AND USEFULNESS
OF YOUR ROOM



and stain-resistant finish, such as lacquer or penetrating floor seal, they are attractive and easy to live with.

Maple and Pine-- If you like homey rooms, homespun bedspreads, flower prints, patchwork quilts, chintz and ruffles, this is the furniture for you. Choose it in natural finish in good reproductions. Avoid the red stained variety of maple in poor style and finish.

Do Over Your Bedroom

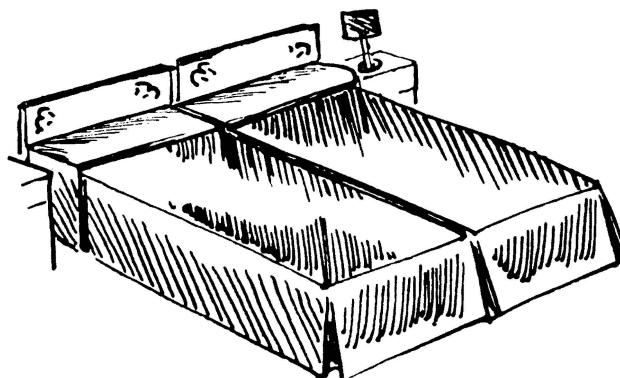
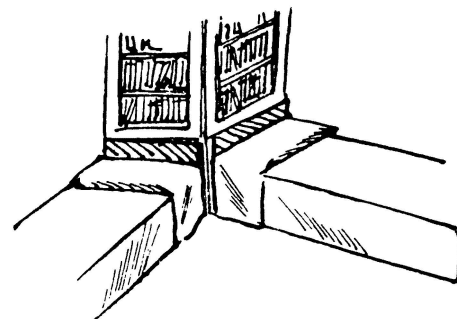
You can do over your bedroom at little expense. Modernize and paint your non-descript and unmatched furniture the color of the bedroom walls to make it inconspicuous. Build new bookshelves, or bedside bookshelf table in order to organize your possessions.

The bed with high head board should be remodelled.

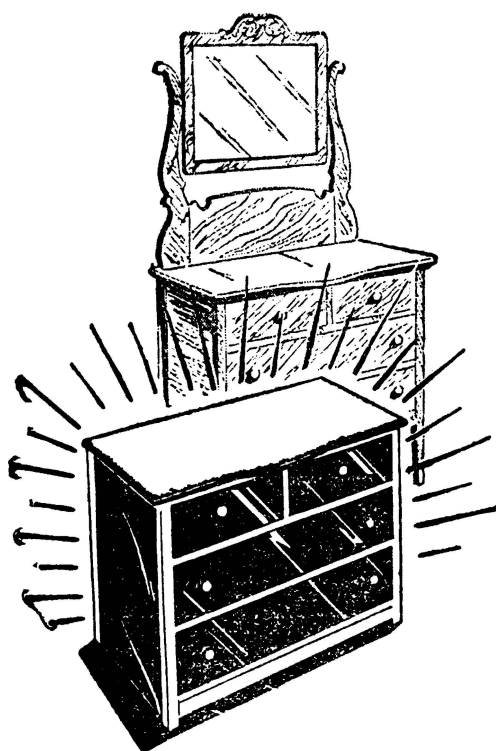
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For good proportions, have the top of the mattress 20 to 24 inches from the floor.

The top of the headboard should be approximately 40" to 44" from the floor when the top panels are removed. If bed is out of proportion, saw off legs to the right length.



TWO EXAMPLES OF HIGH HEADBOARD BEDS
THAT HAVE BEEN REMODELLED



THIS ATTRACTIVE AND MODERN
DRESSER WAS MADE FROM
AN OLD MODEL

That old bureau can be made into an attractive and modern dresser by removing the screws from the mirror frame and chest. Remove the mirror frame from the supports so you can hang it by an invisible wire or two 20-pound picture hooks at a suitable height directly over the chest.

Is the chest leggy? Try sawing the legs off and adding straight boards which are as wide as the height of the legs you sawed off.