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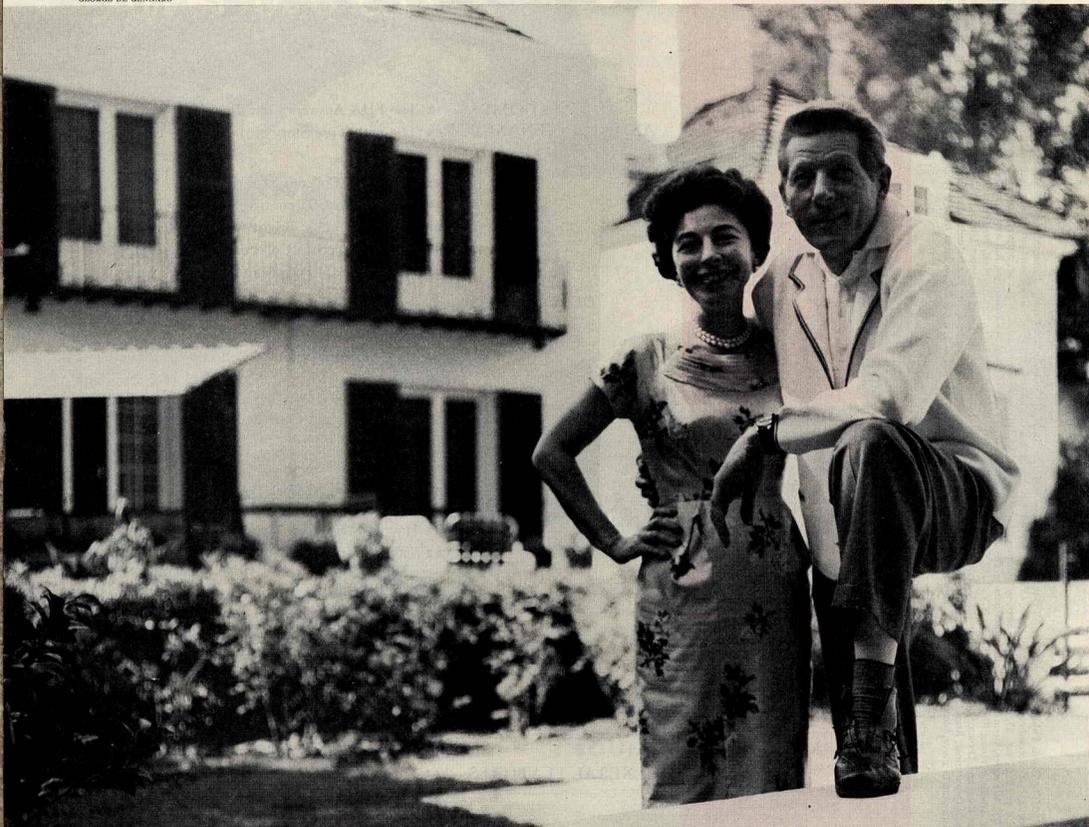
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"Our house is not large by Hollywood standards," says Mrs. Kaye. "But the rooms are so generous it's a very comfortable and livable home for us. We really love it."

JIM LISTON

The spacious, two-story, white brick house on San Ysidro Drive in Beverly Hills, California, belongs to Danny Kaye. The Kayes have lived there 12 years, but Danny still doesn't know exactly how many rooms there are.

"Let's see, we have a living room, dining room, study, music room, and a couple of bedrooms," said Danny as he ate lunch in the kitchen. Kaye had spent the morning at the CBS studios working on details for a television special, "The Danny Kaye Show" (broadcast October 30th).

The phone rang and Danny reached for it. "That's probably my flying instructor," he said. "Excuse. I won't be a minute."

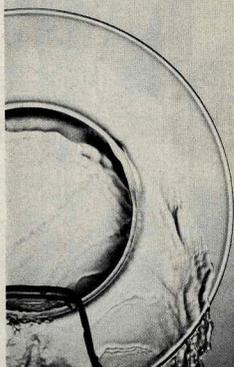
Danny's wife, Sylvia, smiled skeptically. "Let me show you around. It's hard to say how long he'll be on the phone when he's talking flying. Actually this is a four-bedroom house—if you don't count the separate apartment (continued)

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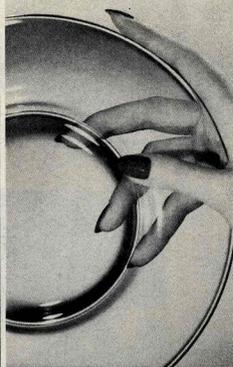
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we have for our help. Each bedroom has a large dressing room and bath. There are enormous storage closets and an office for Danny's secretary."

Mrs. Kaye passed through the entrance foyer, with its graceful curved stairway, and entered the living room. By any standard it's generous. The room accommodates, without crowding, a conversational grouping of traditional upholstered pieces around the fireplace; a grand piano and a 30-drawer apothecary chest which Sylvia uses for music; a 10-foot sofa and an oversized coffee table; and another long sofa flanked by a table holding photos.

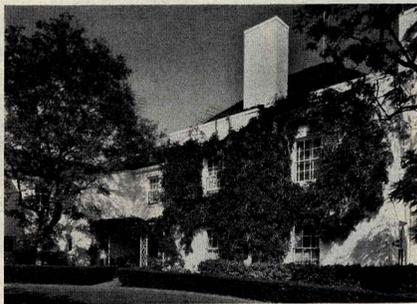
"The pastel green we used has proved very practical," said Sylvia. "The monochromatic scheme has unified this big room."

"In here," she continued, leading the way to a somewhat smaller room off the living room, "is what we call our music room. The only

major change we made in it was to build this storage wall."

Floor-to-ceiling folding doors conceal hi-fi equipment and a tape recorder. Row after row of neatly compartmented shelves contains recordings, the original scripts, and scores of musicals in which Kaye starred—and for which Sylvia wrote both words and music—and reels of movie film Danny took on his 35,000-mile trip for the U.N. Children's Fund.

"We use this room as an office," said Sylvia, "and since we talk and tape a lot of words and music when Danny and I are working up a new show, we practically live in here. Danny is a great one for stretching out and relaxing, so we've had these two 10-foot sofas covered with a very rugged fabric. We had decorator William Haines make those coffee tables. Danny rests his feet on them, so Bill had them covered in leather." (continued)



Entrance to Kaye's colonial-style home is off driveway. Wisteria frames entry and windows, and a jacaranda tree offers a fragrant welcome. "This is very nice to come home to," says Kaye.



Table in living room displays Danny's photos of friends from all parts of the world. They include Queen Elizabeth II, Nehru, and George Bernard Shaw.

Music room, with record library and scores of Kaye musicals, doubles as family room and work room for Danny and Sylvia.



Kaye's catchy songs are composed here by Sylvia, who has been his composer-lyricist since they met in 1939. "I slave over words and music, then Danny supplies the genius."

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A table behind the sofa held a bronze bust of Kaye by a leading South African sculptress and the gold Oscar he won in 1954.

"Let's go up to Danny's study and I'll show you some of his awards and trophies," said Sylvia.

There's a brass plate on the door of Kaye's study that reads:

"Elder Statesman"
I. N. T. Club
DANNY KAYE
London Paladium
Variety Season, 1948

"That's the International No Talent Club," said Sylvia. "It's just the sort of thing Danny will display."

She walked into the pine-paneled room and opened doors of storage compartments under the bookshelves. They contained dozens of testimonials and citations, gifts of glassware, china, silver, and gold; works of art from Europe, the Orient, and Africa.

"These are just a few of the things he has brought back from his trips. The attic and closets are full of things we don't have room for. I haven't looked in here for a while," she said, opening a small drawer in a rare old cobbler's bench. "This bench is one of the first things we owned after we were married and were living in our first apartment in New York."

The drawer held medals inscribed in commemoration of outstanding service.

"Danny sincerely appreciates such things when they are given to him, but he doesn't know what to do with them when he gets home. We have many lovely things stored

away in crates and boxes that we think we ought to display. But it would be a staggering project and our house would end up looking like a museum. Danny doesn't want to live in a museum and neither do I.

"Danny hates ostentation, but he has excellent taste and appreciates good craftsmanship. After his command performance in England, he received a pair of beautiful gold cuff links from the Queen Mother. He wears them because they're so handsome and they remind him of this wonderful moment in his life—and not because people are apt to ask about them.

"This is Dena's room," Sylvia said as we entered a very pink, very feminine room. "Dena is 13. She's away today, and—I'll be perfectly honest—she's glad not to be around when photographers are here. She wants her friends to think of her as Dena Kaye, not as Danny Kaye's daughter.

"I want to show you one other thing before Danny gets off the phone," said Sylvia, leading the way downstairs to the dining room.

"There was a time when I couldn't get Danny to eat in the dining room; it was too formal for him. Then I changed the color scheme to white and yellow and had this extension table designed. It's oval-shaped, has a built-in lazy Susan, and expands to accommodate 14 people. Danny used to prefer eating off a tray in the music room, but now this table lures him into the dining room.

"Here's something else he'd never think of showing you," she

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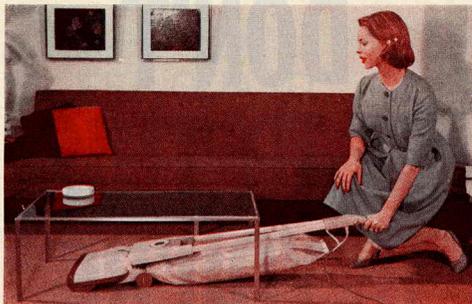
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said, lifting a large, hand-painted fruit bowl from a server. "This once belonged to the dowager Queen Mother. It was given to us when we were in England, and the company that made it gave us this collection of tea cups. There's one from each pattern now being used by members of the royal family."

We returned to the music room and Danny strode in. He was apologetic about the phone call, but a mischievous smile tugged at the corners of his mouth. He'd just received his private pilot's license.

"My instructor is quite a guy. Real tough. When he passes you, you know you can fly. I bought a twin-engine job; it's a beautiful plane. I'm really sold on flying.

"I've met many wonderful people through flying. We had the whole flying gang for dinner the day I soloed. I've forgotten how many there were, but it seemed like about 50 the way they ate. I don't



Danny's hideaway is his second-floor study which is filled with books and souvenirs of his travels.

every country in the world. Do they have anything in common?"

He slouched in the chair and ran his fingers through his red hair.

"Yes, I think I can say they do. Whether it's a grass hut or a peasant's cottage, it's a compliment to be invited into a man's home. When I'm traveling, I don't judge a country or its people by the ambassador's home or the hotels. I visit people in their own homes.

"Take me, for instance. People have preconceived notions of what show people are like from having seen them on the stage or screen. Around here I don't make a fast move from one end of the week to the other. I'm not the nervous, high-strung guy people think I am.

"I have a theory about people. People want to like themselves as human beings. Let me put it this way: at times we think of ourselves as the kind of person our friends think we are. Other times we're the person we'd like to think we are. And then there are those times when we see ourselves as we honestly are. Home makes us honest with ourselves—that's why it's such a wonderful place." THE END



Sylvia's china collection includes a piece from each pattern now being used by the British royal family.

know whether I'm a good cook or if fliers have terrific appetites."

"You did the cooking?"

"Sure, I like to cook. I made linguine with my special clam sauce. I'm pretty good with Chicken Cacciatore and Tartar Steak, and everybody seems to go for my lemon pie."

"I never know how many people we're going to have for dinner," smiled Sylvia. "Danny will come home and tell me he thinks he has invited 7—usually 15 or 20 arrive."

"There's nothing like an average day around here," said Kaye. "If there were, I couldn't stand it."

"You've been in homes in Denmark, Japan, Greece, Turkey, Thailand, Nigeria—practically



Born comic, Kaye kidded by skipping out on diving board and striking favorite pose over water.

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