

House Keeping . . .

Every girl dreams of getting her hands into a house and running it into a home — sans Ma-ma's, sans Mama-in-law's help and advice.

If a girl takes her BSHE then she gets a chance. To pass the course there is a subject she has to take called Home Arts IV. A description of the subject would be — Practice Housekeeping and Management.

For one whole month the BSHE young lady stays in a well furnished three-bedroom house and along with four other embryo-housekeepers, housekeeps — and budgets — to her heart's content.

For the month of September Inday Añover, Mameng Malazarte, Medy Martinez, Chita Sevilla and Lourdes Salazar had their turn at housekeeping in the USC Home Economics building. The girls start the day early. Everyone is up five-thirty so as to be able to start the day right with mass at the Sto. Rosario church, just a few steps away.

They take turns at cooking breakfast. — "More often, we all squeeze into our cozy kitchen and prepare our first meal together," Medy Martinez remarked. "This is also when we talk over the day's activities. We plan the schedule — at times I do the marketing, sometimes I get the dusting and interior decoration job." — "We do things on rotation," Chita Sevilla added.

"It's lots of fun. It's not like staying at home where mother does all the cooking and the budgeting. We do our marketing — and since we have to get a



Start the day right! The ideal housekeeper knows how to keep herself too.



This, says Father Norton, looks nice enough to be a Puritan ad—minus the usual castles.



Herbie calls this "congrisration". They're talking about . . . politics, do you think?

House Dreaming . . .



Ummm! cakes and cake for merienda.



This is how to pour tea. Also how to sit when tea is being poured.



Before turning in, the girls get together and sew and crochet and chat — and dream, lady?

balanced meal on a balanced budget, marketing becomes very interesting." Inday Añover chimed in.

"We have the house to ourselves. We can arrange the furniture the way we want. Almost without our knowing it, we really get to feeling that it's our very own home. The proprietary interest grows on you, you know," Mameng Malazarte said eagerly.

"Now I can cook — I even like eating my own cooking. If I should ever have a home of my own, at least I'll be able to serve meals without a bottle of bicarbonate pills on hand." This from Lourdes Salazar.

Yes, in this practice house, with the guidance of Mrs. Caroline Hotchkiss-Gonzáles, our young ladies learn the most vital of the arts — Home-keeping. Because they are left to themselves, the girls have to go beyond the theoretical and knuckle down to the application of the recipes and the rules.

While the girls are taught the very fine sides of keeping a house, they are also taught how to do it to the tune of moderate purses. The future wife and mother learns how to keep for her future family a nice-looking, comfortable home at minimum cost.

The HE home is a lovely place. It's the perfect setting for the young girl who dreams of that dream house with her dream man — if and when. And, if she never does go beyond the dream stage, at least, the month's stay in the USC HE place was fun while it lasted.