



### Making an Aquarium

By AIDA BALTAZAR  
(13 years old)

FIRST I got a medium-sized glass aquarium. The oblong shape with the entire top open is best I think. Also I got some fine, white sand, some small, shiny pebbles, some green water plants, a number of small, live snails, and some fishes.

I washed the glass aquarium and then I placed a layer of fine sand on the bottom. I placed the pebbles along the sides.

Next I planted the green water plants. These supply the fishes with oxygen. I placed the snails in the aquarium for they will aid in keeping it clean.

Then I filled the aquarium with fresh water and put the fishes in it. I feed the fish once each day with Spratt's fish food.

I found the aquarium very interesting with its attractive fish, bright pebbles and sand, green plants, and snails.

### Arranging My Stamps

By FRANCISCO M. CORTES  
(12 years old)

MY stamp album has one hundred pages. I arrange my stamps in six different groups. In the first group I put all the "transportation" stamps. On the stamps in this group there are pictures of airplanes, ships, trains, and sailboats.

In the second group I place those stamps on which are pictures of noted persons.

In the third group are the "industrial" stamps. One of the industries shown is taking sap from rubber trees.

In the fourth group I put all the "geographical" stamps. These include a picture of the Panama Canal.

The fifth group contains stamps on which are pictures of plants.

The last group contains the "animal" stamps.

This is an interesting way of classifying stamps.

### Reading Newspapers

By LUCINA E. BERNAL  
(14 years old)

MY hobby is reading newspapers. After reading important news, I always cut out clippings and paste them in a notebook. In this way I am making a history of the current events of the world.

Sometimes I review my notebook of clippings. This review helps me to remember the important things which have occurred in the recent history of the different countries.

Of course I pay particular attention to events of my own country. Every student should know what is happening in his own country and elsewhere.

Sometimes I lose myself in reading, and then the hours seem very short to me.

Reading newspapers gives me pleasure and valuable information, and improves my vocabulary.