Behind Closed Doors

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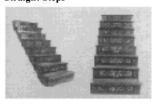
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Satisfy storage-hungry homebuyers with space-saving wall units. Preconstructed, they provide a built-in look without the effort of custom work. An all-wood cabinet encloses the Uni-Board ironing center (top). It fits inside most doors or mounts on any wall. Included is an 18-inch folddown ironing board, large garment rack, optional electrical panel, and iron. For more information, contact Uni-Cepts, Inc., P.O. Box 12683, Wichita, KS 67277; 316/946-0903. The old-fashioned wall bed is updated with the Mode-O-Matic (bottom). It comes in solid oak and mahogany, and oak-veneer plywood, and can be coordinated with spacesaving furniture modules supplied by the same manufacturer. Contact Mode-O-Matic Products Co., 9777 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 818, Beverly Hills, CA 90212; 213/1785-4227.

Straight Steps



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Victorian-style cast-iron steps get straightened out. Reproduction castiron spiral stairs have been available for some time, but according to the makers of the Kensingto n staircase, straight designs have been unavailable until now. The 36-inch wide modular staircase units are designed for exterior or interior use. Custom fabrication to large widths is available. Each complete rise consists of four castings bolted together for easy on-site assembly. Up to three steps are self-

supporting, while longer rises are mounted on steel channels. For info, contact Steptoe & Wife Antiques, Ltd, 322 Geary Ave., Toronto, Ontario, CANADA M6H 2C7; 416/530-4200.

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Radon Revealers





New testers rid radon worries. Radon-laden water and tampered-with test results are the latest in a growing list of radon concerns. The RTCA Water Test (top) is specifically designed to detect radon in water. As with most tests, the company issues a report after you mail in the testing sample (in this case, a plastic sample bottle, and flexible faucet filling hose). As for tampering, the RCTA (Radon Testing Corporation) has devised *Pro-Scan* (bottom), a quick tester that can do a radon spot-check in 11 minutes. It can be used before the usual four-day test, providing a second and controlled result with which to compare the longer test's results. For more information about both of these products, contact RTCA, 12 West Main St., New York, NY 10523; 800/537-RTCA, or 800/457-2366.

Safety Spot-Light



Motion is automatically detected by the Sensor Light. The motion activates the light so it shines only when it's needed. Activated by Doppler Radar, any area with a range up to 25 feet (1,000 square feet), can be flooded with light. For more information, contact Timely Products Corporation, 600 West Van Buren St., Chicago, IL 60607; 312/648-5550. ■