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⚙️ **HAIR TRIMMER**, recently patented, is a short-tooth comb-like device, with an elongation for a handle, made of two flat pieces fitting closely together. Inside is a recess to hold a thin double-edge razor blade which can be adjusted to regulate the cut.

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⚙️ **IDENTIFICATION camera**, usable by an amateur and with which four pictures of the same person can be made in 40 seconds, can be easily set up in any part of a factory for the rapid processing of all employees for whom wartime identification badges are necessary.

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⚙️ **CLOTHES DRYER** for apartment tenants consists of two brackets to attach to opposite walls. These are held in place by suction cups. Four lines may be stretched between them, giving hanging space arranged so that drip is into the tub

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⚙️ **SPIRIT DUPLICATOR**, an Army development for producing multi-colored maps and sketches in the field, is hand operated and able to print four colors on paper 22 by 29 inches in size. Alcohol is the dampening medium to transfer the image from master copy to copy paper.

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⚙️ **LAWN SPRINKLER** is rectangular in shape as shown in the picture, and delivers a gentle mist-like spray that will not injure newly seeded surfaces or delicate

## Do You Know?

Helicopters have come into use in forestry to spot forest fires.

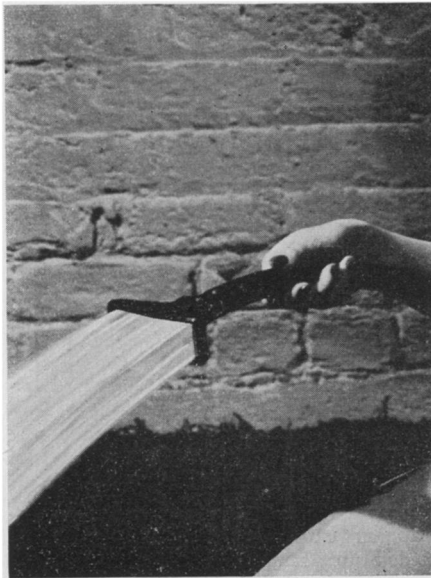
Honey has long been recognized for its value in infant feeding.

Scientists are developing a dried mixture of milk and honey as a valuable food.

During daylight fogs, a car with headlights on is visible from two to three times as far as one without headlights.

Cooking utensils made entirely of stainless steel tend to become too hot in spots so heat must be kept low to prevent burning food in top-of-stove pans.

Avalanches, which usually follow the same courses, are being prevented in Norway by sturdy fences of timber, rock and iron rods built near their starting points.



flowers. Made of molded rubber, it is almost unbreakable and can be attached to the hose without a washer. Face plate is aluminum.

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⚙️ **SAFETY HARNESS**, for airplane pilots and passengers, has a strap to fit around the body and others to fit around each shoulder. It allows freedom of movement to operate controls but also holds the entire body against the seatback, even during very rapid speed deceleration.

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⚙️ **ACETYLATED cotton ironing board covers and pads** are highly resistant to injury from hot flatirons and are claimed to outlast usual covers five or six times. The material is a chemically treated cotton, under a process developed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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⚙️ **LENS CLEANER** with a silicon base comes in a two-ounce transparent-plastic spray bottle operated by pressing the sides. The cleaner works itself under surface dust and grease, making cleaning easy with a soft cloth and leaving a coating film on the glass.

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