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⚙️ **MEAT TRAY**, for use in oven or refrigerator, is a shallow dish with a high front end on which is a handle. A spiked sheet, that fits into the bottom of it, holds the meat while carving. Fingers are safe from the knife if cutting is made toward the high front end.

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⚙️ **MOTORIZED WHEEL chair**, designed particularly for an infantile paralysis patient, moves forward, backward, or to the right or left, at a slow-walk pace under control of a switch on its arm. The switch can be flipped with a single finger.

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⚙️ **CONTROL BOX**, for use in coal mines near mining operations, cuts automatically the current in the electric power line leading to work machines if an electrical failure occurs in any machine. It lessens the dangers of an explosion by preventing sparking.

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⚙️ **SLIDE PROJECTOR**, for use in country schools and homes without electricity, uses a special mantle lamp that burns either gasoline or kerosene. It can be used with standard lantern slides or film strips, and gives a six-foot-square picture at 20 feet.

Science News Letter, March 6, 1948

⚙️ **VEGETABLE SHREDDER**, which is also a slicer or grater of fruits as well as of raw or cooked vegetables, is attached to the wall and operated by the



handle below, shown in the picture. Made of a plastic which is easily cleaned, the cutting is done by interchangeable revolving stainless steel disks.

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⚙️ **PORTABLE VENTILATOR**, electrically operated, provides fresh air to men working in confined places. Housed in a lightweight aluminum casing, it operates standing on the floor or hung from above, and can be used either as a blower or an exhauster.

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⚙️ **ICE STICKS** of a size suitable for sliding into a thermos bottle are made with a new tray which fits into the freezing compartment of the ordinary

refrigerator. The rubber tray, recently patented, contains lengthwise compartments from which the icicles are easily removed.

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⚙️ **IRON-RESTING device**, which can be quickly attached or detached from the ironing board, is an aluminum tray with a corrugated upper surface, and an asbestos pad under it to prevent scorching the ironing pad. Raised edges on three sides keep the iron from slipping off.

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⚙️ **NON-LOSABLE ERASER** for the typist sticks in plain sight anywhere on the typewriter. This recently patented device has a small magnet in the center of the metallic sleeve of an ordinary disk-shaped eraser that holds it where put against iron or steel.

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