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Roommates combine their talents with new ideas to decorate the rooms described by Irene Meyer

WITH original use of colors, textures and ideas, Iowa State coeds transform ordinary, comfortable rooms into surroundings suiting their individual tastes and personalities.

An applied art major and her roommate, a textiles and clothing major, combined their talents when decorating their dormitory room. They worked with pale yellow net, luxurious wine taffeta and floral printed twill drapery material.

Lavish net curtains, crisscrossed in the gay sunshine of their east window, are caught high on the sides with wide, perky, taffeta bows. The same yellow net falls full from the printed top of their dressing table, concealing an ordinary orange crate base.

A comfortable chair covered with the printed drapery material and a huge yellow shag rug carry the scheme further. Adding a final touch are twin pictures of period costumes in wine, yellow and white.

A canopy effect was cleverly achieved in a room with a dormer window, by using matching draperies and bed spread. Fitting neatly onto the end of the bed is a half-circle table of blond wood, made in crafts class.

Two loyal Iowa Staters have followed the cardinal and gold in their dormitory room. A deft paint brush resulted in matching bright red chests and a brilliant yellow bookcase. The casual chair has painted yellow arms, and sturdy red gabardine covers the seat and back.

Brightly striped homespun spreads and draperies suggest both gaiety and durability in this room. The inevitable accessories are shag rugs, waste baskets and bulletin boards of red and yellow.

A summer camp in Connecticut provides the mood and materials for one attractive room. Light blue and wine table cloths printed with typical camp scenes of swimming, tennis, dancing, sailing and riding are combined with white muslin to make draperies, spreads and a dressing table skirt which take one right out to the lakes and woods.

Collectors have a real problem, when coping with the cramped space of a college room. But an owner of 15 stuffed animals solved it beautifully. She made plywood shelves, strung them together with drapery cord and hung them from the picture molding.

A girl living in a small room used her ingenuity to create an illusion of largeness. She covered one entire wall from floor to ceiling with floral printed drapery material, suggesting the presence of additional windows.

Dear to the hearts of two Iowa State coeds are a couple of sailors now overseas. They inspired a nautical theme carried out with navy blue percale and red, white and blue checkered seersucker made into curtains, bed spread and dressing table skirt. A large ship's helm made of poster board and painted navy blue holds their souvenirs.

Favorite snapshots which coeds choose for their bulletin board pin-ups keep alive memories of home, friends and summer fun.