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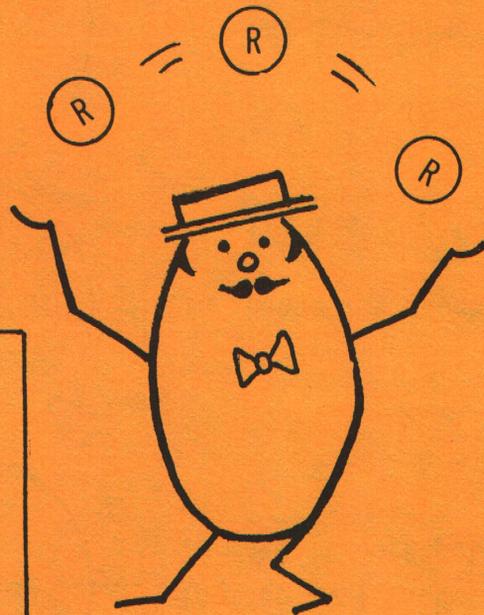
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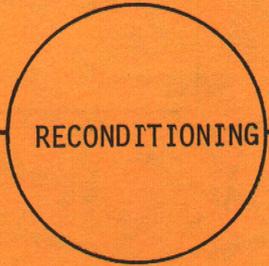
CAN WE
MAKE IT
LAST

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To make it look better
To make it work better



To change its appearance

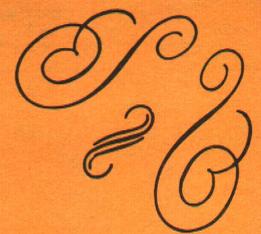


To meet a new need



YES NO

CAN WE DO IT OURSELVES?



DO WE HAVE THE NECESSARY:

- Parts-Materials?.....(If no, are they available?)
- Skills?.....(If no, can we develop them?)
- Tools?.....(If no, is the investment in new tools justified? Can we rent or borrow them?)
- Time?.....Are we willing to take time away from something else?
- Energy?.....(If no, can we temporarily eliminate some other activity?)

IF WE NEED TO PURCHASE PARTS, MATERIALS AND/OR TOOLS, HOW MUCH WILL IT COST? GET PRICES.

AFTER CONSIDERING ALL THE COSTS, IS THIS STILL A REASONABLE OPTION?

- WILL WE BE ABLE TO REPAIR, RESTYLE OR RECONDITION TO OUR SATISFACTION?
- DOES THE SATISFACTION WE GET OUTWEIGH SOME OF THE COSTS? (\$ - time - energy)

YES Do the work yourself

NO Consider hiring someone to do the work.



SHOULD WE PAY SOMEONE TO REPAIR, RECONDITION
OR RESTYLE IT?

Is a repairman available who can get the
parts and/or materials?

YES NO

How long will it take to complete the
job? Can we wait?

How much will it cost? (Get estimates)
Is it worth this cost?

Will it meet our standards when finished,
give good service and make us more
satisfied?

CONSIDERING ALL COSTS (DOLLARS, TIME, ENERGY)
IS THIS STILL A HIGH PRIORITY NEED OF OURS?

YES - Pay someone to do the work

NO - Reconsider doing it yourself, continue to use as is,
get along without it or replace it.

