



Pictured above is the Studebaker Special-Six Sedan-a study in the unobtrusive smartness of good form, which characterizes coachwork by Studebaker. The accessories, of course, are complete to the smallest detail-no single refinement, no minute convenience forgotten. The price is $\$ 1985$

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## -a warrant of the superlative in fine vehicles for more than 72 years

$\mathfrak{\sigma}$O attain the eloquent distinction between that which is bizarre and the simple dignity of good form-between obvious ostentation and unobtrusive smartness - is an art in carriage making which cannot quickly be mastered.

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For more than 72 years, Studebaker has been carriage maker to the American aristocracy, meeting precisely and properly the wishes of the cultured.

So the debonnaire yet distinguished Studebaker closed car that you see is not a chance result. Generations of fine carriage building stand behind it.

It is the product of a city of coachmakers, the Indiana center of South Bend, noted internationally as the world-Mecca of artisans in this craft.

There, in the great Studebaker body building plants, one finds fathers and sons and grandfathers, born in the old-school Studebaker environment of superlative workmanship, working side by side in upholding a 72 -year tradition. To them coachmaking is a religion. And that is all they do.

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The finest materials money can buy are used in Studebaker cars. The workmen employed are the cream of the industry, to whom top wages, plus a bonus, are paid. There are numerous features in Studebaker found only in cars costing twice and more its price.
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STUDEBAKER, South Bend, Indiana
Please send me your booklet, "Why You Cannot Judge Value By Price."

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NOTHER BIRTHDAY. We are seventy-five A this month.
Our seventy-sixth year we begin with gratitude -gratitude for the good will that has been given to us.
Manufacturing plants we have-finished and unfinished stocks we have-working capital we have-a loyal organization we have - all such as you would expect to find in the greatest business of its kind in the world.
But cur largest asset-our most valued possession is good will.
Good will cannot be measured. It can only be acknowledged.
This acknowledgment we make gratefully to all who believe as we believe that "good buildings deserve good hardware": to the public which has bought our products-to those architects, contractors, hardware dealers and carpenters who know Corbin hardware, use it and speak well of it.

THE next seventy-five years promise great things. This nation is a nation of builders. It is a lover of fine architecture. Beauty in all things is sought increasingly. Things that endure are valued more and more at their true worth. This nation-founded to endure-its permanence proved-is committed to all things that reflect an admirable national life, now and to come. The world is watching us.
In the next seventy-five years P. \& F. Corbin sees its humble part to play. It is this-to keep pace with the nation and its aspirations - to contribute all that lies in its power to the beauty, serviceability, comfort and endurance of the public buildings we occupy and the private homes we live in.
To this contribution we pledge ourselves.
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## Homes of Character

Indiana Limestone homes effectively and practicably combine beauty with utility. They convey to the beholder an undeniable sense of dignity. Everywhere, they dominate their surroundings in a manner characteristic of all works of quality.
Wherever good residential architecture exists, we find Indiana Limestone dwellings standing out as homes of char acter. Such homes possess a freedom from artificiality that is one of the first requirements of good taste, and that can be obtained only by the use of this natural stone.

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## Setting a charming, new fashion in window curtains

LUSTRE-LACE is a creation for those whose preferences are for the distinctive and unusual. It has the delicate beauty of pattern and delightful transparency that are found in lace alone-yet, owing to the weave of gleaming artificial silk, its effect is singularly rich, luxurious and decorative. Lustre-Lace comes in a variety of designs - one of which is the new Lustre-Filet shown-and in the old ivory and deeper tones, which blend so well with any color scheme. It is sunfast and tubfast.

Still other curtains of interest to women planning to dress the windows anew this spring are Filet Nets,
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## SUMMER FURNITURE

## Cor Ftome and Carder



Our collection of summer furniture, designed for the sun parlor and veranda, is especially large. There are distinctive suites and odd pieces in reed, fibre and willow. Attractive, cheerilycolored and surprisingly inexpensive breakfast room suites are included in this Section. Then, too, there are the comfortable hammocks and rustic chairs, which, placed in shady nooks or on green lawns, provide delightful resting-spots. Fanciful bits of iron and stoneware which lend interest and romance to a garden, sturdy chairs of rustic cedar or hickory, brilliant umbrellas for shade in garden or on beach, lovely fountains, bird baths and benches of stoneware-all these important accessories to a restful and beautiful summer home are offered in our groupings for out-of-door enjoyment.

Our new Gift Shop abounds in decorative accessories to bring Nature's loveliness indoors. There are shining flocver hold ers of translucent of crystalline glassquaint jugs of peasant pottery and graceful ron stands for ferns. Seventh Floor



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# How to Get an Honest House 



House of Transition Period
This house is a blending of the Colonial tradition with the Greek forms depicting a style of distinctive simplicity. It is one of the 16 architectural styles illustrated in "Good Houses."


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## Make Home Building Easy

"THE HIGH COST OF CHEAP CONSTRUC. TION" is a 68-page book that shows the right way to build a house from the basement up. This construction manual will aid in the selection of a contractor and it will enable the builder intelligently to inspect the work as it progresses. This book is profusely illustrated and written in language that any homebuilder can understand. Price, postpaid, 25 cents.
"GOOD HOUSES" is a book for home-builders interested in good design and efficient planning. It illustrates and discusses 16 basic architectural styles which have been developed in America since the days of the Colonies. In fact it is an authoritative history of American house architecture. Sent postpaid for 50 cents.

To the builder of a 3, 4, 5 or 6 -room house there is offered by the Architects' Small House Service Bureau, a complete Architectural Service at moderate cost-includingworking drawings, specifications, quantity surveys, contract forms, etc. This bureau is a national architectural service agency endorsed by the American Institute of Architects and by the U.S. Department of Commerce. A Plan Book, "YOUR FUTURE HOME," containing 69 of the houses on which this service is available, has been published by Weyerhaeuser and will be sent, postpaid, upon receipt of \$1.00.

TWO YEARS AGO a man bought a practically new house in a New York suburb. In the Fall of 1923 he sold it at a loss of $\$ 1200$-and felt himself lucky. He could afford the loss. But he couldn't afford the future repair bills.

Today you can duplicate this experience thousands of times over, throughout the nation.
Where is the family head that doesn't dream of the return to honest-built houses-good to own and good to live in?

IT IS plain that the home-people of the country cannot give too much support to the honorable contractor. $H$ is moral relation to your full dollar's worth was never so great as now.

As a large organization of experienced lumbermen, Weyerhaeuser urges this-

Go to the contractor who does the first-class job. Remember he makes no more profit for himself than the "low-bid" man. Maybe not as much.

The fine type contractor will tell you there are no substitutes for good lumber, skilled construction and faithful workmanship.

This contractor is using more and more lumber of Weyerhaeuser Standard-trade-marked lumber of Weyerhaeuser character. He is in accord with the new Weyerhaeuser book: "The High Cost of Cheap Construction."

Here's a book the cheap contractor doesn't like. It tells too many secrets of right construction. Better still, people can understand it and make comparisons.

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GET "The High Cost of Cheap Construction." It is worth any price when you need it, but it will be sent postpaid on receipt of only 25 cents.

Then get the services of the legitimate contractor and look up the Weyerhaeuser lumber dealer.

A combination of brains, good faith, experience and character are worth all you pay. The surety of a good house throughoutbuilt safely, soundly and economically with Weyerhaeuser trademarked, properly seasoned, rightly graded lumber, best suited to local needs.

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Yacobean ball
$T_{\text {he character of the hallway is an introduc- }}$ tion to the home. It is the first impression that is given of the character and taste of the occupant. It should be inviting, and so arranged as to fulfill its particular function.

From the many various ways of properly furnishing a hallway, we have selected an arrangement which conveys a formal, strong and friendly atmosphere.

Jacobean or Elizabethan chairs, tables or
occasional pieces are especially appropriate for the hallway, of certain types of homes. This furniture has an unusual beauty, that of dignity and repose. Its construction is elemental and its designs rather massive.

We have on display a large variety of English, French and Italian Furniture of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries, from which one may select those pieces that are particularly suited to individual requirements.



The Inherent Beauty and incomparable decorative value of figured Mahogany are here employed, without complicated details, to produce a desired result. A simple finish brings out the favored color tones, permits light to penetrate the surface and assures the development of that rich, mellow beauty that enhances its natural attractiveness as the years pass.

Where, however, carved surfaces and more elaborate details are desired, Mahogany is equally satisfying. In next month's magazines we shall present a dining room where carved Mahogany has been used effectively.

Genuine Mahogany is imported in quantities sufficient to maintain an adequate supply at all times and at a price within the reach of those of even moderate means.

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Eagle of Freedom Mirror. Showing the eagle and flame design typical of pre-Revolu-


Timothy Ruggles Mirrornamed for the owner, who served in the French and Indian War in 1754.


Simple Queen Anne Mirror, earlier in design than the Eagle Mirror. Notice shaped glass.


Prince's Feather Mirror, desigred originally for Frederick, Prince of Wales (1707-1751) by $W m$. Kent tionary days.

## DANERSK FURNITURE-

## Integrity of construction - - sincerity of design

MUCH of interest and historical association can be hidden in the ornament of a mirror frame. Above are five that are associated with the history of our country from its founding through the Revolution.

Each one embodies elements of design that started in the mother country, for inheritance in design is like the blood that flows in our veins. It continues and perseveres in spite of wars and disagreements.

For example, the Tall Queen Anne Mirror has the double glass, etched and shaped in a convention that has far more meaning and interest than the correct cut of a suit of evening dress. We would not violate the conventions of dress at a social function; but the conventions in furniture, even though more important, are violated constantly.

In every phase of decoration there is the necessity of
conforming to certain rules if the result of our effort is to be pleasing and in good form.

This is very much so in furniture, where the plan must be carried through each room, true to tradition in design, with a definite variety of appeal. For instance, whatever the architecture of your home or apartment may be, an Early American room, complete in itself, will bring interest and satisfaction.

One can live a life-time with the genuineness and simplicity of Danersk Early American Furniture, because it is true to the finest traditions of our own country. There are elements of interest and historical association that will enliven many a dull day in years to come.

The only places where you can see a display of Danersk Furniture are listed below. Call without obligation to purchase. Decorators and their clients are always welcome.


A generous bureau characteristic of American usage of Queen Anne design.

Brattleboro Bedroom Group in a combination of walnut and maple with berringbone and ebony inlays. Many of the pieces Win this group are inspired from rare originals and can be used appropriately with earliest forms of Highboys.



This dressing table, with its graceful lines, drew it, inspiration from a favored Lowboy.


THE creation of the Period Models of the Sohmer Grand Piano establishes new standards of beauty in home furnishing. The encasement of the piano expresses the individuality and character of the room. The instrument becomes a part of the decorative scheme of the home-assumes its proper place as the finest of fine furniture.

Added to this is the Sohmer tone-famous for more than half a century-warm, brilliant and
colorful, with an irresistible appeal to those who appreciate all that is best in piano tone.

The dual appeal of the Sohmer Period Modelsfine pianos that are fine furniture-is the crowning achievement of the Sohmer family who for more than fifty years have constantly improved the Sohmer product until today it stands as the prized possession of those who will be satisfied with nothing less than perfection.

Sohmer Pianos are made in various styles and sizes of Grands, Uprights, Players and Reproducing Players, all of one quality. Uprights from \$700. and upward. Grands \$1250 and upward. Period models in Queen Anne, Italian Renaissance and Jacobean. Monthly terms of payment if desired.

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## In Grand Rapids as in Venice

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Chickens cooked in the Florence are evenly browned and thoroughly cooked through because the heat in all parts of the oven is uniform.

# Is your kitchen as modern as your living-room? Before you answer that question, consider your cook stove 

AFEW years ago the kitchen was regarded as a place of drudgery where someone must spend toilsome hours preparing the family meals. But the woman of today insists that her kitchen be as well equipped as any other room in the house. Most important of all is the choice of the stove.

Look closely at this newest Florence Oil Range, the aristocrat of cook stoves. Note the spacious built-in oven, heated by two powerful burners. It has the "baker's arch" of the old Dutch oven and our patented heat spreader, assuring even distribution of heat. The oven will accommodate the largestsized roasting pan. Any dish you may want to serve at the biggest dinner can be cooked quickly and wellonthismodern range.

You merely touch a match to the Asbes tos Kindler and in a few minutes a blue, gas-like flame rises to the top of the burner. It is not a wick flame, such as you see in the ordinary oil lamp. The heat, close up under the cooking, can be regulated to any degree. Surprisingly little heat is absorbed by the metal of the stove or escapes into the room. One burner is small, to give just a simmering heat.

The many refinements of this modern oil range-such as the levelingdevicefor adjusting the stove to an uneven floor, and the metal oil tank with glass bull's-eye-will appeal to you the minute you see them.

## And it is a beauty

The white porcelain enamel is in striking contrast to the jet-black frame, making this modern range a thing of beauty to grace any kitchen. It is built of the finest materials and is staunch and durable.

Florence Oil Ranges are sold at furniture, department, and hardware stores. This newest model is priced at $\$ 110$, plus freight from our nearest warehousing point. Other models-large and smallwith portable ovens are available at various prices. If your dealer has not yet received this new Florence, write to us and we will see that you are supplied.

This booklet should interest you

The story of the modern oil range is told in our free booklet, "Get Rid of the 'Cook Look'." Send us your name and address so that we can mail you a copy.


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This ingenions device attached to each leg of the stove adjusts it to an uneven floor.

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## THE LINCOLN HAS WON NATION-WIDE ACCEPTANCE



N ALL parts of the country, the Lincoln is known as a fast, easyriding, smooth-running, and longlived car. Its beauty is admired, its abilities respected. Through brilliant qualities of performance and soundness of construction, it has definitely established itself in the good opinion of the nation as a car of outstanding and enduring worth.

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KARNAK RUGS give to the home an atmosphere which suggests pride of possession and the utmost care in the selection of its furnishings.

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Write for booklet containing suggestions for beautifying the home. Illustrated with color photographs of interiors and full color reproductions of Karnak Rugs.

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The modern bathroom is one of Youth's great teachers. Softly gleaming snowy fixtures, spotless tiling, and shining mirrors are pages in a textbook which teaches the lifelong lesson of pride of cleanliness.
With old and young alike there is an almost instinctive appreciation of the moral importance of the bathroom. And there is a universal desire for finer bathrooms and for enough bathrooms for all the household. To satisfy that desire many people turn naturally to Kohler Enameled Plumbing Ware. They know,
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There are good plumbing dealers in every city who can tell you all about the good products of the half-century-old institution, Kohler of Kohler. And they will tell you what you will not be displeased to learn - that Kohler Ware is not more expensive than any other ware that you would care to own. May we send you the Kohler booklet?

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## Chamberlin Inside Door Bottoms Prevent Drafts

Try This Experiment

Open your bedroom windows. Close the door, then place your hand at the crack between the bottom of the door and floor. Note the draft of cold air which rushes through the crack into the hall.

Try this at the attic and basement as well. There will be a draft at each. It goes on all night from bed rooms, constantly from the basement, while warm air escapes to the unused attic. That is why bath and breakfast rooms are almost always cold in the morning. And that explains why the temperature remains too far below normal until io or ir o'clock every day during the winter.

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## Inside Door Bottoms End All This

Send the coupon below or write us for an estimate on the cost of equipping your home with inside door bottoms. They seal bedrooms, attics and basements. They are guaranteed to prevent the escape of cold air, dust
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## PLATE GLASS PROTECTS the TABLE and DRESSER TOPS in AMERICA'S MOST BEAUTIFUL INTERIORS



A Plate
Glass top is especially especially necessary and attractioe when table runners or
luncheon sets luncheon

Photo by M. E. Hewitt

$A^{F}$FTER all, a beautifully finished table is no more handsome than its top. Preserve its top from the disfiguring mars and scars of every-day usage, and you save the table.

Interior decorators have discovered that Plate Glass makes not only a perfect protective surface, but a handsome one as well. It protects without hiding the beautifully polished or decorated surface of the wood. Not only does it reveal the handsome grain or painted design, but adds, as well, to its beauty.


Photo by Mary H. Northend


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Some of America's foremost interior decorators are using Plate Glass more and more for table and dresser tops, wide windowsills, and wherever a broad level surface presents itself. Gin dining tables it protects the varnish from hot plates and liquids accidentally spilled. On library tables and desks it saves the top from the hard usage these articles of


PLATE GLASS MANUFACTURERS of AMERICA
furniture usually get. On console tables and such surfaces as do not ordinarily get hard usage, Plate Glass adds to the table's beauty.

Plate Glass is particularly effective on dresser tops, where perfumes, toilet waters and cosmetics are kept. These articles contain alcohol, which is ruinous to varnish or paint. Just the slightest bit of alcohol will leave an ugly ring or mark.

Fortunately, Plate Glass is not expensive. It can be obtained from any hardware or glass dealer, cut to size, with edges smoothed.


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## APPROPRIATE FURNISHINGS

## A P ULLMAN SUITE

APullman davenport-bed suite in your living room is a reflection of individuality and good taste in the selection of home furnishings. And, equally important-the Pull-man-equipped living room will conform with every desire for permanent comfort. All that is necessary to convert the Pullman davenport into a full-size bed is one simple operation. Thus a sleeping surface, equivalent in restfulness to any good bed, is instantly provided. Pullmans, in all period designs and finishes, with chairs, rockers or wing chairs to match, are now accepted as the most attractive and practical furniture for the modern living room. Your local furniture dealer will be pleased to show you the many Pullman models.

Upon request we will send you an interesting brochure on interior decorating

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Pullman day-bed (No. 4246 equipped with
bed fixture) illustrated bed fixture) illustrated above, conforms
in design to the davenport-bed suite shown in design to the davenport-bed suite shown
in larger illustration. You may select either day-bed or davenport-bed with chair and rocker to match. Or, the entire group of four pieces solves the problem of outfitting both the living room and sun parlor.


IIt's always summertime INDOORS-


This Thatcher Round Boiler for steam and hot water heat, is adapted for the type and size of residence illustrated above. For larger buildings, Thatcher Sectional Boilers are recommended. There is also a complete line of Thatcher Warm Air Furnaces including the Celebrated Thatcher Tubular, for residence heating, and neco models in Thatcher Kitchen Ranges with porcelain enamel finish.
the comforting warmth of a delightful summer day in deepest winter-
when there is a Thatcher Heater on duty in the cellar.

Adequate heat, under easy control, contributes more to winter comfort than anything else.
—and because of 74 years of manufacturing experience, many features in construction have been developed so that Thatcher owners may enjoy the smallest possible coal bills.

Interesting booklet free on request.

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Sheetrock is the fireproof wallboard. It makes standard walls and ceilings at low cost.
Made from gypsum rock, it has all the lasting virtues of the material that has been used for centuries in building the finest walls and ceilings.

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It saws and nails like lumber. It comes precast and all ready for use. It is made in broad, ceiling-high sheets, 3.8 inch thick, with a patented edge that insures solid. tightjointed and smooth-surfaced walls and ceilings.
Sheetrock is erected easily and quickly. Simply nail it to the joists or studding.

Sheetrock takes any decoration perfectly wall paper, paint orpanels. It costs nothing for upkeep.
Use Sheetrock in new construction, alterations and repairs. You will be satisfied with its results and its economy.

BROWNSVILLE,Texas, holds down the tip of UncleSam's southern boundary, and there in summer the subtropical sun gets quite a bit hotter than warm. At the other extreme is Froid, in Montana, with the Canadian line for a windbreak-and "Froid" is the French for "cold." In both Brownsville and Froid the builders make walls and ceilings of Sheetrock, the fireproof wallboard. For the same natural insulating properties that keep Brownsville buildings cool when they are lined with Sheetrock, keep the homes in Froid secure and warm against the wintry blasts. Sheetrock makes a solid, protecting wall, a barrier to both heat and cold. It makes termanent walls and ceilings at low cost. Your dealer in lumber or builders' supplies sells Sheetrock. Our free illustrated booklet, "Walls of Worth," describes its many uses in new construction, alterations and repairs. Write us for a copy and a sample.
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## ANACONDABRASS PIPE



## The water your children drink

The water they drink. The water they bathe in. Water for cooking-it must be clean and pure to insure good health.
Most cities spend thousands of dollars annually to purify water. Is it just as pure when it flows from the tap? With Anaconda Brass Pipe - yes. With corrodible pipe-just turn a tap and see!
Rust discolors water, making it unpleasant and uninviting. Anaconda Brass Pipe cannot rust and will deliver a full flow of clear water as pure as at its source. It will remain-a hidden protector of your family's health and comfort-as long as your house stands.
Yet Anaconda Brass Pipe adds only about $\$ 75.00$ to the cost of a $\$ 15,000$ residence.

The booklet "Ten Years Hence" contains complete information on the advantages of Anaconda Brass Pipe. May we send you a copy?

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## Saving \$126-and building a better home

An advertisement based $\star$ * $\star$ * $\star$ * * * on the personal experience of $\star$ E. E. BRINK, Contractor, KANKAKEE, ILL【As reported to the H. P. Gould Company, Engineers】

The hope of every home-builder is to have maximum comfort and durability in the new home at minimum cost. To spend too much is extravagance. To cheapen construction and lessen investment value is false economy.

The vital need-a sturdy structure built without waste in expenditure-is usually the result of three factors: A reputable architect and contractor, dependable material and skilled workmanship.

No one knows better than the reputable contractor the necessity and economy of dependable lumber. The experience of E. E. Brink, a contractor for nearly a quarter of a century at Kankakee, Ill., is a valuable guide.
"The chief material used in any home is lumber," Mr. Brink says. "To a contractor, the difference between good, high grade lumber and an inferior grade means the difference between a good and bad reputation.
"I am firmly sold on Long-Bell lumber, as it is and does everything that a contractor requires of good lumber.
"It effects a positive saving, both in the elimination of waste and in reduced carpenters' time. This is due to its uniform quality, as it all comes cut full length, with ends squarely trimmed, and uniformly graded, so that a minimum of sorting and finishing on the job is required.
"On twelve recent jobs, the average value was $\$ 8,000$. I figure that $I$ saved 140 hours of carpenter labor on the average"-or, at Mr. Brink's figures, a saving of $\$ 126$ in carpenter labor on each house.
"The saving to the home owner through the use of Long-Bell lumber is readily apparent, as greater permanence is assured.
"My experience with Long-Bell lumber has proved its superioritynot only to me, but also to my clients and to other local contractors. I prefer it and specify it on all jobs. $I_{t}$ is standard with me."


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GARDEN is made not only to look at but to live in. It should be so furnished that you want to live in it, that you want to entertain in it, that you make it a retreat from the complexities and worries of our modern life. The simplest garden seat can be a safe barbor. Because we believe so thoroughly in living in one's garden, we devote a special issue of the magazine each year to the subject of garden furnishing

Much of the garden's furnishing depends on the garden's design, and the article on formal and informal designs makes a wealth of suggestions. Trellis is often a factor in garden furnishing, so we show some old French designs and some relatively new American schemes for trelliage. Statuary is a third element in garden furnishing and that is why we have selected for this issue views of the gardens of the late Augustus St. Gaudens. Garden houses being still another factor, we show several original designs for them.
In addition to these, Chinese Wilson writes on roses, Herbert Durand on native plants for the home flower garden, J. H. Melady on making and maintaining lawns that will live, Elizabeth Leonard Strang on a Colonial garden and Jack Held, Jr. makes some designs for country place house signs.
To accompany this, Matlack Price writes on the incidental decorative iron work that can be used around the house. Of the shop pages, one is devoted to pottery for the country house and the other to garden furniture.

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In$I^{\mathrm{N}}$ addition to serving these purely garden furnishing interests, the issue will contain houses and decorating suggestions in abundance-two small houses from down South, an English thatched cottage and a Little Portfolio of a home done in the early American style. Harry Richardson designs some amusing valances for awnings. There is an article on mahogany. Sir James Yoxall writes on collecting Baxter prints. And to make the measure full, we begin a series of articles in June concerned with the problem of the average suburban lot and the kind of house to put on it.

ACERTAIN wag has observed that you can't be a good gardener and a Modernist in religion much of the good gardener's time is spent on the knees. We are not so sure that the analogy be sound, but we are sure of the necessity for knees in both gardening and garden enjoyment. You simply have to kneel when you weed; but did it ever occur to you that the beauties of vast quantities of flowers cannot be enjoyed standing up or comfortably sitting down? You have to kneel!

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WE understand that there is a movement on foot to establish a National Botanical Garden Arboretum near Washington. The garden would have an area of eight hundred acres which could be increased, eventually to two thousand acres. One hundred acres of this area would be devoted to a water garden and thirty acres to a bird sanctuary. From the activities of such a national botanical garden the American people could derive as much benefit as England has derived from Kew Garden. House \& Garden hopes that Congress will see fit to authorize this desirable undertaking.

OUR Rural Delivery postman has been sick this winter. They say he's all used up after these long years of driving his wheezing Ford over our rutted Connecticut roads. We think of him and remember the poem about "The Old Postman" L. A. G. Strong put in his "Dublin Days". It goes this way:

Here he sits who day by day
Tramped his quiet life away;
Knew a world but ten miles wide,
Cared not what befell outside.
Nor, his tramping at an end, Has he need of book or friend. Peace and comfort he can find In the laneways of his mind.

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FOR twenty-three years House \& Garden has devoted its editorial attention strictly to the home. It has taken the front gate as one limit and the back gate as the other limit of its interests. During those years it has by no means exhausted that subject. for the subject of the home is inexhaustible. By having such a restricted policy to which it adhered without wavering, it has grown, we feel, into a potent force in the lives of the American people and exerts an influence that commands respect.
Beginning with this May issue, on its editorial page (page 60 of this May number), House \& Garden steps beyond the front gate. The problem of civic and national affairs as they touch on the of civic and national affairs as they touch on the
life of the town and the home will henceforth find a place in this magazine. And they do touch on the home; that is a fact which cannot be gainsaid. The plundering of our forests had a direct bearing on the homes that the next generation of Americans will build. The zoning of our towns and cities exercises a decided influence on the home and its future prospects. The saving of our city and national parks, the obliteration of ugly signs, the proper lighting of streets and highways-all such affairs are matters that must be in the consciousness of people who have homes.
House \& Garden's future policy in respect to these affairs is stated in this month's editorial. You will doubtless be interested in reading it.


IN a recent issue of The Architectural Review London) the first pictures of the Queen's Doll's House appear. This miniature mansion, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, England's most popular architect, has been done so perfectly to scale that it is quite impossible, from photographs of the interiors, to tell that these are not life-size rooms; that the books, tables, chairs, even clocks, cutlery ash-trays, and candles are not objects in the usual dimensions. Yet the whole thing is but one-twelfth natural size. The building is four feet high, eight feet long, four feet deep, and the Queen doil's powder puff is scarcely larger than a pea-a sweetpea!


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HE old case of Dog vs. Garden has never been unequivocally settled-perhaps it never will be. Such plaints as "Fido digs up all my Foxgloves" or "Caesar went sound asleep in the middle of the Poppy bed after chasing a young robin through the whole length of the perennial border" are distressingly frequent and heartfelt.
As a matter of fact, a frisky, untrained and unrestrained canine can bring destruction to an exceedingly large number of garden hopes in an astonishingly small number of minutes. So can a kitten, a hen from the neighbor's side of the fence, or (asking your pardon) a child of cither sex between the ages of three and twelve years. The usual procedure is to lecture the child, shut the kitten in the house and throw clods at the hen. Only the dog, being a dog, has to bear the entire blame for damage resulting from his owner's negligence in not according him even that measure of training which is granted the marauding fowl.
That's the answer-training. The two words, "Stop it!" have a far more salutary effect on the properly educated pup than they do on the kitten, the chicken, or sometimes (whisper it') the child.

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HOUSE \& GARDEN'S authors are a book-producing lot. It would seem that they spend most of their leisure time penning manuscripts that publishers are anxious to present between covers. Nancy McClelland will be represented this autumn by Historic Wall-Papers, the first really authoritative work on that subject. Stuart Ortloff comes out with his first, "A Garden Bluebook of Annuals and Biennials", to which the editor of House \& Garden writes the preface. Robert S. Lemmon's "The Puppy Book" is going very strong and one of his short stories has just been awarded a place in the 1923 O. Henry Memorial Prize Stories. J. Horace McFarland has revised and enlarged "Roses and How to Grow Them". The editor of House \& Garden comes out this spring with his thirteenth and fourteenth-"The Practical Book of Outdoor Flowers" and "A Small House and Large Garden".

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$A_{\mathrm{R}}^{\mathrm{x}}$ND speaking of new books, "The American Rose Annual" for 1924 has been distributed to the members of the American Rose Society. Much larger than previous editions, this Annual is an invaluable collection of Rose lore and Rose practice. The subject of the Rose seems almost inexhaustible. If the Rose Society offered no other advantage, this Annual would be sufficient justification for becoming a member.

MENTION of the Queen's Doll's House reminds us of the growing appreciation of architectural models. Lately in House \&- Garden we have shown two-one of a house in Florida, and one of a country place in British Columbia-which have caused considerable comment for their remarkable fidelity to the outward appearance of the subsequent real structure. Plans, even perspectives, have their limitations when it comes to getting the feel of a proposed building; the three-dimensional likeness is the only one that is absolutely dependable. The same thing is true of gardens, as witnessed by the models from the New York Flower Show to be found on some subsequent pages.


Sigurd Fischer

## THE ENTRANCE FRONT

# HOUSES THAT BLOOM IN THE SPRING 

Often the Addition of a Piece of Furniture, Crisp Curtains or New Wall Paper Will Transform an Old Room into a Fresh, Inviting Interior

PIERRE DUTEL

T${ }^{\top}$ HERE are many ways of spending money but to me the most satisfying and pleasant way is to spend it on the house, especially at this time of year when various rooms should put on a new, fresh guise in honor of spring.
A room does not have to be entirely redone in order to look spring-like and attractive. Just the right touches here and there are frequently enough to transform a drab and colorless interior into an inviting and delightful spot. A pair of new fresh chintz curtains in place of the heavy damask or velour ones, a new, comfortable chair, perhaps an occasional small table, or such important accessories as new lamp shades and cushions will work wonders in a room that has begun to look a bit passé.
Nothing so quickly transforms a room as
fresh wallpaper. There are many new papers, gay and daring patterns as well as copies of old designs, that would be delightful in a simple, country house living room. One in particular reminds me of an old set of Chelsea china. It has a soft bluish background with an allover design of moss green leaves and flowers, and here and there through the deep foliage one gets a glimpse of a charming vista-a blue pond and some flowers in the distance with a pair of gray swans swimming on the quiet surface. With this the woodwork might be painted gray and the moldings touched up in moss green. The doors I should have green also and in each of the panels might be painted a design of the swans in gray.

After wallpaper nothing makes so great an improvement in a room as new slip
covers. If the walls or curtains are figured these should be of linen or sunfast glazed chintz in a plain color, bound with some bright contrasting shade. In the room with the swan paper they might be of plain blue glazed chintz bound in green. New curtains of sunfast organdie in some soft, harmonizing shade, made with two sets of pleated ruffles will add immensely to the fresh, summery appearance of a room.
Another way of bringing interest to an old room is by the addition of attractive new lamps and shades. The lamps in the room above might be of black or green glazed pottery with green pleated shades and a shade of the wallpaper mounted on a frame and shellaced would look well on the reading table by the sofa. The floor should be painted a soft green and covered


An effect of space and a fresh, new look was given a narrow, dark hall by painting a delicate tree design on green walls. The chairs have cream satin slip covers bound with cherry red ribbon


A summery paper for a country house living room has flowers, vistas and two swans floating on a blue pond. The woodwork is gray with moldings in moss green and a green door has a painted design of swans afloat and afly, suggested by the paper
with washable, gray rag rugs bound in blue.

In a more pretentious house where the dining room is large enough to remodel into an octagonal shaped room, an unusual effect can be created by having niches cut into the corner partitions.

Paint the walls a rich bottle green and use a heavy oil finish to give a sheen. The insides of the niches marbleize in black and gold and treat the trim the same way. Blue glass shelves that have been cut to fit the curve of the niches can be fastened in with invisible brackets. On these place some choice plates


A tiny hall in a New York apart ment has zwalls done in the colorful Isola Bella paper, green woodwork and an old star lantern with bluc glass. Mrs. Buel was the decorator

The foature of this cool looking dining room is the lattice around the window which takes the place of overhangings. Diane Tate and Marian Hall were the decorators


In the room above the walls are done in a flowered chintz paper with a cream ground. The woodwork has been painted blue and the material of the curtains is a blue gauze

A charming paper for a summer bedAoom is this toile de Jouy design in red on a deep cream ground. Chapin, Harper \& Dutel were the decorators of both this room and the above

When the dining room is large enough to remodel into an octagonal shaped room, an unusual effect can be created by having niches cut into the corner partitions, marbleized black and gold inside. The shelves, holding choice bits of china, are blue glass
or bits of china. This does away with the awkward china closet.

At the windows hang curtains of rich pinkish orange sunfast glazed chintz or a corded silk poplin made with French headings. Over these place valance boards made of wood painted the green of the walls. Diamond shaped inserts
of black glass with decorations of sbips painted in blue and green will lend a note of distinction and formality to the room. Tie backs of glass, or decorated wood will hold back the draperies and show a vista outside. The floor here may be of black and white tile, or
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Nothing emphasizes quite so well the close attachment of the house for its site as the ease with which one may step from lawn to floor level. Here, oo the porch, it is a matter of five inches, and one feels, from the window heights, that the living room, in its low wing, is settled just as snugly

THE DUTCH COLONIAL

The living room is a space of splendid proportions on the plan, roof high, and lighted from three sides; the hall is generously sized and forms a fine connection between all the

A detailed view of the living room wing shows the materials of the house and their treatment. The walls are shingled and stained white; the bricks of the chimneys are painted white and the solid paneled shutters are apple green. The evergreen planting of tall Conifers may soon be too robust
rooms and entrances of the first floor



The entrance doorway, with its fine elliptical fan light, its well proportioned panels, and its slender pilasters, contains the same gracefulness which characterizes so much of Mr. Baum's work. Without some diverting it is possible that the Wistaria may soon smother much of this delicate architecture

# THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FRONT GATE 

A Statement of House © Garden's Policy Regarding<br>The Exercise of $A$ National And Civic Conscience

JUST as soon as a man starts to make a home he realizes that his front gate has two sides-his and the other; that it opens upon two worlds-the world of the home and the world of the town in which he lives and the nation of which he is citizen. He may close the gate, but neither world can be completely shut out. So interrelated are they, so dependent one on the other, that if he has the slightest desire to protect and further the interests of his home, he cannot do so without protecting and furthering the interests of his town and his country.

The American people have just been passing through a rather strenuous purgation of spirit. The humiliating and nauseous investigations at Washington have revealed this fact-that, if we are any longer to boast of democracy, something must be done to quicken the civic and national conscience of Americans.

We are ready to defend the home whenever its interests are threatened, but are we equally ready to defend those things in our towns and cities and nation at large that bear a vital, if not immediately perceptible, relation to the home and its future?

The absence of this civic and national conscience is doubtless due to the fact that men and women generally do not realize that home interests are involved. They are involved in several waysspiritually, esthetically and materially. Let us see how some of these effect the home.

The gradual reduction of our forests through wasteful cutting, fire and lack of reforestation may not worry the man in the suburbs of New York or any other great city of America. But it will become a distinct worry to that man's son when he builds his house, to find a lumber shortage. This will be purely a material effect. But the vegetation and beauty of the country will be destroyed. This would have a spiritual and esthetic bearing. For material, spiritual and esthetic reasons, then, a national conscience should impel this generation of citizens to support the bill presented to Congress to authorize the purchase of forest lands for the purpose of restoring their forests and providing a national supply of timber. It should cause him to support every effort made to reforestate our waste lands and to prevent the destruction of untouched timber lands by fire.

THIS same John Doe suburbanite may be horrified when he realizes that a group of influential and mis-guided enthusiasts plot a raid on Central Park to erect a musical and art center, thereby lessening the park space in which children of the metropolis can play and its citizens enjoy sunshine and pure air. Here health and beauty are involved. His very concern over them proves that he has a civic conscience. But he cannot be said to have a national conscience unless he realizes that, had this trespass on Central Park been legalized, it would have set the precedent for trespassing on the parks-the health and beauty-of every city in the land.

Or let him consider the National Parks. During the past fifty-odd years successive Congresses and Administrations have built up the national policy that our national park system shall contain only areas of extraordinary significance completely conserved from all industrial uses. These National Parks are
recreational areas reserved for the people; they conserve exhibits of our various land forms, our waters and wild life supported under absolutely natural conditions and in natural descent. Time and again powerful interests have tried to invade these nationally restricted areas. They are trying to invade Yellowstone National Park at present. Once Congress is permitted to weaken in respect to one park, a precedent will be set for the invasion $f^{\text {- }}$ every other National Park.
How is the average citizen to prevent this? How is he to exer his national conscience? For it is no use having a conscience ur it be aggressive. He can support those societies that watch e move threatening the prerogatives of the people. He can his Congressmen aware of his interest in these matters. $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{t}}$ arouse other citizens to interest in them.

ACIVIC conscience functions much more readily becaus aroused by problems closer at hand. While these are matters of threatened injustice, they also concern themselves the economic and esthetic development of the town. They immensely varied forms, ranging from such simple matters as lawn space and shrubbery planting around the railroad statio the vitally important subject of town zoning.

Consider just these two subjects: The railroad station is ust the stranger's first introduction to the town. If it is attractive feels, consciously or unconsciously, that town's merit. It is sort of town he would like to live in. It is the sort of place he wc prefer for his business. Like the front yard of a house, it se standard of beauty which cannot be neglected.

Zoning also has its economic, esthetic and legal phases. Thro its administration certain areas are set apart for business and cel for residences. When factories and shops invade the resider district the esthetic and economic values of that district are th ened. It is no longer as good a place to live in. This zoni being taken up enthusiastically in some cities and towns, but 1 are hundreds of others where no effort in this respect is being $n$

On such matters the civic conscience must be aroused. ? affairs have a direct bearing on the home and its future. It duty of every citizen to be alive to them and active in their su

For over twenty-three years House \& Garden has devo ${ }^{\dagger}$ editorial pages strictly to interests of the home-to the tecture and building of better houses, to their furnishing and ment, to the making and maintenance of their gardens. ? time it has, thanks to a rapidly increasing body of readers w] appreciated its authority, acquired an influence among the class of American citizens. Its interest has lain mainly on of the front gate.

From now on it purposes to devote editorial interest to ${ }_{f}^{n c h}$ the affairs that lie on the other side of the front gate, to thosing of national and civic betterment which have a direct bing the future of the American home. Its work along these each. be just as authoritative and aggressive as has been its we was home. In this endeavor House \& Garden feels that it h; port of every loyal reader. It would be pleased to hea on these matters.


The fan used over this Korean cabinet in addition to being a decorative bit of color breaks the upright lines of the narrow bookshelves. It is made from a bit of highly colored old Chinese tapestry


## F A N S O F

Y ESTERDAY

THE semi-circular fan is one of the most usefulandinteresting bits of color and form in decoration. Particularly difficult spaces, such as that over a long, low sofa or a high mantelpiece, can be successfully filled in with a graceful and colorful fan which brings a note of distinction to an interior not to be equalled by any other form of decoration.


## INTERIORS

Beautiful old fans should not be hidden away. They can be used in many ways in the house and often are more effective than either a mirror or picture. The semi-circular shape is especially pleasing and in addition there is the interest of design and color. Various ways of using old fans in places where their circlelike shape fits, are shown on these pages.

An old French fan with a design of pastoral scenes makes an unusual and graceful decoration for $a$ bed canopy. The taffeta hangings and spread are blue and rose, to match the main tones of the fan


The sketch in the center shows two uses for old fans. The quaint shapes on the mantel have a painted flower design and are used to shield the lights. The semicircular fan makes a decorative fire screen

$A$ mavvelatticeand prim little pink flowers on a cream ground make this semi-glazed chintz unusually appealing. 50 inches, $\$ 6.85$


A charming semi-glazed chintz with an apricot ground and a design in delicate blue, green, henna and mauve. 25 inches, \$4

Striped sunfast taffeta is an excellent fabric for country house curtains. Blue and beige, lavender and tan, rose and tan, mulberry and tan. 50 inches, $\$ 5.25$


- The chintz at the -left comes either glazed or unglazed. Rose and mauve flowers on either a grayish mauve or black ground. 36 inches wide, $\$ 4.40$

Stiff little flowers in rose, yellow and mauve on a light-blue, bluegreen or tan ground. Semi-glazed or unglazed. 3 I inches, $\$ 1.90$


This chintz has a blue black or tan ground and bunches of flowers in rose, green, white and yellow 36 inches, \$1.49. Glazed and unglazed



English prints make charming curtains for cottages or children's rooms. All colors with quaint dottei designs. 32 inches, $80 c$ a yard


A linen with a decorative bird and flower design on a green, black or blue ground. 50 inches wide and priced at $\$ 5.50$ a yard

The simple curtains at the left are of sunfast organdie which comes in pastel tones. 45 inches wide and $\$ 1.90$ a yard


Glazed chintz, tan, blue or green ground with contrast-
ing birds. 50 inches $\$ 4.00$


Checked linen in rose and gold to cover chair seats. 50 inches, \$2.75



Curtains of gold colored lustre marquisette edged with green glass beads. This material, plain, 50 inches wide, is $\$ 3.45$. With an allover lace design, 46 inches, $\$ 5.20$ a yard

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The fabrics shown on these two pages may be purchased through the House fo Garden Shopping Service, 10 West 44 th Street, New York City. A service charge of 25 cents on articles up to \$To and so cents on anything priced at $\$$ Io or over is included in the prices


Glazed chintz, green ground, flowers in rose and blue, $3^{I}$ inches $\$ 3.60$


Chintz, tan ground, flowers in rose, mauve and yellow. 36 inches, 996 a yard


Left. Cross stitch print. white, blue or tan ground, design in red, blue green and lavender. 32 inches, \$I. Below. Casement curtains, yellow filet net with cross stitch design and fringe. 38 inches wide, $21 / 2$ yards long. \$13 a pair

Right, above. Sunfast cotton fabric for upholstery. Yellow, natural or green ground, natural or green gronna,
flowers in red, blue and green. 50 inches, \$4.60. Below: Ruffled curtains, dotted grenadine, $\$ 8.50$ a pair. white or écru. Muslin with colored dots, $\$ 5.25$ a pair,

21/2 yards long



A charming paper for a country house has a pale blue ground with white lilies and pheasants and flowers in delicate colors. The border is in tones of dull red and blue. These border papers are used on plain walls, with paper panels and on screens



Three striking border papers. Left. Green ground, design in café au lait and gold. Right. Green ground, white and tan design. Below. Turquoise ground,
purple and pink stripes

BORDER PAPERS FOR
PLAIN OR PANELED WALLS
PAPERS FROM NANCY McCLELLAND


In a small house in Versailles a border paper in green and majenta is used at the chair rail and cornice

A border paper in a vigorous design on a black ground outlines the wood panels and Directoire paper in the room below



The drawing room of Sotterley is paneled in white-painted pine, with beautifully yarved shell niches and an interesting mantel and chimney-piece, all done by a Colonial craftsman in the spirit of the then youthful English Renaissance


The furnishing and re-decoration of the dining room have been done wilh a fine feeling for its period, yet without that conscientious consistency which often aives re min orated old a self-conscious and museum-like qualily

AN EIGHTEENTH CENTURY HOUSE IN SOUTHERN MARYLAND


The study, paneled with dignity and simplicity in pine and painted white, has been appropriately hung with Colonial prints and set with English furniture of the period. It opens directly upon the long terrace and garden beyond



When George Plater built Sotterley in 1730 the West Shore of Maryland was clustered, though sparsely, with beautiful houses

This lovely brick gable end shows the unusual lowness and grace which have been given the roofs of the wings protruding


A small cupola above the white clapboarded facade, sel with the carved crest of the family, marks the house's main entrance

From the long, brick-paved terrace a view may be had, under the grove, of the broad Patuxent River flowing to the Chesapeake

## SOTTERLEY

ST. MARY'S COUNTY

MARYLAND


With its luxurian! growth, its scarlet autumn foliage, and with its black edible fruits, Vitis coignetiae, the Gloryvine, is one of the finest vines



Climbing Hydrangea, H. pe'iolaris, likes nerthern and western exposures, clings nicely to walls, and spreads itself wilh large white flower clusters in summer


The beautiful heart-shaped leaves of the Gloryvine are among the most decorative of all climbing plants. Tendrils dart in graceful flights from the compact foliage

Japanese-Hydrange-vine, One of the best of the new Schizophragma hydrangeoides, climbers is Actinidia chinensis, resembles $H$. petiolaris but is nbles H. petiolaris
smaller and lovelier


4 glorified Honeysuckle newly introduced here from the Orient is Lonicera tragophylla, with its splendid heads of fragrant, long, rich golden-yellow flowers


# HARDY CLIMBERS FOR THE GARDEN 

## From the Magnificent Wistarias to the Robust and Decorative

 Grapes there are Vines for Every Kind of SituationE. H. WILSON, V. M. H.

CLIMBING plants produce the most effective of all garden pictures and the nearest approach to tropical luxuriance attainable in northern gardens. Also they are of much value in screening from view or clothing with verdure objects not pleasing to the eye. The one difficulty is the provision of proper support for them to grow upon. Neat posts made of reinforced concrete and firmly inserted eighteen feet apart in the ground with stout copper or galvanized wire run through make a lasting trellis which, if ten feet high, will serve for all the perfectly hardy stem-and-tendril-climbing plants. Climbers so planted display their beauty to the best advantage and this arrangement will form an excellent screen to the garden or it may be placed so as to form an avenue or arbor. Such a trellis, probably the simplest and strongest vine support, is illustrated in the center of the opposite page. Where one desires to preserve architectural relationships between house and garden more closely than this plain style is able, or where the feeling of the situation requires a different type of trellis, then the elements in this design which make it so successful in a practical way should be kept in mind. For whether the variation is a lattice in wood or wire, or a series of posts and chains, strength, adequate tendrilhold, real support for vines, are the essential factors in devices of this sort, however consciously decorative.

Under the lee of a stone fence is an ideal site for all sorts of climbers and a far greater number will thrive under such conditions than on a trellis. Hook-climbers and many stem-climbe:s do well and look most effective if planted among or on top of large boulders where they can develop into a dense tangle. On such rocks if planted at the base, rootclimbers and those which have discs at the ends of

In Japan the pale purple racemes of bunda macrobotrys hang, as here, in gorgeous, fragrant clusters, sometimes mor than five feet long

their tendrils do well. Rootclimbers also thrive on the north and west sides of buildings and likewise on trees but in the latter case it should be borne in mind that sooner or later it means the death of the tree by strangulation and suffocation.

The most beautiful of all climbing plants hardy in cool temperate regions is Wistaria with multitudinous clusters of purple or white flowers. No plant blooms more abundantly and none other gives to the house or garden such an air of tropical luxuriance. Wistarias are natives of eastern North America and of China and Japan.

# G L O S <br> F A B R I C S F O R <br> An Outline of the Various Textures in Artificial Silks <br> And the Uses to Which They May be Put in Decoration 

MR. and MRS. G. GLEN GOULD

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{R}}$RTIFICIAL silk has at last achieved a name of its own and will in future be advertised and sold by merchants and manufacturers as Glos, pronounced like gloss. According to official figures it seems to bulk only one-fifth less than silk in the world of commerce, but the impression is general that glos already exceeds the use of silk and is mounting in importance with extraordinary rapidity.
There are comparatively few persons who can tell silk fabrics from those made of glos, except in the cheaper, coarser grades. These have a stiff feeling, take a stiff fold in drapery, have a very glassy sheen, and a slippery feeling, while silk takes a softer fold and has less glaze to its sheen, except when given a very high lustre under heat and pressure for special fabrics. It has been complained, too, that glos fabrics are apt to pull apart or "slip." If they do, this is no fault of the fibre itself but of the way it is woven. Silk will do the same thing when badly woven.

G$\mathrm{G}^{\mathrm{LOS}}$ is mechanically prepared cellulose, $\mathbf{G}_{\text {which is obtained from natural plants or }}$ trees. The cotton plant and the spruce tree are largely its sources. Spruce is made into wood pulp which is reduced to cellulose, and then run out in a fibre that can be wound into a continuous thread of any length and of any thickness or fineness required for weaving. It is from one-third to one-half as expensive as silk but considerably more expensive than cotton. A good deal of suspicion and not a little onus has attached to this product, during the ten or more years it has been a commercial factor in the textile trade, from the fact of its being an "imitation." People who could afford real silk shunned its imitation-when they knew it. Many persons undoubtedly have glos drapery and upholstery in their houses who honestly think them to be silk. The very high glassy lustre which recommends it so highly to hoi polloi makes it taboo to the interior decorator. Glos is now being deprived both of this glassy shine and the stiffened texture. Manufacturers are preparing to put out a fabric so soft and dull that it looks like a washed silk that has been through many a tubbing. This may meet the decorator's requirement of a dull antique appearance.
The present vogue for dull finished silks will doubtless split before long to go two different ways: one to revert to shiny satins of the Mid-Victorian and even Empire periods, the other to go on logically to the costly silks of India and the Near East, whose soft, downy surface is considered its highest beauty, a beauty which requires almost as much cultivation to admire
understandingly as do fine Chinese porcelains and jades.

Glos is usually advertised and sold under trade names copyrighted by various manufacturers, so that if you ask for a taffeta of glos the salesman, who does not understand what a taffeta weave is, may have no idea what you wish. If the customer is able to explain the sort of weave desired, many fabrics may be shown which the salesman would ordinarily know only by some advertised trade name.

Some of the plain fabrics are:
Taffeta. A plain over and under weave like darning, made in solid colors or in two colors giving changeable effects. It is also woven in strié, streaked, effects in three shades of the same color or in different colors. Used for over-draperies, bed draperies and spreads, couch covers, cushions, vanity and sewing table accessories, and lamp shades.

Sativ. So woven that the warp, or lengthwise, threads form a more or less solid surface. Glos satins have a very high lustre but may soon be made duller. Changeable effects give interest to this fabric. Silk satins are sometimes woven with a ground of the higher lustre glos in another color making beautiful hangings. Strifí satins are also woven. Used increasingly in living rooms as well as boudoirs and sleeping rooms.

GAUZE. Plain over and under weave of $\mathrm{T}_{\text {thin }}$ veil-like texture in solid colors or changeable effects. These have a lively glitter and are well liked for casement windows and French doors. They fold a bit crisply like starched curtains or metal tissues, but this quality seems to be liked, for they sell enormously in oyster color, pongée tones, gold, blue, and rose; the blues often have a warp of black or darker blue; "antique" or dull golds have a tan warp.

Net. A gauze woven with threads spaced more or less widely, producing the effect of a netting. Highly lustrous nets are used popularly for curtains, not only for casements, but in various changeable effects as cheap over-draperies.

Marquisette. A somewhat heavier fabric than the old marquisette weave, often called net; given an up and down ridged look from the cotton warp threads. The woof, crosswise threads, is glos lightly crinkled or crimped. The glos and cotton threads may be of different colors. Much used for inexpensive over-draperies in gold, buff, blue, green, and rose.

Fancy Weaves. A number of plain fabrics are made in fancy weaves giving pebbled, stippled, and other effects, in
single or changeable colors. These may be very thin for casement curtains or a little heavier for over-draperies. Much used for sun parlors and breakfast porches. This is the "popular drape" for the victrola or radio. Coarse and rough effects are produced by weaving in uneven or matted threads, making a fabric well liked by decorators for hangings.
Stripes are woven in every type of these fabrics, taffetas being in great demand, as are satins. Striped and blocked gauzes are popular.

Gauze. Figured gauzes for casements and French doors in panel designs or by the yard are very popular. It seems possible that the vogue for things Spanish having lent interest to Spanish laces, has attracted attention to glos laces which suggest them. Their use is increasing.
Damask. A fabric in which the figured design has a satin weave on a plain ground or the reverse, as in a table cloth; of a single color or two or more combined. Glos damasks are used in enormous quantities for upholsteries and draperies. Good ones very closely resemble silk damask, having a little higher lustre not easily distinguished even by close comparison.

Brocade seems to be as successfully woven in glos as in silk. The less expensive glos makes it possible to obtain a heavy brocade hanging with a full rich fold impossible except in a much more expensive silk. The brocade weave originally simulated hand embroidery, but modern brocades are simply figured fabrics and have lost the raised look of embroidery. Broché, brocatelle and lampas still keep scmething of the outstanding effect of needlework.

BROCHÉ. A light weight brccaded fabric with a surface pattern. Few, if any, real broché weaves are attempted by manufacturers, for most of the crisp, thin, wiry figured glos of this type is really light weight brocades.
Brocatelle. A heavy figured damask with a raised design. This weave too is being tried out experimentally. One manufacturer offers a damask resembling a brocatelle in an effective gun-metal gray.
Lampas. A very heavy upholstery damask with jute and other heavy fibers introduced to add thickness. This ancient Chinese textile is being revived. A strikingly designed lampas is just out this season.

Tapestry for heavy upholstery combines glos with wool, cotton, etc.
Velvets and other pile fabrics have not yet been very successfully woven in glos for household use, as the pile tends to lie flat, instead of standing upright; but
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## 'A LITTLE PORTFOLIO OF GOOD INTERIORS



Although the entrance hall in the New York home of Cornelius $N$. Bliss is narrow, a sense of space is achieved by the careful grouping of the furniture. On one side is a nicely balanced arrangement consisting of two Directoire walnut tables and chairs painted
black and gold. This group is balanced by long windows on the opposite wall hung in tête de nègre satin, and a pair of black and gold Empire benches. The floor is black and white marble and the Georgian lighting fixtures black and gold. Elsie Cobb Wilson, decorator


Drix Duryea
The walls in the dining room of the Bliss house are old white and the hangings faded red silk. Other color notes are introduced by the painted screen in blue-green, gold and silier and the gros point seats on the antique Chippendale chairs. A fine example of an Adam console and pedestals with carved urn knife boxes occupy one side of the room

This effective and dignified group is in the library of the same house. Blue walls, arched doors with carved fan motifs, a Colonial black marble mantel and bookshelves set into panels on either side of the fireplace make a- charming background for the comfortable, chintz covered furniture and Italian and English pieces. Elsie Cobb Wilson, decorator


The charming and very livable room above is the children's sitting room in the Cornelius N. Bliss house. The paneled walls are white and the curtains blue glazed chintz made with pleated ruffles and tie backs. On the overstuffed furniture is an old chintz in soft, dull colors. The rug is neutral in tone and the furniture Eighteenth Century Italian

In the library of the same house is an interesting and nicely balanced group consisting of an old Sheraton secretary bookcase with brass grilles, two small Italian walmut tables and a pair of old English globes. The graceful arched windows are hung with copper colored antique silk and the walls are blue. Elsie Cobb Wilson was the decorator of the house


# RESTORING A NEGLECTED WOODLAND 

How Careful Planning and Planting Brought Back
Its Native Charm to a Dilapidated Farm Wood-Lot

## HERBERT DURAND

THIS is the story of a neglected tenacre wood-lot and what was done to restore its original charm and transform it into the sylvan paradise it is today.

Four years ago last October I received a letter from a dear old lady who has a summer home in the hill country, about seventy-five miles north of New York City. The letter said, in part:

I want you to come up here and see my woods. They don't cover much ground and they have been badly treated, but there are still many magnificent oaks and maples and any number of beautiful bushes, wild flowers and ferns.

It is my dream to make these woods a delightful place of quiet retreat, with frequent rustic seats and shelters. There must be cool, shaded rambles and pleasant, open glades, where the trees and flowers, the birds, and all forms of wild life can be enjoyed and protected. And I want to have their variety increased and their beauty enhanced. Won't you come and help me?

This letter indicated that here was an owner who realized and appreciated the esthetic and recreative value of her bit of woodland. It convinced me that she would undertake its improvement with enthusiasm and make all necessary provision for its maintenance and permanent welfare. So I was glad to respond to her call.

The place is a modernized upland farm. It is typical of thousands of recently acquired "estates" lying within easy motoring distance of our large cities. The grounds about the attractive Colonial residence are "landscaped" in conventional fashion.

Thewoodswere, of course, what was left of the old farm wood-lot, and I found them in a most deplorable condition. In many places the snarl of brambles, weeds and trash was almost impenetrable, and there was a pervading aspect of desolation and decay, accentuated by the stark boles of numerous lifeless trees.

Obviously, the first thing in order was a general cleanup. We were fortunate in finding an intelligent and reliable contractor for this usually destructive proceeding who followed instructions strictly and did the work carefully and to our entire satisfaction. Rubbish

heaps, the accumulations of years, were carted away. Dead and dying trees were cut down, sawed into portable lengths and hauled to a nearby pasture, to be converted later into firewood. Dead branches were lopped off otherwise healthy trees and added to the woodpile. Then each man was given a pair of gloves and a mattock, and a determined onslaught was made upon the numerous tangles of poison ivy, cat-briars, blackberry bushes and interloping weeds. This is always an exasperating job, but we kept at it until every visible plant pest had been grubbed up by the roots and consigned to the flames. It pays to be thorough with such nuisances. Cutting them down with a bushhook (the usual practice) merely increases the number of shoots and causes them to grow more vigorously then before.

The next step was to prepare an outline map of the area on scale paper. The old lady, after much rummaging, produced a blue-print of a survey, which helped to define the boundaries and saved a lot of measuring. We then explored every nook and corner of the woods, and with the aid of a pocket compass and a steel tape, located on the map the following natural features:

The course of a clear, mountain brook which meanders through the eastern half of the tract.

Two picturesque rock outcrops and a number of huge, moss-grown boulders. Individual trees of notable size and beauty.

Several fine groups of both deciduous and evergreen trees, aver-arching embryonic glades.
Particular attention was given to the character, texture and chemical reaction of the soil, which was found to be intensely acid on the oak and pine-clad crests of the ridges, less so on the slopes, practically neutral in the low places and slightly alkaline on the sunny, southernmost rock outcrop. Notations accordingly were made on the map and lists were prepared of the indigenous bushes, ferns and flowering plants prevailing (Continued on page 138)

At the entrance to the Sanctuary path a full-grown Withe-rod points downvard toward the brook. In June its branches are heavy with flower banicles

Shining Sumac is excellent for border plantings where, wilh Mountain Ash, Sassafras and other native trees and shrubs, it keeps out drying summer winds and winter storms. As a decorative growth it has fow equals



As an illustration of real wildflower conservation, this nook is shared by two species of Fungi haree of Ferns, a Hobblebush Purple-fringed Orchis, Indian Pipe,Trilliums, Bellworts,Woodland Aster and Swamp Blackberry


Under the hemlocks in the Sanctuary, where they are hidden from the sight of chance intruders, flourishes a happy colony of pink Ladyslipper, one of our increasingly rare native flowers that are in need of protection

# WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT WOOD FLOORS 

Simple Facts of the Material and Construction of Floors<br>That a Prospective Builder Should Understand

MATLACK PRICE

IT is safe to say that people would find less cause for after-worries and after-complaints in their building enterprises, if they were to use logic and reason in determining the causes of the disappointments they may experience. The wish to economize to the limit is often necessary (even when immediate economy may prove poor ultimate economy), but with their cost-slashing zeal people should also bear in mind the consciousness that building economies must result in many compromises, and that if they have decided to save five hundred dollars on flooring, for instance, they should not feel resentful if their floors look half as handsome as they might have looked on an expenditure of a thousand dollars.
But before considering various kinds of woods usually used for flooring, how about the carpenter work that precedes the laying of the finished floor? All other things being equal, any floor is as good as its underpinning, as good as the structure over which it is laid. If a floor is laid on joists that are of too small dimension, or too widely spaced, or inadequately cross-bridged, the finished floor will sag and squeak and give under foot and open up cracks, whether the boarding be fine selected oak, or the least expensive substitute.
Integrity of construction rests largely with the contractor, and poor construction is often one of the bad economies of accepting the very lowest bid. It is often, too, the besetting $\sin$ of the speculative builder, whose interest in the enduring qualities of the houses he builds does not live beyond the date of sale.

IN the cellar of a house, looking up at the bottom of the floor above, you may have noticed, between the floor beams, or joist, small wooden braces, nailed in cross-wise, like an X . This is called cross-bridging, and in a well built floor there is plenty of it. It stiffens the whole floor structure, and characterizes good building, while insufficient cross-bridging, or none at all, characterizes bad building. The cross-bridging of the joist of the upper floors you cannot see in a finished house, because the ceilings below conceal it, but it can, and should be noticed in a house in construction. If you ever notice an old house, built as long ago as the eighties, being demolished, you will see row upon row of sturdy cross-bridging between the floor joist, and you will also see much heavier dimensioned structural lumber. Neither lumber nor labor cost so much in those days and people almost made up in good construction what they lacked in architectural taste.

So then, if your floor is badly framed, meaning inadequately constructed as to
the spacing and bridging of the joist, do not blame a bad floor on oak or pine or whatever finished flooring you select.
Floors, too, should be laid double - the finished floor over an under-flooring, with building paper between. This would seem obvious, perhaps, and no doubt many people who think about it at all think that all floors are laid double. Again the too-close contractor and the speculative builder sometimes figure a small saving here, and the result is not a good floor. Underflooring, usually six or eight inches wide, ship-lap, is laid diagonally on the joist, and where a sound-proof floor, or a floor especially exposed to cold beneath is laid, building or deadening felt should be laid between the under and finished floor, instead of building paper. And where building paper is used, good builders advise against any of the rosin-sized papers for between-floor use.

THE woods most used for finished flooring are oak, hard pine, birch, red gum, maple and beech. Of these, oak is oldest in lineage as a flooring material, and hard pine the most used. If it were not for expense, the seeker for the unusual in flooring could borrow the custom of the West Indies and floor with mahogany, or of the Far East, and floor with teak, which, in the days of wooden vessels was a great ship-building wood.

$\mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{E}}$EADERS wishing to secure direct data on flooring and floor finishing will do well to write for the following booklets.
"Beautiful Birch for Beautiful Woodwork". "Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers' 'Ass'n., Oshkosh, Wisconsin.
"Red Gum". American Hardwood Manufacturers' Association, 1339 Bank of Commerce \& Trust Bldg., Memphis, Tenn.
"Beauty Plus Service in Floors". Southern Pine Association, New Orleans, La.
"The Perfect Floor". The Long-Bell Lumber Co., R. A. Long Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.
"How to Lay and Finish Maple, Beech and Birch Floors". Maple Flooring Manufacturers Ass'n., Stock Exchange Building, Chicago, Ill.
"Modern Oak Floors". Oak Flooring Mfr's. Ass'n., ror4 Ashland Block, Chicago, Ill. "The Proper Treatment for Floors, Woodwork and Furniture". S. C. Johnson \& Son, Racine, Wis.
"A Book of Painting and Varnishing Specifications" (50c). Sherwin Williams Co., I16 W. 32 nd St., New York City.
"How to make your floors, furniture and woodwork beautiful". The A. S. Boyle Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.
"Architectural Varnishes, Stains, Fillers and Enamels". Standard Varnish Works, 443 Fourth Ave., New York City.
"Modern Wood Finishing". E. I. Du Pont De Nemours \& Co., Inc., Wilmington, Delaware.

The floor of unusual appearance here is achieved by the use of extra wide oak planks, dowelled at the joints, and with the screw-holes conspicuously plugged with wooden pegs. This type of floor, specially suitable in an Elizabethan or Jacobean room, is simply a revival, like so much of our furniture, of an antique method of flooring which was evolved before modern mill machinery gave us the useful tongue and groove.

T${ }^{-} \mathrm{HE}$ standard dimensions of oak flooring today are two inches or two and a quarter inches wide by thirteen-sixteenths of an inch thick, and one and one half or two inches wide by three-eighths of an inch thick. These narrow oak boards are not only tongued and grooved on their long dimensions, but milled for end-matching with a tongue and groove. It is thus possible to blind-nail the entire floor. Blind-nailing means the driving of nails into the tongue of the board so that the grove of the next board conceals the nail-head, and no nails are visible. The nails recommended for use are called "Cement Coated Flooring Brads", and the " 8 -Penny" size, driven sixteen inches apart are used for thirteen-sixteenth inch flooring, and the " 3 -Penny" size, driven eight inches apart, are used for three-eighth inch flooring.

The use of White Oak or Red Oak is more a matter of choice than of expense.

Prospective builders should not think of their specifications with the idea that hard pine (usually called Southern Pine, and noted on plans as "Y-P," Yellow Pine) is a cheap substitute material. I have no figures, but conjecture that at least eighty-five per cent of hardwood floors in the United States are of various grades of hard pine. The lower cost of hard pine as compared to some other hard woods is due to the plentiful supply, and not to inferiority as a flooring wood. The best grades are quartersawed, and edge-grain pine, and in cases where the scheme of a room does not allow of the natural light tone of pine flooring, it can be stained in any color.

Birch, one of the hardest of the hardwoods, is one of the standard flooring materials, and is stocked in its natural slightly reddish colors, or in lighter coloring, which can be brought to any desired tone by staining.
Red Gum is considered a good flooring wood, because it does not shrink or sliver, wears evenly and smoothly, takes any stain and has an attractive natural grain.
Maple is one of the hardest of all woods used for flooring, and its wearing qualities are often considered as quite offsetting its lack of conspicuous grain or figure. It is often used in parquetry, with other woods.
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Sigurd Fischer

> The home of Bertrand Taylor, Jr., at Locust Valley, L. I., of which another view is found on page 54, is a simple development of three units-a middle unit flanked by a service wing in stucco and half timber and a library wing that helps to enclose the terrace

## TWO HOUSES by

H. T. LINDEBERG, Architect

The home of Mme. Galli Curci at Highmount, N. Y., is a low-lying group in stucco, half-limber and stone of the locality, set on the brink of a Catskill gorge. This entrance front view shows the studio wing; the main portion of the house and the service



Above is shown the house after it had completed the first stage of its development from farmhouse to, ultimately, a country house of considerable size


The white space beyond the floor plan of the original house shows the area covered by the projected development of the first stage in its gradual growth

## THE COTTAGETHAT GREWUP

From a Small Farmhouse Beginning, But with a Definite Plan of Growth on Paper, This Place Reached its Successful Conclusion.

ONE of the great delights of a country home lies in watching the gradual growth of a well-conceived and carefully worked-out plan. This has been especially true of the bouse and grounds shown here because their development has been consistent, from farmhouse beginnings to the present well-equipped country place of ample proportions.
The first small dwelling was remodeled several years ago. This step decided the architectural character of the house and gave it the domestic charm of a liveable home, its size seemingly lessened from the outside because of the low eaves and one story wings. The plan of the original house was very simple; but there are latent delights in almost every building to thee careful
home seeker who cooperates with his archi tects, and in the first stage of this development there were found to be many. The addition of the symmetrical wings gave unusual interest to the house besides making a practical plan.
There are three things for which an architect strives in planning a successful dwelling, no matter what its size. First, a private home-center, or living room, away from the interruptions of the occasional visitor. In larger houses a reception room may be provided to keep the principal living rooms free, but as the house diminishes in size, a solution must be sought in other ways until in the smallest houses it is often accomplished with a simple vestibule. The second desirable feature lies in pro-
viding convenient access from the service rooms to the front door and upstairs without disturbing in any way the family living rooms. The logic of this is obvious whether there are many or no servants. There is some dissension over the third feature-a dining room which can be practically, if not entirely, closed off from other living portions of the house. All of these features obtained in the first enlargement, along with many others that help to make a good plan, not the least of which is the three-side exposure of the living room.

The skill with which the final enlargement was made is shown in the photographs and floor plans. Nothing is lost and much is gained. The family rooms on the second (Continued on page 96)


The house as it stands today, long, spreading, gracefully composed, and faced with white stained shingles, still preserves the spirit of its mucleus. Warren D. Owen, owner; Richard Schmidt, Garden ©f Martin, architects; Jens Jensen, landscape architect


The two upper plans show the first and second floors of the house in the second stage of its development. The stairway has been but slightly changed, but the whole layout of the central structure has been simplified and the rooms enlarged. A short service wing has been added to one side and a porch and arbor to that opposite


The under plans show the house as it stands today. On the ground the most noticeable change would be that of the lengthened wings and their terminating gabled ends which house the guests and the service. Inside the staircase has become circular, a porch made into library, and bedrooms added. At the left is the driveway entrance


The garden is built almost entirely of brick: walls, paving and seats having been derived from that pleasant material and held together with an interesting diamond-shaped pattern

These steps descend upon the putting green. On their upper level begins a long arbor whose flat and graceful arches have been ingeniously and unusually constructed of reinforced brick

## THE GARDENS OF

EDWARD F. HUTTON
Roslyn, New York
MARIAN C. COFFIN

A glimpse of the boxwood garden, which springs from a paved terrace on the castern side of the house, gives an impression of great age to a spot that has existed in this state for scarcely more thana year


Gillies

The plan of the grounds shows an interesting arrangement of the various parts of the place. The flower garden is the central feature, and from its two axes the skeleton of the scheme develops


Four plant types make the Magnolia Walk a tremendously effective vista: Boxwood, Magnolias, Cedar hedges, turf, and nothing else. A the time of photographing these had been in place a year


A GARDEN IN TULIP TIME

May, the season of Darwin and Breeder Tulips, is one of the most colorful in the garden year. Here the Tulips are planted along the walk that surrounds a lawn. Clipped hedges enclose the garden and tall trees give it background. The mauve, yellow orange and purple Tulips rise above a feathery ground cover of pale blue Forget-me-nots

## LILY CHINTZES

for

## SUMMER

BEDROOMS

MARGARET McELROY

LILIES, from the gentle Lily-of-the-Valley to the swanlike Calla Lily, are so decorative and coolly colorful that they have been the inspiration for the designs of many charming chintzes. These are especially suitable to summer bedrooms where the effect should be restful, colorful and cool. A color scheme based on the green of the leaves, the soft yellow found at the heart of the flower and the creamy whiteness of the petals would create a restful room as well as a colorful and interesting one. The note of blue might also be added, a clear strong blue, the color of a woodland lake under a June sky. This would in no way detract from the effect of coolness and repose and is charming with green and yellow.
A room of this kind is shown at the top of the page. Here the woodwork is green and the walls are papered in a quaint, oldfashioned paper with a white ground and a design of green polka dots. The curtains, which, in spite of their airy, fragile appearance are both durable and washable, are made of sunfast organdie in a soft green shade to harmonize with both the wallpaper and the glazed chintz roller shade. This has a green ground and a Lily design in white, a little yellow and green. Some blue-green appears in the leaves and there is a spray of tiny bright blue flowers.
In this room the furniture might be paint ed white with green lines and a chaise longue and one overstuffed chair should be covered in the Lily chintz. Another chair might have a slip cover of blue sateen piped in green and made with a box pleated ruffle. Drape the dressing table in green organdie over white sateen. The organdie should be scalloped and ruffled in the same manner as the curtains. Over this hang a mirror with an old, dull gilt frame. The bedspreads can be of taffeta, sateen or corded silk, the same tone of green as the curtains, scalloped and bound in blue. A little slipper chair done in yellow would bring a bright, contrasting note, and old flower prints, preferably of various kinds of Lilies, might have narrow, bright blue frames. The rug should be taupe color.
This same Lily chintz with a black ground is shown at the right. This would make effective curtains in a man's room with walls and woodwork painted bluegreen, the color of the leaves. Furniture painted black with blue-green lines would be masculine and in harmony with the curtains and there should be at least one com fortable chair done in either deep blue-green silk or red leather.


The curtains above are of cool green sunfast organdie trimmed with pleated ruffes. Glazed chintz makes the roller shade. From the Chintz Shop


The glazed chintz at the top has a black, blue, yellow, lavender or green ground. It is from the Chint Shop

## Above is a graceful Lily

 design on a green, gold or orchid background. FromMrs. Gilette Nichols

An old-fashioned paper with $a$ white ground and a design of green polka dots has been used in the room above. From Thomas Strahan

(Above) Calla Lilies on green. Wanamaker's. (Left) Lilies-of-the-Valley on yellow or white. The Chintz Shop

## COUNTRY

HOUSE
GLASSWARE


For tea on the porch comes a newicetea pitcher incool green glass with an attractive ribbed design and an amber foot. The Steuben Glass Works

Vases of every size and shape are in constant demand in a country house, especially one with a garden near at hand. Above is a collection of graceful shapes in clear, deep green glass. From the Steuben Glass Works

4t the right is a pair of vases, reproductions of old designs, in opaque glass-soft pale green and alabaster white. This cool coloring is espe cially effective with white flowers. From the Steuben Glass Works


Delicate green opaque glass candlesticks and flower bowls are a charming color note against white walls and on a white mantel in a country house. Glass from Pavel, Lindemann \& Companv. Colonial mantel courtesy of Arthur Todhunter


White flowers look particularly well in deep green glass


# T H E <br> C A R E <br> O F T H E <br> F L O O R 

> The Way in which Floors and Surfacings are Laid, and the Treatment They Receive, are as Important as the Materials of which They are Composed

ETHEL R. PEYSER

THE care of floors and floor coverings is not confined to laying them well and treating them with careful consideration, but includes at the beginning the most intelligent selection. All the care in the world will not redeem poorly chosen materials.

Of all the floors we know, the newest comer, rubber tile, seems to need less attention than any others. Here is a flooring which is adapted to every room in the house, including conservatory and porches, on whose surface nothing seems to make an impression, a floor which does not wear at over-used points, such as the foot of the stairs. The only thing necessary on such a floor is soap and water. Powder or abrasives cannot hurt it, yet it is unnecessary to use them. The laying of the floor is the chief asset in its upkeep: badly laid, it is a curse rather than a benefit.

The linoleum floor, which needs no further eulogy here, is one of tremendous utility in all parts of the home. Whether laid over felt, as is recommended by some makers, or without felt, as is recommended by other manufacturers, it is enduring and delightful. This, too, should be laid, with care, over wood or concrete by skilled workmen.
The two great classes of linoleum are the inlays and prints. The former has the pattern imbedded from front to back, the latter has it printed on the surface only. Therefore you can see which is the most enduring. The printed kind will never wear out but will wash out: therefore a little attention must be given it to keep its face in pristine condition. Linoleum, being made of linseed oil, cork, flour, and other ingredients mounted on a backing of burlap (the silver lining of these mighty floors), it improves on usage if occasionally (once or twice a year) it is sparsely mopped with a floor wax swab, a weighted brush permeated with a good floor wax. This feeds back to the linoleum the elasticity which is apt to go with time, and keeps the linoleum in flexible condition. Of course this floor must be washed regularly with a mild soap. It is wisest to swab off a yard at a time, drying off one yard before entering the next.

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{L}}$L linoleum should be in the home for at least forty-eight hours, especially in winter, to insure its acclimatization, so that after it is fixed in place it will have done with any caprice of stretching, or whatever it may want to do. But, as we said before, you should go to a good maker and have an expert install it. A good linoleum floor is a thing of beauty and a joy forever, and we could sing its praises in far more space were it our lot to have it in this article.

As with the above floors so with the tile floor . . All should be laid with the sanitary cove, or curved finish, where the wall connects with the floor. This sort of joint insures comfortable cleaning and prevents the formation of dirt and vermin haunts.
The tile floor is a regal floor, of course, except that it is a bit tiring on steady pedestrianism and should be covered with mats to give the feet the resiliency that walking on a floor should give. Linoleum, or any of its near relatives, as mats, and rubber mats (of non-skid variety) too, make good ease spots for tiled floors. These floors need washing only, and excellent installations. The small tile wears better for floors where there is much traffic. It is sometimes possible to have a vent in the tile floor, so that a hose which has sufficient water can wash off the floor swiftly and well, without too much work. Sometimes the cement will bob up, but this will not occur in a well laid floor. So again, as with children, the better the initial care, the better the chances for lasting strength.

COMMPOSITION and concrete floors, brick and other floors, need washing and swabbing. Some of the brick types are waxed and give a delightful effect and, of course, wear exceedingly well.
There is no doubt that the wood floor carries with it a dignity, intertwined with tradition, that no other flooring has. It is about as old as the marble and stone floors of the ancient Egyptian, Roman and Greek days. In this country we have fallen heir to the old Colonial floors, and floors of other periods, and treasure them because we feel them tied to us with history and family memories. No one can say that the wood floor is not enduring, for there are many in use today which were laid hundreds of years ago.

The reason we have inherited the old and lovely 18 -inch planks is that before they were laid they had been seasoned outdoors in no hurried fashion. Today we take no time for real seasoning, which is but subjecting wood to the seasons' caresses. Our wood today is kiln-dried because of the different tempo of our lives in this generation. However, the correct kiln-seasoned wood is almost perfection. "Cut and dried" should have no sinister meaning when applied to wood,--for the best floors are those which are cut and dried to the proper points. Going to the best makers of wood floorings is the best you can do to insure a good floor-and do not pass this suggestion thoughtlessly.

In the case of an old floor, the thing to do, after you have made sure that it is as level as possible, that there are no hazards
or furrows or projecting nails, that all the boards are even, that there are no overlapping edges and everything tightly in place, is to give it the finish that will last. There is a long process and a short one, and the short one is very popular now. Engage a man with an electric scraper. This takes off the old finish, spots and discolorations. If the floor is still imperfect, let him go over it again and perhaps apply some oxalic acid if stains still persist. Then use a filler for the cracks and another filler for any pits in the wood, after which treat the floor with a floor wax of some appoved make, whose pedigree is irreproachable. Where color is necessary use a dye (stain) and then wax for the finish.

After this, rub the floor over with a block of wood covered with Brussels carpet permeated with wax.

The longer way in which to resurrect the floor is, briefly, this: (r) Plane the floor. (2) Bleach it rapidly with oxalic acid so that it will not get fuzzy from the acid. (3) Use a filler bought from the best manufacturer of fillers and tell him the color you want according to the floor. (4) Let this harden. (5) Rub off with excelsior, and rescrape if the old color remains and bleach and allow to harden. (6) Smooth it off with a rubbing of steel wool. (7) Let the floor remain untenanted for 12 to 36 hours in order that it may get perfectly dry; the length of time depending on the weather. (8) Sand paper the floor to its final smoothness with a wood block covered with sandpaper. (9) Brush the floor carefully with a brush of hair to remove scrapings and go over it again with a cheese cloth mop. (ro) After a few hours apply the floor wax with a weighted brush, then brush over with the weighted Brussels carpeted block. It might be well to keep this block for future use.

NOW your floor is in fine condition and all that is necessary to do is to give it twice a year a treatment of floor wax. If, however, the floor is situated where there is much traffic, such as in a hall, in the nursery, the wax can be applied oftener. But in any case the Brussels block hovering over it once or twice a week is all that is necessary to keep the floor in lovely condition.
Never wash these waxed floors; you will but lose time, beauty, and waste the money you have expended.
In the new floor all you have to do is keep the wax surface "burning bright," and you will have a floor that will outlive you and the rest of the house, for this wax not only gives charm to the floor but is a protective covering that saves the floor and saves you trouble.
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The clump as dug up in the autumn. In the spring it is cut apart, with a sprouting eye to cach tuber, the tubers planted separately


In mid-May the tuber is laid on its side in a hole 6 inches deep and with the sprouting eye up. Drive in the stake at the same lime

In a month's time the tuber has sent up several sprouts. The next process reduces these shoots to one stalk. Note that the stake is labeled


Toward the end of July the healthy plant should have grown up to the top of the stake. When this is done you are now ready to dis-bud

Where the tubers are planted close together, cut off the bottom latcrals in July, giving foot room, and strength to upper branches


## DAHLIAS:

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The photographs on these pages were taken by Harry Coutant, an expert with flowers as well as with the camera. They represent in an interesting way the cycle of Dahlia growth during a single season.


Cut away all the side shoots, leaving one stalk. Thus the strength of the plant is forced into this one development. This is done in mid-June


Dis-budding includes the removal of the two side buds in each group of three. Thus the strength of the plant is concentrated in single flowers


The properly grown Dahlia, with its single main stalk, forms a sturdy, evenly developed plant. The effect of judicious pruning, is clearly apparent

Another example produced by the growing methods illustrated in these pages. It is interesting to note how well the plant is supported yet the stake concealed

It has been charged that Dahlias run too much to foliage and not enough to blossoms. The fallacy of such a criticism is proved by every well-cared-for plant


Part of the area in front of the house is an open glade with rough stone paths andplanting around the edge

Making a garden in a shady front yard is not casy, and yet, by selecting the right plants, it was successfully done here, on the place of Mrs. H. L. Servoss, Madison, N. J.

Among the pleasant features of this garden is a shady terrace and, below it, the mirror of a
little irregular pool

## A SHADY TERRACE

## GARDEN

ANTOINETTE PERRETT

MOST people have a difficult time growing flowers under trees. How many I have known who have given it up in despair! And yet it is all quite simple, if you are only wise in your choosing, if you only know what to grow. For that reason, the garden illustrated on this page ought to be not only a lovely spot in itself but a great help and inspiration to others.

It is in a suburb where the tall-trunked Oaks are just thinned enough to make the ground habitable. It is just a little space in front of the house, between the stoneflagged terrace and the street, all tucked in with high shrubbery boundaries, and as secluded as can be. It couldn't be more charming in its setting or more various and interesting in its plant material! Of course, you really ought to be entertained on its terrace on a warm summer afternoon to realize its full charm, to appreciate the trees, (Continued on page 134)

## E. BADE

THE basis for the production of new plant forms orspecies is found in the variability of each individual plant when it is mul tiplied through seeds. The variations in the forms thus produced react differently in different cases. Some of them improve when multiplied, while others return to their natural inclinations and characteristics when the seeds are taken from the cultivated forms.
It follows, therefore, that the



A cross-section of an A prico branch, magnified 150 times. The darkest line marks the cambium


The cambium layer in this Apple cross-section is the ast vertical tine on the lef hand side
their wounded parts, a callus or thickened growth produced by the unwounded cells. Only the cambium and the woody cells combine to form the parenchymatic tissue. The stock does not influence the scion to any extent; it, with all its parts, remains wild and all branches produced upon it must be grafted. The (Continued on page IOO)


The first operation in making a cleft graft is to cut of the slock squarely and split it with a suitable tool. In the cleft thus made the scion or scions are inserted in such a way that their cambium layers concide with that of the stock

The topmost picture at the left illustrates scion and stock about to be joined in a whip graft. Below it is shown the method of culting for a veneer graft. At the bottom, a splice graft is shown ready to be joined

Right Al the top, the bark of a side graft being loosened with a knife. Next, the side graft scion being inserted. And lastly, the scion being bound in place until it shall have become joined to the stock by growith
reproduction of certain desirable forms without loss in variability can be accomplished with certainty only through budding or grafting. These are an organized union between a living fragment of one plant and that of another. The cambium, or growing cells, of the scion are joined mechanically to the rooted- stock so that growth between their tissues is made possible. The two parts which are thus united form, on


(Above) A comfortable chair in two sections, enameled any color, $\$ 36.50$. Cushions extra. (Right) Willow lounging chair, unstained \$21.50, cnameled \$25.50

(Above) There is always space on a porch for a willow chair of this kind that may be purchased unstained for $\$ 8.50$. The cretonne covered creshion is $\$ 4.25$ extra


The chair above is of fine reed. Enameled one color, $\$ 35.50$. Two tones, $\$ 30.50$. Cushion extra. Table, with wood top $20 x$ I4 inches, $\$ 22.50$ in plain enamel. Two tones $\$ 24.50$

Chinese rattan furniture is unusually comfortable. (Below) Hoiur glass chair with arm rests, \$14.25. Table, 2.4 inches high, \$14
(Right) A smart stick willow chnir suitable for porch or terrace. In natural finish the price is \$28. Enameled, \$3I. Cushion extra
(Above) Chair of flat reed enameled in two colors wilh silk floss filled cushion covered in sunfast stripe, $\$ 25.50$. Four foot settee to match, with cushion, \$50.50


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An amusing and comfortable small chair of stick willow is $\$ 15.50$ in natural finish. Painted color, \$18.50 In two lones, \$2o. Cushion extra

## FURNITURE

## FOR THE PORCH

The chair at the right is painted black with green trimmings. \$32. It may be had in other color combinations. In natural finish, \$27.50. Cushionextra


A chair that combines well with either enameled willow or painted wood is of Chinese peel rattan decorated with black motifs. It is both durable and comfortable. The price is $\$ 17$


The stick willow chair at the left is $\$ 15.50$ in natural finish $\$ 18.50$, painted any color and $\$ 20$ in two tones. Five fool settee, $\$ 38$ natural finish, $\$ 50$ one color, $\$ 56$ in two color

## The GARDENER'S CALENDAR for MAY

|  | sunday | monday | tuesday | wednesday | thursday | friday | saturday |
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|  | This calendar of the gardener's labors is designed for the Middle States, but it should fit the whole country if, for every one hundred miles north or south, garden operations be retarded or advanced from five to seven days. This isfor a normal season. |  | There the clouds part, <br> Swallows soaring between; <br> The spring is alive. <br> green! meadows are <br> I jump up like mad, <br> Break this old pipe in twain, <br> And away to the meadows <br> The meadows again: $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |
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| This great Belgian's name is familiar as a post-fix to many of his shrub and herbaccous introductions | rt. Do not delay cutting the lawn until the grass is so long as to ne- cessitate rak- ing. Goo lawns are the result of liberal fertilization and frequent mowing, the latter in some cases twice a week in grow- ing weather. |  |  |  |  |  | I7. Roses for flowering in the sreenhouse next winter sho ul d be planted in the benches now. Use a rich, heavy soil for them, firm the beds thorough- ly after plant- ing, and top- dress occasion- ally with raw bone meal. |
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| David Douglas In the 1820's this Scotch Botanist explored our western scene, where he found his well known Fir and many other plants | 25. Winter celery may be sow n n o w Make a seed bed for it and sow broadcast, When large en oug h to handle, dibble thelittle plants off into well prepared soil. When they are 4 inches tall you can plant them out. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | These our $n$ things alone plant make | en by explorat valuable and it possible to ere are varich up one or mor cinating readir | on or hybridiza beautiful plant look without $r$ s, S. vanhoutte is bound to be g, but would in | ion, have introd, <br> Through hard nning across so S. douglasi, a epresented. The ct for us a perso zere responsible | ed to our garde a list of shrubs, $e$ of their nam d S. thunbergi. story of their d sal interest in | and grounds <br> s, trees, or her Among the In almost ever coveries zoould plants for whith | $\begin{aligned} & \text { te of } \\ & \text { cous } \\ & \text { reas } \\ & \text { preat } \\ & \text { only } \\ & \text { they } \end{aligned}$ |



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From the rear can be seen the service wing, the laundry on its lower level, and the way in which additional bedrooms have been put over the enclosed sum porch

## THE COTTAGE THAT GREW UP

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floor are given a desirable seclusion, the light on two sides of the room and an guest suite provides the privacy that arrangement of equipment which is stepevery guest wants. The service rooms saving, another favorable item is added are compact and pleasantly arranged. to the service wing.
One interesting feature of the new plan From the glazed sun porch on the east, is the laundry. An abrupt slope in the one overlooks a gentle downward slope contour of the land at its point on the and a pleasant landscape of trees, shrubs, plan made it practical to cut away the and flowers, the site of a future swimming bank so that the laundry floor might not pool and tennis court. Beyond the pool be more than two feet below grade. With lie the gardener's cottage and the garage.

## ON HOUSE \& GARDEN'S BOOK SHELF

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of these bookish methods, he has prepared from various sources a book: Family Budgets Made Easy (published by Lefax Co. which covers every dilemma of spending and saving and rational and irrational living. Furthermore, it is done in the loose
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about types of foods, clothes, etc., travel, automobile, personal allowances. etc. (5) Bibliography:-a most valuable group of texts on the subject of home budgeting,


#### Abstract

mfortably spaced and arranged.


The book, without the forms in which to do the actual budgeting would be a valuable possesion to treasure and live by. It is the meatiest and least "up in the air" treatise on the subject we have ever seen and we cannot but recommend it to any and every person who is wise in spending and saving for the welfare of dependents and himself.
Mr. Breitzke makes budgets thrillingand entices the owner of his book to engage in a new game of life. What more ould he ask?
E. R. P.

DECORATIVE Furniture. By George Leland Hunter.
This book will prove a source of definite knowledge for the student, a splendid reference book for the collector, and an endless pleasure for the dilettante. From earliest times unto the present day, the text carefully traces the development of furniture and clearly brings out the salient features of each period and style. The importance of climatic, physical and historical influences, visible in the form, color and ornamentation of a style, is interestingly explained, as, for example, the Persian and Greek wars and their influence on Classic types, the Crusades and the resultant Gothic, the Dutch trade with the Orient and the influx of Chinese ornament and color, and the intercommercial wars of European kingdoms, bringing about the adaptation and fusing of forms and details of different countries, modified by the racial characteristics and living needs of the people by whom the styles were developed. The differences in form and intricacies of details, as in the Louis XIV, XV, the Regency, and Louis XVI styles, is simplified and elucidated. The furniture of Italy and Spain, during the Renaissance, the Georgian furniture of (Continued on page 98)

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England and her colonies, and their
variants are made clear and their points of difference simplified.
The importance of studying the collections in museums and the many good reproductions is stressed. Text and illustrations, the author rightly says, are but the initial step and guide; it is only by supplementing them with actual study of the furniture that one gains sure knowledge.
For those of us who, unfortunately, for the present at least, are unable to do this, the illustrations will be most helpful; for by diligent study of them one can easily recognize a style and its important details. Moreover, the book is filled with illustrations from old manuscripts and books of the periods showing the actual use of the different pieces of furniture and bringing home to us, as is possible by no other method, the gradual development of the furniture which in our modern sophisticated life is taken so much as a matter of course. The evolution of the chair from the primitive Egyptian wooden stool with its seat of leather thongs to the ornately carved settee with its tapestry or brocaded upholstery of the Baroque period; the primitive Italian chest, which served as wardrobe, safe, bed and seat, to the elaborately carved and gilded chest of the Italian Renaissance, are but illustrations of the careful study and research evidenced by this book. Colored illustrations are shown when necessary to emphasize a style, for example, the painted furniture of Venice and the lacquered furniture of China. The fusing of periods and styles by the various races, as in the Renaissance in Italy, Spain, France and England is cleverly treated and clearly explained by both text and illustration.
To our mind the weak part of the book is the modern furniture, which, alas, reflects not on the author, but on our modern age of commercialism and desire for profit. This brings out to the reader the lack of knowledge of line, form and proportion which rendered many of the homes of the Twentieth Century such atrocities of bad taste. Compared with the beauty and simplicity of the English Georgian and the American Colonial, it was indeed an age of horrors.
The reasons for the materials employed by the different nations and periods are also explained. The wood and metal furniture of Egypt, the marble of Greece, the bronze and marble of Rome, the oak of Flanders, the walnut of Italy and Spain, the beech, walnut and tulip woods of France, the oak and mahogany of England, the cherry and maple of the American invaluable and indispensable to the reader. But one is also told about birch, satinwood, pine, teak, wrought iron, steel and precious metals. Verily a treasure book for the delver after furniture knowledge. Wintfred Breams

GARDENING in Callfornia. By Sydney B. Mitchell. Doubleday, Page and Company.

This work goes a long way toward bridging a chasm in garden literature. Nearly all the periodicals and most of the books of this field relate to New England, the Middle Atlantic and the Central States exclusively. Only at very rare occasions appears a reference to the flora, the gardening and the landscape adornment of that long stretch of the Pacific coast that has lured so many residents of the east to make their homes there and which is bound to continue to attract. Washington and Oregon have winters that are milder than those of the more populous regions of the country; but the climate is not essentially different. California, however, is peculiar, and at no point in its range of nearly one-thousand
miles, reaching from the latitude of Boston to that of Savannah, has it climatic conditions like those familiar to the horticulturists for whom the books and magazines are made. The moderating and equalizing effects of the sea and of the winds from the land, the factors of elevation and cooling fogs all are taken account of in the introductory chapter. (The author might have done well to note that one of the best nurseries of flowering plants, at about only a hundred miles north of San Francisco and only forty miles from the coast, at an elevation of 2,300 feet above the sea, is in season as much as six weeks behind the region around San Francisco Bay and southern California. The cold winds and the cold nights, which continue until early April, retard growth.) These matters should be pondered over by the easterner who thinks of buying plants from the Pacific coast or contemplates moving to that part of the country.
But the fundamental principles of gardening are the same the world over and the statement of these, in the lengthy second chapter, is so clear and succinct and complete as to constitute a second feature making the book of general value. The third topic, Planning the Small Garden, also exhibits careful and sane thought, presented, as are all the subjects of the volume, in scholarly fashion and excellent English; but here comes in the use of some plants adapted to local conditions only. Therein lies what obviously makes the book so valuable to persons moving from other parts of the world to California: they will learn, for example, what substitutes to learn, for example, what substitutes to
use where grass fails to make god ${ }^{\text {ne }} \mathrm{ms}$, as well as what trees, shrubs a
nials are adapted to certain sites, particularly south of San Francisco and near the coast,-the region of most attractiveness to persons migrating to the state, where conditions faced are most trying to the inexperienced. (The author lives at Berkeley, near the Bay, and yet it must be borne in mind that conditions around Los Angeles and San Diego, 400 miles to the south, are not essentially different, as has been indicated above.)
One of the mainstays of the modern gardener, the Peony, must be renounced entirely, while the Iris of all types, including those that by the eastern fancier must be coddled if grown at all, flourishes spendidly. The brilliant color effects of early oriental tulips has to be foregone, for a burst of warm sunshine in February is always sure to bring these flowers out before the stems are more than an inch or two long. They are made up for by the Calochorti, which are enjoyed in three types called respectively Globe Tulips, Star Tulips and Mariposa or Butterfly Tulips, and by the other early flowering native bulbous plants, Brodiacas and Camassias. Crocuses do not amount to much, while narcissi are fairly successful, as are late tulips,-in telling about which, by the way, there is error in classifying Sir Harry as a Darwin,-and most of the bulbous plants, native and exotic. But five plants, each of which is so universally desirable that it has almost everywhere its cult, grow better here than almost anywhere else in the world. So well indeed do they thrive that for their devotees western and southern California is a Mecca. These are the Crysanthemum, the Dahlia, the Gladiolus, the Iris and the Rose. The separate treatments given each of these are in general satisfactory. The Rose, however, is dealt with too skimpingly and very few really excellent garden varieties are named. The rosarian of the east finds it difficult to believe that but few of the Teas or Hybrid Teas can be placed as close together as two feet or that Lady Hillingdon is a very vigorous
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THE present-day interest in early American interiors and the chintzes used in them brings fresh pleasure in this fabric.

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The chintz shown here is an American adaptation from an old English chintz which is still being made from the original blocks. It is very typical of the designs made in great profusion during the
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In making a saddle graft a tapering, wedge-shaped notch is first cut in the side of the stock


## HOW TREES ARE GRAFTED

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branches formed by the scion retain all developed, their buds are too far apart, their inherent desirable characteristics and they bear too late in life. Two-yearand produce, on a fruit tree, that type old shoots are also inferior; they are likely of fruit demanded from it. The stock to contain flowering buds, and when they merely furnishes the necessary food are grafted the flowers appear before a material for the well-being and growth sufficiently sound union between scion and of the scion and all its branches.

Care should be exercised in selecting drain. Should such a scion continue the stock, for it must be closely related grow it will develop a poor crown. to the scion so that the bark and the A perfect scion should have only leaf growing woody tissues of the former buds, and these should not be spaced closely resemble those of the latter. It too far apart. Then, too, the scion ought is by no means rare that two not analogous to be of the proper thickness. If it is too unions are able to grow for a certain thi length of time, but they never last for it any extended period.
Older books on gardening mention Rose is bushes upon which Apples grow, Straw- a berry trees, and other fantastic curiosities. da This is ridiculous, although it is by no which bear Apples on one part and Pears on another, or those which contain both Cherries and Damsons, or bushes bearing the Gooseberries and Currants. But in order c to produce these the gardener must have
experience in grafting and budding, and a certain amount of luck.
Success in grafting depends upon the character of the scion as well as upon the care exercised during the process. The lo best scions are those which are one year or old, healthy and vigorous, and which t contain well developed buds. These are f found only upon healthy and luxuriantly growing plants, more especially in their marged. The success of graiting crowns where the twigs can receive the
full benefit of the sun. The quick growing at the right time and kept in a cool, shady shoots or suckers should never be taken and not too damp place until used. for grafting; they are usually but poorly
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The stock notch of a saddle graft finds its carefully fitted counterpart in the prepared scion


The third step is to bind stock and scion together. The wrapping is then covered with wax


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#### Abstract

The soil in which the scions are kept


should contain about $50 \%$ sand. They are sunk in it to about half their length (6 to 8 inches) after they have been tied in small bundles. The soil is loosely packed around them and the whole is protected with a comparatively thick layer of straw or pine twigs. This will partially protect them from the influence of the light which, otherwise, would cause them to sprout too soon. Then, too, such a covering prevents too rapid evaporation of their sap such as would occur if they were exposed. Cold does not injure well protected scions, but they should be spared the extreme changes of alternate freezing and thawing. Keeping them in the cellar is not to be recommended.

## GRAFTING TIME

Actual grafting and budding are done in the spring when the sap begins to rise, in the spring when the sap begins to rise,
and are accomplished on those days and are accomplished on those days
when the sun is hidden behind clouds. The right time can easily be found by observing when the buds begin to swell. The sap of the stock should be in full movement but that of the scion at rest.
Various methods of grafting are employed, differing in mechanics but not in their final outcome. All of them have their advantages and disadvantages.
One of the oldest is that known as cleft grafting. This is a rather crude method, as the tree is considerably injured by it. But it has certain characteristics which make it exceptionally advantageous under some conditions.

This process is used where the stock is much thicker than the scion. The trunk or branch is cut off at a slight angle or horizontally. Then it is split through its center, and in this cleft the scion, which has been cut to a long, tapering wedge, is inserted so that bark touches bark, or cambium touches cambium. When the scion has been inserted its cambium must be in contact throughout its length with that of the stock so that the sap of the stock can enter, for the cambium is the growing part of the plant. Though both parts of the graft must fit internally in this way, it is not necessary that they do so externally. In order to place the growth zones together, the stock is kept cleft by means of a stick until the scion is adjusted.

Saddle grafting is a better method, for the tree is not so injured. In this method the stock is provided with a V-shaped cut, on the side. The scion is cut in a
corresponding manner so that it fits into the $V$. It is placed in the stock in such a way that its cambium meets that of the stock. Saddle grafting is well of the stock. Sadde graatung imut be
adapted to Cherries. The scion must be mature and woody.
Side grafting is probably the best method for the stone fruits. It requires that the bark of the stock be resilient, a condition that is found when the tree is producing its full flow of sap-usually in April. When the bark has been pulled away from the wood the scion, cut to a flat pointed wedge, is inserted so that cambium faces cambium. Should it be impossible to loosen the bark sufficiently for this, it must be slit vertically and then loosened. The scion itself is cut wedge shaped on one side only, and the bark left on its outside. When in place, the bark of the stock surrounds that of the scion.

## SPLICE GRAFTING

One of the simplest methods of grafting is known as splice grafting. It is used when stock and scion are of approximately the same size. Both are cut at a sharp downward angle, closely fitted and held together by binding. Since a poor union is often obtained by this method, a tongue is cut in each part to make what is called a whip or tongue graft. This tongue is shown in one of the illustrations.

A slight variation of this is the veneer graft. Here both stock and scion are cut alike. First a diagonal cut is made upward, and then, just beyond the pith, a downward and inward cut is made about two or three times as long as the stock and scion are thick. Finally, another upward and outward cut is made.

When grafting has been accomplished, the wounds must be bound up. This is done by binding bast around the joints so that they are firm but not too tight. Then the whole is covered with tree wax, or shellac is painted over the wounds. When the graft begins to grow the bandage is loosened so that it will not bind and cut off the flow of sap.

All these methods of grafting are most successful when the plants are still dormant but the sap just about to rise. In other words, some time in March or April.

## GLOS FABRICS FOR THE HOUSE

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manufacturers are now experimenting manufactured in colorings that are with them and they will doubtless be per- claimed to be both tub-fast as well as fected. A silk pile velvet may have a sunfast is the strongest point in their ground of glos, its high lustre giving popularity. It seems to be quite generally exquisite changeable color effects in supposed that sunfast dyeing is some sort drapery.

Cords and tassels, curtain tie-backs, gimps, braids, and other trimmings as well as fringe are now commonly made of glos. Great quantities are made to trim lamp shades, curtains and other draperies. The cheaper price of glos trimmings makes them available where silk would be prohibitive. Glos is now combined with almost every kind of fibre and bead in trimmings, which are used in every conceivable way. The era of the cord and tassel is upon us. of magic trick and cannot be used for silk or other animal fibres. This is a fallacy. Many colors are sunfast in silk, and as the public demand becomes clearer in this matter, others will undoubtedly be offered. Fine reds are not yet available in sunfast fabrics, but tones of rose are fair. Creams, écrus, and many yellows hold well, and as these are popular colors for curtains, they naturally meet the sun full force and prove their worth. Fabrics for upholstery and door hangings seldom meet so severe a test.


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On this house in Guilford, Baltimore, Maryland, are seieral interesting details: the cuts in the jalousies, and the turnings on the bow window. J. J. Buffington, owener; E. L. Palmer, archilect


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## THE

BUILDER'S
SCRAP BOOK
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Here are several notcworthy delails: a beautifully curving roof line, an harmonious texture between adz-hewn timbers and rough plaster, and interesting brickwork J. W. Day, owener; Frank

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A delightful example of a Colonial interior from Richmond, Va. Note the alkernating spindles in the staircase, the pediment and the landscape paper. The home of Mrs. Ramage Golsan


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What sold me first of all and induced me to buy a Buick is the fact that it has such a wonderful motor. My first real test of the motor occurred a few weeks ago when I attended the Notre Dame football game at South Bend, Indiana. The car behaved beautifully. In fact, better than any of the higher priced cars I have owned and isn't it true that after all is said and done, the motor makes the car.

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## HOW TO FORM A GARDEN CLUB

## MRS. FRANCIS KING

Note-These suggestions are taken from an article Mrs. Francis King contributed to House \&o Garden some years ago. Constant requests for copies warrants our repeating it. It contains the data necessary for founding and managing an effective Gurden Club.

HERE is a simple outline for a Constitution, to serve as a working basis only: Article 1. Name.
Arti-le 2. Object: The advancement of gardening.
3. Officers: The officers of this

Club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
Articie 4. Executive Committee: The affairs of this Club shall be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of the officers and two members, all to be elected annually.
Article 5. Membership: The membership shall be limited to active and associate. Associate members pay no dues. Qualification for membership shall be an active interest in gardening.
Article 6. Committee on Elections: The Executive Committee shall be the Committee on Elections. Anyone may propose a candidate for admission. Election consistsof a unanimous voteby the Executive Committee.
Article 7. Meetings: How many and where held. Hours for summer and winter should vary. Light refreshments shall or shall not be served at the discretion of the hostess.

## Article 8. Dues,

Article 9. This would have to do with a person or committee whose business it shall be to arrange the exchanging of plants or cuttings between members.
For the very informal and absolutely democratic garden club which we have in my special dwelling place, although we are fifty odd in number, a President, two Vice-Presidents, and a Recording Secretary, who is also Treasurer, are all Secretary, who is also Treasurer, are all
that we feel to be essential in the way of officers. Our dues are but twenty-five cents a year-our meetings are held about once a month from February (catalogues fresh upon us!) to October. No club could be simpler than this in its origin, aims and methods. There is but one qualification for membership-an interest in gardening.

## activities

The activities of the garden club in the small town may be many and varied, so a little practical advice as to meetings may not be out of place. The hour for meetings should vary in spring, summer and autumn. Late afternoon is almost invariably the time which suggests itself for midsummer gatherings; earlier in the day for spring and autumn conferences. Always have on the table of the presiding officer a few specimen flowers or foliage cuttings, correctly labelled. This is a stimulus which acts in many directions. Allow as little business as possible to come before regular meetings-bend all your energies there to discussion of the horticultural subject. Accumulate as rapidly as may be a few good books as the nucleus of a club library, never considering Bailey's great Cyclopaedia of Horticulture as anything but a necessity, though you may be compelled to call it an eventual one. Lists of garden books can be had from anyone who has really studied the subject, but such lists should be more discriminating than those I have thus far chanced to see. Many worthless books are usually included in them. An examining member, herself a practical gardener, on the Library Committee of a garden club would be well.
If a regular course should be desired by any garden club, the compiling of a
such already exists arranged by the editor of a New York periodical for women. Access to libraries should not make the getting up of such a program overtrying, however. If, for instance, an outline of the history of the art of gardening should be desired for winter deliberations (and let me here assert my firm belief that nothing could be better for us all as individual gardeners) such an outline may be found in Volumes II and III, 1880 and 1800 , of Garden and Forest, and from no less a pen than that of Mrs. Schuyler Van Rensselaer.
Papers by members may seem a bugbear in a club's beginnings. Help this matter by providing material to be read by different ones, and to accumulate such material and consult the files of the delightful and lamented paper, Garden and Forest; look back at your old copies of House and Garden for articles by experts. Cultural and horticultural advice ten or fifteen or forty years old for the same climate is in many respects as good today as when freshly written. Here is a list of suggested topics for papers, gathered from various sources, with one or two original suggestions whose value I admit is debatable:
Spring Planting or Fall Planting, Which?
The Twelve Best Seed Catalogues Now Current
The Question of the Fence.
Other People's Gardens.
The Newer Varieties of Vegetables.
The New Chinese Shrubs.
A Garden of Irises.
A Green Garden.
Roses and Rose Culture.
Shrubs and Trees to Attract Birds.
A Joseph's Coat Garden.
The Artistic Use of So-called Beddingout Plants.
Structural Green in the Garden.
Is the Pergola an American Necessity? Garden Design
The Need of a Plan for the Small City or Suburban Lot.
The Spring Garden.
An occasional lecture by one thoroughly versed in some special subject connected with the garden is a wonderful fillip to interest in meetings. In our club, where the dues are so small, we cannot engage speakers. But should an authority on gardening happen to be in the town, we seize upon him or her and demand a few crumbs of garden wisdom as our right. But-not too many lectures, or individual participation lags. Once or twice a season experience meetings are well. Call the roll, asking each member beforehand to use three minutes in describing her greatest success or most depressing failure during the past season. The severest garden club atmosphere under this treatment warms and glows.
Too many lectures, I may repeat, hurt rather than help. Too much intensive work is apt to grow dull. To strike the delicate balance is the needed thing. Above all to get many members actively to work-this is the secret of success in any organization of any kind.

## discussion

The very lifeblood of any meeting is free and intelligent discussion, and this is always present in the garden club of our town. Always the hidden gifts of knowledge and of expression which come to light prove a delightful thing. Small concerted movements on the part of the club are common. For example, the receiving vault in our cemetery needed a hanging of green; the garden club bought a dozen good creepers of unusual character -Euonymous radicans (var. Vegeta), and Ampelopsis Lowii, to be explicit, and thus filled this small public want. A bride in a new house with ungarnished
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grounds receives a visit from a large committee of the club, each of whom brings her quota of shrubs and plants from her own store. Seeds and plants are constantly exchanged between members. But the true beauty of this club is its democracy. Every woman is welcome to the house in which the meeting chances to be held. I quite realize that this is possible or practicable only in the smaller community; but one cannot but dream of the time when it will be common in the large.

In some garden clubs an extra officer is elected to manage the exchanging of seeds and plants between members. This is sometimes effected by the handing in of cards with names of things wanted and of cards with names of things superfluous. One person can thus readily rectify matters to the satisfaction of all. I shall never forget the pretty sight at the meeting of a certain adorable garden club, where heaps of pink-wrapped bundles of the roots of hardy pale-yellow chrysanthemums were free for all to take home as many as they liked! For most of us things multiply so quickly. We should remember that Achillea ptarmica, The Pearl, for instance, is actually listed in many catalogues as fifteen cents, and that there are many aspiring if less well posted gardeners to whom the greedy thing is worth that sum!
In the garden club of Alma we have sixteen groups of women, each group charged with the business of growing the best flowers from seed. The groups at present are as follows: Sweet William, Zinnia, Gladiolus, Iris, Columbine, Poppy, Shasta Daisy, Geranium, Dahlia, Lark spur, Stock, and others whose names may readily occur to the reader. These group. meet at their own convenience, buy their seeds, plant and take care of the trial bed allotted to them
A year ago a fine formal garden, whose owner was away, was lent us by this absent friend to use by our groups as a trial garden. The various beds of the garden were ideal bits of ground for this practice, and the place itself by August was a picture of beauty. We tried not to use it as a mere target to throw flowers at, but to keep the unities a little in mind. On a day in May the large borrowed garden was an interesting sight with groups of people actively engaged in cultivating, planting and sowing every bed. And in September a yet more interesting picture was there, for the flowers had done marvelously well, and squares of Zinnia, Dahlia, Petunia, Aster, Stock, Verbena and Gladiolus in a setting of well-kept turf made a pretty spectacle. It would be well if such generosity could be oftener shown in the lending of the unused garden. However, if a garden is not at hand, a vacant lot might be secured. Such trial grounds are invaluable, both for the education and pleasure which they give to members of a garden club and as objects of public interest, comment and example.

## flower show

An annual Gladiolus Show on very simple lines is arranged for August. This, by the way, I believe to be the simplest, most effective small flower show possible, and therefore perhaps the best with which to start. Given a broad, nonwindy piazza, a few boards and barrels, some dark green cambric, five or six dozens of glass fruit jars, and the thing is done. The gilded ribbons for prizes can readily be made at home. And when one or two speakers are added, too, at the time of the flowery array, to hold forth briefly on the matter of classification, naming, and the best uses of the flower of the day, the little show is sure to become a yearly event to many people.

We have found it best to begin with the gladiolus in entering upon a course
of fiower shows, but the tulip would be a comparatively simple flower to use in this way, as would the sweet pea. Daffodils would be somewhat more difficult owing to their rather involved classification. The Dahlia, however, affords a magnificent subject for garden club exhibiting. I would suggest for the very glory of it, though I do not know whether or not this has ever been done, a show composed exclusively of Rambler Roses and Delphiniums. Garlands, festoons of delicious little pink roses, ranging from those faintly tinged with color to such rich hues as are in Excelsa, arranged so they seem to start from pots of such dwarf ramblers as Ellen Poulson, and at intervals in the background sheaves of blue to bluest Delphiniums!
Shows of annuals only should be interesting and effective, and I hope the time may come when we shall have little shows of the finer Ceraniums and dwarf Cannas that these beautiful and ever-blooming flowers may again find place in our good gardening schemes. An autumn show comprising both flowers and vegetables is often tried and found successful. I shall never forget the beauty and originality of effect of a rich basket at a recent garden club show of this type. The occupants of this basket were ears of a purplish-black corn, delicate green heads of lettuce, eggplant and the purpleblue flower of an artichoke. One could not fancy a more decorative color effect than this. A Rose show, too, suggeste itself as a matter of course. And how amusing it would be to try the experiment of a show to be composed entirely of blue flowers- the varying ideas of that hue would be everywhere in evidence and what opportunities for enlightening comparisons
That the garden club shall keep abreast of the general march of gardening knowledge a membership on the part of some officer or member is advisable in all the societies in this country which make a study of special plants, such as the American Peony Society, the American Rose Society, and so on. Also memberships in large horticultural organizations are highly desirable, as in this way the help of the many is brought to the few.
the soclal spirit
Now as to the social side of the small garden club. In no other department of social life can such independence of spirit be shown as here. This is due to the fact that members and their guests are absorbed by the fascination of study and discussion of gardening in one or another of its forms; it matters not to them what they shall eat, what they shall drink-I had almost added, wherewithal they shall be clothed. For clubs in a smaller community the question of the collation is often and naturally, however, a matter for concern. Let the articles limit this as they do in the suggested constitution; but, more than this, let the individual hostess occasionally omit the pleasant cup of tea. Do not be bound by a trifling custom which fades into the background where so important a matter as garden tark is and should be uppermost.
The time is here when any beginning garden club can map out its plans with no difficulty and may start on its career with high hopes of success. It is common knowledge that the very character of the gardening interest makes people more ready to help than in almost any other form of organized work. There is something in this charming practice of working in and on flowers which gives us a rare friendship with each other. It must be that the very elements of wind, rain, sun, so freely sent us and without which we could do nothing, have their leavening influence upon the spirit, and make one generous and self-forgetting in gardening.

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racemes two and two and one-half feet winning favor under the popular name of long are cultivated in Japan and also a Fleece Vines are Polygonum baldschuani-purple-flowered form with racemes which cum and P. Aubertii. They grow from 8 I myself have measured sixty-four and to 12 ft . tall and produce masses of white one half inches long! These plants are flowers and form a fleece-like drapery of always grown by the side of ponds and singular beauty. With age the flowers streams and the stems trained to form an change to pink. These plants are not arbor, and it is unlimited water supply always easy to establish but are well during the time of flowering that accounts worth a little extra troubie.
for the phenomenally long racemes.

The Japanese Wistaria is hardier than its more widely known Chinese relative and therefore deserves to be more generally cultivated in the north. The flowers are slightly smaller and open rather later but are fragrant and equally beautiful. The white, purple, and pinkish forms are perfectly hardy

Quite recently a third Oriental species (W. venusta) has been recognised. This has short, broad racemes of pure white flowers larger than those of other species and leaves clothed with persistent soft hairs. This is the best of all for forcing and growing in tubs but for the trellis or pergola is not so useful since its flowerbuds are apt to get winter killed
A root-climber that should be in every garden is the Climbing Hydrangea (H petiolaris) which bears at the ends of short lateral branches flat clusters eight to ten inches across of white flowers. It is perfectly hardy and does well on walls with a north or west exposure, on buildings and on trees. The leaves are of good size, deep green in color and the plant is not subject to insect attacks or disease. This climber is abundant a throughout the moist forests of Japan, where I have seen trees from seventy to eighty feet tall laden with masses of flowers of this Hydrangea

A smaller Japanese climber and even more beautiful than the preceding but, unfortunately, less easy to establish, is Schizophragma hydrangeoides. It is very like the Climbing Hydrangea in foliage and habit but the inflorescence on the outside has pure white ovate bracts instead of four-partite sterile flowers, This plant is difficult to procure though the name appears in most catalogs of nursery stock but the plant supplied is almost invariably the Climbing Hydrangea.

A comparatively new, hardy, and very beautiful plant native of Japan and Korea is Tripterygium Regelii, with brown. spotted stems, bright green leaves and large clusters of small white flowers which are followed by curious, winged fruits. Two lovely twining plants fast

Clematis has more variously colored lowers than any other genus of hardy climbers. There are species with white, blue, pink, scarlet. claret-red, and yellow flowers and their flowering season is from the early summer until autumn. They excellent subjects for trellises, low walls and arbors but it should be remembered that these plants are fond of ime. The large star-shaped flowers of the Oriental C. patens, C. florida and C lanuginosa, the European C. Viticella and their various colored garden forms; and the Jackmani hybrids which are mixures of all four, captivate the attention wherever seen. The white flowered C. montana from eastern Asia is an old avorite. A variety of this (var. rubens) with rose-colored flowers from two and one fourth to three inches across and dark foliage, which I had the pleasure of introducing to cultivation in 1900, is acclaimed by many garden-lovers to be one of the most beautiful of all the Clematis. Around Boston it has not proved completely hardy; but at Newport R. I., some good examples may be en. The white-flowered C. Fargesin and the summer-blooming C. montana . Wilsomi with large fascicles of lowers are also desirable plants. In June blossoms the Chinese C. Langutica with its pale green leaves and lovely clear yellow, top-shaped flowers and the carlet-flowered C. coccinea from Texas. Another hardy species is C. glauca and its variety akebioides from northern China with bronzy yellow, obconical flowers produced in August. In early September the Japanese C. apiifolia is a billowy mass of small white flowers and with its well-known fellow countrymen, paniculata, is indispensable.
The native Trumpet-vine (Campsis radicans, better known as Tecoma radi cans) is a common and much appreciated climber, more especially the variety pracoox and the hybrid C. hybrida. But these are in size and beauty of flower surpassed by their Chinese relative less年s hardy. In the Chinese plant the (Continued on page 122)
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Bronzy-yellow obconical flowers appear in August on Clematis Glauce Akebioides making an umusually brilliant showing

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flowers are orange-scarlet and the shade it ripens from white to pale purple a is more pleasing than that of the American clear turquoise blue,
kinds. Closely related to these is the Two excellent vines which retain the Cross-vine (Bignonia capreolata), abun- dark green leaves later into the fall tha dant in the southeastern States, and has any other are Akebia quinata and large trumpet-shaped flowers, orange- lobata. These are hardy stem-climbe yellow within the tube, dark scarlet and with good foliage, rather inco without. picuous flowers and ornamental, fles
Among the American species of fruit containing an edible pulp Honeysuckle there are several good One of the most vigorous, hardy, a hardy climbers but the best is Lonicera popular of all stem-climbers is Actinid Heckrottii, a hybrid of unknown origin. arguta, which has glossy green leaves a From the middle of June until the early red stalks and small, saucer-shape wh frosts appear this plant is in blossom. flowers with numerous stamens a The clustered flowers are deep rose-color black anthers. There are two forms without and pale yellow within and this and all other species of Actinid though fragrant only in the evening they one with purely male flowers and anoth are very beautiful. Very vigorous growers with perfect flowers. Two other Japane are L. flava and L. glaucescens, with species of Actinidia (A. kolomikta and yellow flowers, L. sempervirens with polygama) are in cultivation and in the scarlet flowers and the hybrid $L$. Brownii a varying number of the foliage leaves and its form fuchsioides with winecolored flowers. Of the European Honeysuckles or Woodbines, (P. Periclymenum and $L$. Caprifolium) there are several varieties one of which (var. belgica, known as the Dutch Honeysuckle) is continuous blooming. A new Oriental species of surpassing merit is L. tragophylla with large heads of three-inch long, rich, golden yellow flowers. Many climbing honeysuckles are subject to attacks of black aphis and they can only be kept in good condition by careful spraying with an antidote early in the sprason as the leaves unfold.

There are several vines of great value for their attractive fruits and among them the native Waxwork (Celastrus scandens) and its relative C. articulata from northeastern Asia are good trellis plants but they are seen to best advantage as a tangle on and over large rocks. In the autumn, when laden with yellow fruit which opens and exposes the seeds with their brilliant orange-scarlet covering, there are few plants of equal beauty. If branches be cut just as the fruit commence to open and płaced in vases without water the ornamental value is retained throughout the winter.
In foliage the most delicate and attractive and in fruit among the most beautiful of all climbers is Ampelopsis beauty no class exceeds in vigor a beautiful an in arimety (Vitis). Ma The leaves ane finely dissected and the beautiful species are native of this con The leaves are finely dissected and the try, but the noblest of on page 124)
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from northern Japan. This vine has paratively new plant, native of the Texas broad, heart-shaped leaves of enormous Panhandle but is quite hardy and fast size and much substance, dark green and growing with large rather pale bluish netted above with a felt of brown hairs green leaves of very firm texture. on the underside; in autumn the foliage Three most widely grown climbers changes to vivid scarlet and crimson. remarkable for the brilliant autumn It is the most vigorous of hardy vines and colors of their leaves are the native in the moist forests of northern Japan Virginia Creepers (Parthenocissus viclimbs to the tops of trees sixty feet tall, tacea, $P$. quinquefolia) and the Boston and in the thickets, glades, and on the Ivy ( $P$. tricuspidata, better known as margins of woods and swamps, makes an Ampelopsis Veitchii) a native of the impenetrable jungle. The fruit is jet Orient. The hardiest of the trio is $P$. black, globose, and edible and the plant quinquefolia, which in nurseries is usually is one to which breeders of new fruits sold under the name of "Ampelopsis might well turn their attention.

Ens Ottan and clines to walls and markably rich in species of Vitis and in buildings by means of discs at the ends of the Arnold Arboretum no fewer than the tendrils. There are several varieties, fourteen are perfectly hardy on the but the best is var. San-Paulii. In trellises, All are good and it is not easy to Europe P. quinquefolia is little known make a selection. Among the handsomest and there $P$. vitacea passes for it. This, are $V$. cinerea, $V$ bicolor and $V$. Doaniana, however, is a very different plant which The first-named is a most vigorous plant will not cling to walls but with its shining with leaves dark green above, ashy green leaves and rich autumn tints it is gray below and, like the young shoots, splendid for trellises. Two other beautiful clothed when they unfold with a felt of but less hardy species are P. Henryana, gray hairs. The second species is equally which has a white stripe down the center vigorous and has large deeply lobed of each lobe of the leaf, and $P$. Thomsonit eaves which are dark green above and with reddish leaves claret-purple on the bluish green below. The third is a com- underside

## THE <br> C A R E <br> O F <br> THE FLOOR

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The kitchen must have a floor that is comforting to the foot and the back, for t is essentially the daily laboratory where here is much walking about. It must be floor that looks well and that is easily kept looking well, or it becomes an added burden and but scatters discomfort and disturbances. Even though wood is lovely it does mean care in the kitchen, et when finished correctly it is less rouble, of course.
When oiling or waxing the floor give these coatings time to soak in, for it is their penetration into the pores of the wood which does the protective work; and although the effect is attractive their hief function is to protect. Some people Ise linseed oil, warmed, for floors, yet it is far less trouble to buy a floor wax.
So, in conclusion, it is worth while to employ any floor you desire and the upkeep of none is bothersome if you care or it systematically.
After all, the floor is the underpinning f each and every part of the home; it is vorth your thought, for it ties together whatever is put on it. If you do not wax, rub down and systematically care for your floor and permit useless trucking ver it, and do not cap your furniture with smooth shod feet and legs, you will e but cheating yourself of beauty; not only of your floor but of the home itself, or the floor condition spreads restlessness, or restfulness, to everything and in every perfect home.


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\section*{AZALEAS AND RHODODENDRONS}

\author{
FRED F. ROCKWELL
}

ONE class of plants which we could spare least of all from our gardens would be broad-leafed evergreensazaleas and rhododendrons. And it should be good news to American garden lovers that efforts are being made to propagate them here. This is only natural, because there are many sections of this country to which rhododendrons and azaleas are indigenous and where the natural conditions for their growth are ideal.
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\section*{AZALEAS AND RHODODENDRONS}
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concerned. Dr. Coville's method of soil through the winter for the evaporation treatment for acid-loving plants is which takes place through the leaves; merely an addition to the soil, with and an additional mulch of leaves or much the same method that you would other rough material, some six inches use ordinary commercial fertilizer, of aluminum sulphate. Repeated experiments have proved that even on soils have proved that even on soils There are; unfortunately, only a few ind satisfactory growth with this class of many sections they are not azaleas. In plants, the addition of this material has all. In some localities and in some searesulted in a remarkable increase in sons, the rhododendron lace fly may vigor and size of growth. The amount develop in numbers sufficient to somewhich should be applied varies from what injure the foliage. This is a very half a pound per square yard on "sweet" soils to a quarter of a pound on soils which are neutral, or slightly acid.
Aluminum sulphate is used extensively in chemical industries and is not expensive. In large quantities it can be purchased at about \(\$_{3}\) a ton.
The next thing in importance to preparing the soil is the mulching of the plants. The ordinary method of planting, which consists of setting the plants in a bed or an open border with the surface of the soil exposed to the hot sun, produces the wrong conditions. Early in the spring, the plants should be carefully given a thick mulch. Any of the following materials may be used: tan bark, pine needles, rough leaf mold, or commercial "humus" mixed with rough leaf mold.
If the two conditions mentioned above are provided, and if the plants are kept free from lace bug and Pestalozzia by removing the infested leaves, anyone can grow rhododendrons anywhere. The physical character of the soil has little effect one way or the other. I have seen plants grown in the peaty soil of Holland, transferred to heavy clay and to light sandy soils, and therein thrive equally as well as where they had been grown.
Late in the fall, unless there have been abundant rains, the beds should be given a thorough soaking, to provide moisture

H E A T I N G
DONALD M. FORFAR, M. E.

WHAT kind of a heating system shall I install?
Times without number that question has been asked by the home builder. Whatever it is, it must be right; and to be right, it must produce results in the form of comfort.
The types of heating systems used in house work may be divided into three classes: warm air, hot water, and vapor (steam) systems. Now, which shall it be?
Does the construction used in the house itself have any particular bearing on the subject? No, but the size of the house has. Are there any cases where any one of the three systems mentioned will give equally satisfactory results? Yes, but factors are invariably present to cause a factors are invariably present to c
stronger bearing toward some one.
What, then, shall it be? Warm air? Hot Water? Steam?

\section*{THE WARM AIR FURNACE}

The warm air furnace is not only one of the simplest, but also one of the oldest types for providing heat from a central point. Briefly, the operation is as follows:

The air supply to the furnace is taken either from the outside (fresh outside air) or from the inside (re-circulated air) or a mixture of the two, as may be desired. In each case a duct is provided leading from the furnace to the point of supply. A screened opening in the basement foundation wall (sometimes a basement window opening is used) serves as the fresh air intake, while the re-circulated air is taken from some point on the first
floor through a large floor register or othe convenient arrangement. The air supply after entering the furnace passes up anc over the heated body of the furnace prope to the top and thence through distributirg flues to the outlet registers located in th various rooms to be heated. The entir action is based on gravity flow; that is, th air in passing through the furnace is expanded by the heating and becomes lighter than the entering air, this creating a constant circulation as long as the fur nace is kept in operation.
The entering air to the furnace is no capable of holding a great amount o moisture, and if moisture is not added t it before it enters the rooms, the air wil absorb moisture from various objects in the room, such as woodwork, plants people, etc. To overcome this trouble, water pan arrangement is provided in connection with the furnace so that th hot, expanded air will pass over anc absorb moisture through evaporation.
Mistakes in the earlier designs of warm air furnace systems with resultant un satisfactory performance made many enemies for this type of heating plant and were a large factor in the rapid growth o the present-day hot water systems During the last few years, however, th problem has received very careful and thorough study, both from the scientific and practical standpoints, with the resulf that the furnace system is again gaining in stength. Present-day warm air furnace installations can, and do, produce th desired results. Properly designed and (Continued on page 132)


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HEATINGSYSTES
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installed, the warm air furnace system is the ideal system for the small house of, say, up to six or seven rooms. It is relatively cheaper in cost than corresponding carefully designed and installed water or steam plants, is considerably quicker in action and lends itself much more readily to proper control of humidity and fresh air admission.

If you should decide to install a warm air furnace system in your small home, see to it that the following points are properly cared for:
x. Each room to be heated should receive separate consideration. Size of warm air flue and all connections should be made large enough, so that the volume of air delivered will be adequate to keep the room warm under the most severe weather condition.
2. Furnace size must be ample to heat properly the total air volume required at periods of most severe weather conditions. As the ratings used by various furnace manufacturers are not always to be relied upon, the safest course is to place the business in the hands of some responsible contractor or furnace company and abide by their decision. Remember that adequate grate area and adequate heating surface are both equally essential.
3. The furnace should be equipped with an evaporator pan of large surface capacity and arranged with an automatic water feed valve located outside the furnace casing for easy inspection and piped up so that a constant level of water will be maintained in the pan at all times.

Location of furnace with respect to the various rooms to be heated should be as central as possible and the length of flue runs from furnace to the outlet registers in rooms as short as possible.
5. Use registers and register boxes designed to give full area connections to the warm air flues. Many times, particularly where wall registers are used, both the flue connection and the register box are restricted in area in an attempt to get everything within the limited space afforded by the standard \(2 \times 4\) stud partition. Wall boxes and registers are now designed to extend from \(2^{\prime \prime}\) to \(4^{\prime \prime}\) out from base board at floor line in order to get the required area.
6. All sheet metal work from furnace casing itself, up to and including register boxes, should be made of bright galvanized or tinned sheet metal all joints to be soldered air-tight. Install a volume damper with control handle in each separate flue.
7. Remember that you are dealing with gravity flow proposition. Cool air falls, warm air rises; therefore, make sure that all warm air flues, particularly those portions run at basement ceiling, have as much upward pitch as possible. Pit the furnace if necessary to accomplish this.

\section*{HOT WATER AND STEAM}

In both the hot water and steam systems cast iron radiators are used to transmit the heat of the water or steam to the room. The hot water system is the one most commonly used in home work, both large and small. In the last few years, however, steam or so called vapor systems have gained considerable favor, particularly for the larger installations.
For home heating work, both hot water systems and steam systems are, in general, designed for gravity flow. In the hot water system, the water on being heated expands, becomes lighter per unit volume rises through the piping system to the radiators, where it loses its heat, and thence flows on down through the return piping to the boiler, where it is again heated and the cycle repeated.

In the steam or vapor system the action is essentially the same, except that steam instead of water flows from the boiler up through the piping system to the radiators where it is condensed, the water of con densation flowing back to the boiler
In a hot water system the amount of radiation used depends upon the maximum temperature to which the water is to be heated during most severe weather periods. For home work it is desirable not to place this maximum temperature at more than 1600 Fahr., installing sufficient radiation and boiler capacity to do the work at this maximum temperature. One of the most desirable features of a hot water heating system is the moderateness of the heat and the wide range possible in the water temperature thereby enabling one to vary the amount of heat according to the weather requirements.
In the steam system the amount of radiation used is considerably less than in a water system, due to the higher temperature of the steam, exact amount of radiation in any case depending upon the steam pressure to be carried. For home work, practically all steam systems are the so-called vapor systems.
Vapor heating systems may, in general be classed as a steam system under such control that the water in the boiler is brought just to the boiling point and held at that point. Under this condition, the steam (vapor) produced is at atmospheric pressure or, possibly, a few ounces above. Water pattern radiation is always used so that the steam connection to the radiators may be made at the top fractional control inlet valves being used for throttling down the steam supply at each radiator to meet the heating requirements.
Of the two types of systems, the water is the simpler and more easily understood as to operation. All vapor (steam) systems have various automatic auxiliaries in the way of return traps, air reliefs, pressure regulators, etc., which look more or less mysterious to the average layman and particularly to the housevife. Either system is adaptable to use in small homes, as well as large, and the cost will run approximately the same

\section*{steam heat}

The steam system is the quicker to heat, but also the quicker to cool, if the fire is allowed to get low, while in the case of the water system, conditions are just the reverse, that is, it takes longer to heat up the water throughout the system, but the water body retains the heat and cools off slowly.
No matter which system of heating is used, the radiation amounts, boiler size and design of piping system should be given the most careful consideration by someone competent and experienced along that line. We have all heard of those trouble cases where insufficient radiation was installed or too small a boiler used. Any incorrectly designed or installed piping system, however, is liable to give far more trouble and is much harder to correct.
Just one word here relative to boiler sizes. The small cast iron boilers (steam or hot water) used for house heating work are, for the most part, rated in terms of square feet of radiation (steam or water). Experience has shown that, to be on the safe side, boilers with ratings equal to twice the square feet of radiation actually installed in the house should be selected.

Note-This is the second article on the mechanics of the home contributed by Mr. Forfar. The first appeared in the January issue.



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Among the plants suitable for a shady spot where the ground needs to be covered is Pachysandra terminalis, a trailer that makes a glossy mat

A SHADY TERRAGE GARDEN
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the little pool and bird baths, the birds Veronicas form the low, colorful edging . themselves, and all the varied charm of Among the rocks is the charming foliage and of flowers. foliage of Bleeding Hearts, and here
What life running water does give to a and there, like rare plants, a Spiraea or a garden! Here is a pool at one end, sur- Larkspur. These taller plants are also rounded with foliage and flowers that used in the borders in the same way, just furnish the motif for the rest of the a few plants of a kind; their very rareness garden.

Around the pool, are low flowers that atmosphere. There are, for instance, love to be tucked in between the rocks, the tall stems of the Physostegia, the as they love to be tucked into stone showy Monarda, the interesting flowers paths and steps: the rose mattings of the of the Platycodon, the lovely tall Meadow Phlox subulata, the grey and lavendar Rue, Peach-leaved Campanulas, a few haze of the Nepeta, the springtime gold of Mallows and the delicate Columbinesyellow Alyssum, the esoteric bloom and flowers and foliage that are all the more foliage of the soft yellow Primulas, the intriguing when you come upon them whiteness of Arabis that companions the growing in this way under Oak trees in early Iris. Then there is the Artemesia, the naturalistic company of high shrubcalled by some Southernwood or Old bery instead of in more formal surroundMan, which has no bloom to boast of but ings.
is altogether charming as an edging and Plants, like people, have a way of ground cover because of its delightful looking different in different surroundings fo' iage. Then there are Clove Pinks, for and at different seasons of the year. June bloom and fragrance, and Canadian Plants, like people, too, have their Violets. and Irises that look well with their favorite habitations, and not all feel sword-like foliage even after they have happy with woodsy trees. When you bloomed. The mid-summer Funkias, are in this garden, however, there are so too, have a place among the rocks and many plants and such delightful bloom then form repeats in the borders, while the right through the summer months that Artemesias, Nepetas, Pansies and Gypso- you realize there need be no scarcity in the phila, some rose Petunias and small flowers that will grow beneath tall trees.

\section*{WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT WOOD FLOORS}
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One of the most important things to remember about any kind of flooring lumber is the necessity of keeping it dry and laying it dry in a dry house. Flooring lumber at the mill is air-dried and kilndried, accurately milled and stored in dry lofts or storehouses. It is shipped in closed cars and kept dry by the local dealer who receives it. When it arrives "on the job" (and it should not arrive until the exact time it is needed to lay) it should be kept dry. It should be the last thing installed in the new house, after the plastering is dry, because of the natural property of any and all wood to absorb moisture. If a floor is laid damp, or in damp premises, and dries out afterward, cracks are inevitable, and not to be blamed upon the wood, or upon the carpenter, unless the latter has been careless or unconscientious enough to ignore the necessity of laying his floor dry.

In laying new floors over old ones, the important thing is to make the old floor as level as possible, nailing down all loose boards, and equalizing hollows with building paper of building felt. The new boards are then laid in the opposite direction to the old boards, and a half inch away from all the base-boards, this difference being covered with a quarterround nailed in place after the floor is laid. This helf-inch will allow for an expansion which may take place, and will prevent any consequent danger of the floor buckling.

As in every other detail of house building, the matter of floors is best dealt with by acquiring all the known facts about flooring using a fair amount of judgment, insisting upon good workmanship, but expecting nothing, either in workmanship or material, for which you are not paying.


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dens and a picnic ground; also the clearing of several viewpoints for the enjoyment of the superb scenery of the surrounding countryside.

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On the highest point of the ridge which parallels The Vista on the left, and only thirty feet from the southern edge of the woods, a cosy tea house, constructed of unbarked red cedar, commands the same magnificent view as that from The Vista. The tea house is the restful objective of (Contimued on page 140)


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all the paths and woodland trails, taken from hedge-rows on the edges of The only treatment given the paths adjacent pastures; and its inhabitants was to make them comfortable for were soon reveling in the secluded nesting walking. Protruding stones and tree- and hiding places and the abundance of roots were removed, stepping stones were seeds and berries they afforded. Finally, laid in moist reaches and simple log bridges were thrown across the brook where needed. The undergrowth on both sides was removed so as to leave an irregular border from two to four feet wide; and this border was afterwards planted with Partridgeberry, Hepaticas, Violets and other cover-plants. Today, it contains clumps and masses of every kind of wild plant that grows naturally in the vicinity, or has been introduced there. It is wonderful how appreciative of light and elbow room all the wildings are and how quickly they discover and take possession of localities thus favored.

The finishing touch to all this prepar tory work was the judicious thinning out of spindling second-growth saplings and underbrush in the immediate neighborhood of The Vista and the paths. This was often strikingly effective, particularly where it disclosed notably fine specimens or groups of trees and, by providing more breathing space and better light, encouraged them to develop greater beauty and symmetry. No attempt was made to clean up along the trails or in the remote interiors beyond the range of clear vision. Such areas should always be left undisturbed, for the dense masses of bushes, vines and low plants, which naturally cover a forest floor, maintain equable conditions of moisture and temperature and are as necessary to the permanent health and vigor of the trees as the soil itself
Everything was now ready for the planting. I shall not go into minute details regarding this part of the work, for the selection of material and its arrangement are frequently matters of personal preference; and in this regard the dear old lady was inclined to be opinionated, not to say peculiar. I did insist, however, upon respecting the soil preferences of the plants that were put in and had my way in this as well as in using the native flora of the neighboring woods and fields as the basis of all group plantings. The Vista, the glades and the open spaces around the tea house and other shelters, were bordered with flowering trees and shrubs of local origin and carpeted with the commoner wild flowers. Rare and vanishing species were installed with care in the Wild Flower Sanctuary, where they were hidden from casual intruders by an encircling wall of Pines, Hemlocks and Mountain Laurel. The Bird Sanctuary, located along the brook, was surrounded with fruit-bearing bushes
seeds and berries they afforded. Finally,
wherever there were open stretches at the edges of the woods, they were closed with thickets and densely habited shrubs, A hillside close at hand was covered with Dogwoods, Sumacs, Sassafras and Mountain Ash and these were used freely and with fine effects, at conspicuous points. Border plantings like these serve to keep out drying summer winds and destructive winter storms, and form effectual barriers against intrusion.
My last visit to the dear old lady was in early June, last year. Together we walked across the lawn and into the woods. A superb white fringe tree, in full bloom, stood just at the right of the entrance. Once inside and around the bend of the curve, I came to some realization of the wonderful transformation four years wrought. The great White and Red Oaks along The Vista had extended their branches until they interlaced overhead, forming an unbroken canopy. Along the borders the clouds of bloom on the mountain laurels gave the impression of long banks of pinkish snow. I noted that the great Rhododendrons back of the Laurels were covered with buds. Underfoot, the ground was surfaced with mosses of every hue, spangled with the white and pink stars of the Goldthread and Woodsorrel. Farther on, at the entrance to the Sanctuary path, a full-grown Withe-rod, its branches heavy with blossoms, pointed downward towards the brook. And in the Sanctuary itself, among the Hemlocks, was one of the finest and happiest colonies of the pink Ladyslipper it has ever been my fortune to see. We went on to the tea house and enjoyed the distant landscape picture, then followed the Laurel path back to The Vista, stopped to admire the sunny rock garden (recently planted) and returned by the Azalea path to the house passing several fine clusters of the glowing Flame Azalea, then at the height of its splendor.

As the dear old lady sank into a roomy rocker on the veranda, she smiled and said, "You see that my dream has become reality."
What she accomplished in her tenacre wood-lot is typical of what may be expected from similar treatment of any tree-clad area, regardless of its size or its location. So I am not without hope that what \(T\) have miten will stow the courage them to emulate her success.

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linoleum to stimulate tiles, covered with a taupe colored rug octagonal in shape. For furniture I would suggest blue lacquer Queen Anne side chairs with seats covered in antique green satin with an embroidered design of ships. A black glass top on a wrought iron table sounds a bit startling but it is both practical and smart and if octagonal in shape, with each section about thirty three inches wide, will allow one to entertain as many as sixteen guests without crowding

Wrought iron side fixtures with blue glass and crystal prisms will give sufficient light to the room and should be on each side of the four niches, making eight lights in all. These may be single or double brackets depending on the wall space. The table decoration in this room might consist of a low flat blue glass bowl, filled with orange zinnias and four tall glass candle sticks.
all glass candle sticks.
Frequently the hall
Frequently the hall is the room most in need of rejuvenation. Should your house be English in type it would be charming to have a lacquered hall, if the space is large enough. In a room about ten by twelve feet, the walls could be covered with compo-board and a narrow picture molding used to simulate paneling. Paint the whole wall red and then paint the inside of each of the panels silver. When dry, paint over this with the red paint. Rub down with fine sand paper to remove any roughness that may be found When rubbing, rub enough of the red paint off to allow the silver to show through. Cut out of Chinese paper, or any imported paper, figures of trees, people and temples and paste these in the panels, trying to make each design different and interesting. When finished, coat the walls with a heavy varnish and rub, when dry, with powdered rottenstone mixed with a little water. This will bring up a high gloss and if kept waxed will look like old lacquer.
A small upholstered sofa covered in black satin corded with red, or done in gold damask would look well in this hall. A novel way to cover a small sofa would be to upholster it with satin and have a loose ruffle around the bottom of the frame reaching to within an inch or so of the floor. Over this have broad scalloped tabs, bound with red satin and fastened into the seams of the sofa. These tabs take the place of box pleats and are a bit different from the average box pleated ruffle. A narrow iron console can be used on the wall opposite to balance the sofa. Paint the floor bright green and over this paint an extra soat of blue and finally one of black. Finish with two coats of varnish and as these different coats of paint wear through the floor will be given a lovely mottled effect. Care should be taken that the cracks between the boards are filled in with putty before painting.

Mirrors are always decorative and especially useful in a dark hall. One in wrought iron with a trellis over the mirror part would be attractive in this hall hung above the console with a bright cord and tassel. It would reflect the polished surface of the wall and help greatly in creating an effect of brilliancy

In a city apartment with a long hall I have seen a very clever idea carried out by painting the walls a soft jade green with marbleized woodwork. The floor was tiled in black and white squares, and by a clever tree design painted on both of the long side walls a feeling of space
and lightness was achieved. These trees, with birds and colored flowers, made an amusing background. There was only space for a narrow Italian chest of drawers and two side chairs. These had amusing little tufted slip covers of cream satin with shirred ruchings of cherry red ribbon. The chest contained extra bed clothing and the side chairs did duty for extra guests at meal times. This hall was lighted by an old Venetian star lantern of wonder ful bluish glass that cast a soft glow ove the hall when lighted.

The guest room above all others shoulc present an appearance of freshness anc daintiness. There should also be some thing unusual and intriguing in it decoration, to induce the guest to com again. There are on the market now number of charming toile de Jouy papers copies of old designs that make unusuall attractive rooms. A bedroom can b made interesting and different with background of this type of paper, on with a pinkish red design on a crean background and antique cream wooc work. Into the molding a little re paint can be rubbed and then wiped of This will make a fresh looking room an with painted or walnut furniture wi please the most fastidious guest imagin able. In the bedroom shown on page 5 a Chinese toile paper was used, one wit a design in red on a deep cream ground The woodwork was painted a dull ol ivory and the floor painted deep blue an antiqued. Over this a rich Aubusson ru with a dark red ground, browned wit ge, made a pleasing background for th old pieces of French furniture
The door had a painted decoratio copied from the design in the paper an the bedspread was of red taffeta wit cordings and pleated ruffles of rich blu The draperies at the window were si in a deep cream color bound with re braid, and the valance was of the sam silk as the bedspread. Dark blue candl in old silver sconces gave a soft ligh pleasing in a room of this sort.

A cool and charming young girl's roo is shown on page 57. Here the de recessed window was hung with soft bl rauze curtains made with picoted al scalloped ruffles. The walls here we papered in a flowered chintz paper with cream background and the woodwo painted soft blue like the draperie Three sets of shirred scallops, one ov the other, made the valance that w about sixteen inches deep due to the hi ceiling. Tie backs of white crystal he the side draperies in place and in \(t\) recesses of the window were hung a fe small colored fashion prints. The chair the window was covered in a blue a orchid satin damask that repeated \(t\) colors of the lamp shades. The rug was soft taupe color.
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\section*{ON HOUSE \& GARDEN'S BOOK SHELF}

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variety to be classed with Frau Karl Druschki.
The part of the book devoted to Rock Gardens, though brief, is admirable in its statement of principles. The presentation of this subject would have been bettered, however, by devoting to it, in order more clearly to exhibit construction, several pictures of the nice clear style that distinguishes the 28 found in the volume.
There are few omissions of importance, like that of Daphne cneorum among the evergreen shrubs. A more grievous fault lies in failing to mention, in dealing with Rhododendrons, the requirement of acidity in the soil. Native plants in general might have received a little more attention and more commendation. Some practical aspects of gardening could at
least have been glanced at,-notably Irrigation.

The mechanical workmanship is of high order. A commendable feature of the Index consists in placing first the number of the page that contains the main treatment of each of the respective topics.
F. B. M.

WEather Proverbs and Para poxes. By W. J. Humphreys, Ph.D. Williams and Wilkins Company, Baltimore.

Modern man, particularly the dweller in a city, who gets his weather report from the daily press, when he has concern about what the morrow in that line may bring forth, can not read far in this rather peculiar and entertaining little book without feeling with Wordsworth that
Little we see in Nature that is ours;
We have given our hearts away, a sordid boo
This sea that bares her bosom to the moon
The winds that will be howling at all hours, And are upgathered now like sleeping flowers; For this, for everyth
It moves us not.

But it is not a putting together fancies or of fanciful explanations that we find here; it is not a mere collection of folk lore, but a studied attempt made by the Meteorological Physicist of the United States Weather Bureau to set forth scientifically whatever facts lie at the basis of old and persisting proverbs relating to the weather. For example, part of the explanation of "Sky red at night Is the sailor's delight" is that "a red evening sky means that the temperature has not fallen below the dew point even at the tops of the strongly-cooled rising currents of air that are so common during the heated portion of the afternoon, and hence that the air contains so little moisture that rain, within the coming twenty-four hours, is improbable." Meteorological paradoxes occupy the second portion of the volume with elaborate reasoning that the reader not well instructed in physics has difficulty in following at certain points.

As a specimen of book-making art the volume pretty thoroughly justifies the publishers' motto, Sans Tacke,-Without Blemish. Toward attaining such excellency the stimulus to the various craftsmen employed by the firm is the honor of being given credit, at the back of the book, over their own names, for the parts they individually have had in it. Thus, even with modern machine production, the workman has a good deal of the old creative distinctiveness that used to be an incentive to the artist or craftsman who made the object embodying his ideals entirely with his own hands.
F. B. M.

MANUAL of Cultivated Plants, by L. H. Bailey. Published by The Macmillan Company, New York.
pactness, an exact analysis and decription of practically all plants grown for food, ornament and general interest both in gardens and greenhouses, put forth as a gathering up of the studies of forty years can not be treated with a merely passing notice, particularly when it comes from a man who has made the attainments of the author of this manual. In addition to supplying for "cultivated plants what the usual botanical manuals supply for the native plants-a means for finding out what the plants are, what " are the proper names and characters," it has practical value, in a number of ways, even for the person who makes no use of the methods and terminology of botanical science. It gives complete, for all species and most forms and varieties of the species of almost all domesticated plants the always helpful information that growers' and salesmen's catalogues offer in a fragmentary way, for the knowldge of a plant's native habitat yields suggestions about its cultivation and care: information as to habit, kind of growth, ultimate size to be expected, character of bark, foliage and flowers is obviously very helpful in the management of plants for any purpose. The exact classification of the Schwelder Maple, for example, under the head of platanoides or Norway Maple tells much that by the inerperienced can not be gathered from the average catalogue or even book on gardening or landscape architecture. In the treatment of species made to vary greatly by hybridization instruction is given by placing the resultant cultivars under the appropriate heads or into groups. Thus in uninformed person can readily learn how the various new varieties of the Philadelphus, for example, differ from one another. For the student of botany the book opens a grand field that has hitherto been almost entirely closed to him by the simple fact that all other literature of his pursuit has not kept up with the almost miraculous development of garden forms.
The Index has been made carefully and enables one easily to find the treatment of each at all reasonably worthy representative of the 3.665 species that form the body of the work; only the insatiable collector or omnivorous reader of catalogues will occasionally feel the want of a topic like Symplocos crataegoides; but many other new and rare things like Viburnum rhytidophyllum are reliably characterized for the plantman who might without this volume search long. In the discussions interest is im parted by the scholarly interpretation o the names. The systematic explanation of botanical terms, a list of authoritie for the binomial terms and a chapte devoted to the formation of an herbari um are valuable portions of the prefatory division. A careful reading of these and o the bulk of this wonderful book ha revealed no errors or misprints. F. B. M

SIR Christopher Wken: Scientist Scholar and Architect, by Law rence Weaver. Published by Charle Scribner's Sons.

The author, here, has almost reviewe his book for us in tabloid form in its sub title. Certainly he has given us an excel lently readable and entertaining pictur of the great architect whose centenary s recently recalled him to general attention Mr. Weaver has generously sacrifice his personal opinion of Wren to an hones effort to give vivid glimpses and cor temporary pictures of the man himsel revealing him as a man of intensel inquiring and experimentative mind, humanist like the architect-inventors Renaissance Italy, in short, as proclaime in the sub-title-a scientist, scholar an
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\section*{ON HOUSE \& GARDEN'S BOOK SHELF}

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The entire career of Sir Christopher Wren is broadly, but by no means carelessly, sketched in this small volume and the author has made room for plentifu quotations from contemporary sources, and for a full account of the designing and building of St. Pauls.
In commenting upon the proposed demolition of some of Wren's London churches, Mr. Weaver has withdrawn himself from the general hysteria on this subject, and points out that these churches are of uneven merit, and that some of them could be spared without irreparable loss. A thoughtful student of the architecture of Sir Christopher Wren, Mr. Weaver is able to point out which of the smaller churches deserves preservation, and which are of less architectural significance.

Among the quotations from the language of Sir Christopher himself are to be found such quaint and illuminating bits as the following:

Although Architecture contains many excellent Parts, besides the ranging of Pillars, yet Curiosity may lead us to consider whence this Affectation arose originally, so as to judge nothing beautiful but what was adorned with Columns, even where there was no real use for them.- It will be to the purpose, therefore, to examine whence proceeded this affectation of a Mode which hath continued now at least 3,000 years, and the rather, because it may lead us to the Grounds of Architecture, and by what steps this Humour of Colonnades came into Practice in old Ages"

A humanist, a scholar, but by no means a pedant, Sir Christopher is revealed in Mr. Weaver's book as an eager, industrious and phenomenally patient and modest gentleman who left his world the more beautiful for his work, and his friends and acquaintances the more enriched by contact with him.
M. P.

SMalL Houses, by Gilbert Murtagh

In the adventure of building a house it seems the prospective builder stands continuously in need of advice, admonition and encouragement, else there would be no such perennial need as seems to exist for the successive books on this subject. These books, indeed, seem to be in the nature of hardy perennials. Even a prolonged hard frost of high building costs does not seem to discourage the vigorous roots.

We cannot discover anything new in this new book on small houses, nor can we find anything that is not constructively helpful. While the author's advice is rather categorical and hurried, the book possesses the inherent merit that attaches to any consecutive presentation of fairly complete information gathered into one receptacle. Certainly "Small Houses" does compare with H. Vanderwoort Walsh's "Construction of the Small House" which appeared last year, though the scope of the two books purports to be about the same. Mr. Murtagh has put a good deal of earnest work into his illustrations and his advice on planning seems as though it should constructively help the average prospective builder.
The book embraces some good plain advice about grounds, and boldly invades the field of interior decoration. We have always felt that writers of general treatises for general readers do their readers no great service by presenting outline diagram charts showing "intensities" and "primaries, binaries and hues and half neutralized colors." These charts, given in plain black and white, usually make people unhappy, and tend to make a mysterious cult of color. Lacking the key to the mystery, people are likely to feel that whatever the color scheme they have, or plan to have, it is probably wrong, and that lost in a maze of "bin-
aries" and the like, they may never attain a correct and proper color scheme.
A color scheme which is pleasant to live with is all that is necessary, whether it is correct or not,-and the same thought holds true of much pertaining to the design and furnishing of a house, be it large or small.
M. P.

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\(\mathrm{F}^{\text {IELD Book of Common Rocks and }}\) Minerals. By Frederick Brewster Loomis. G. P. Putnam's Sons.

Amid the rapidly increasing appreciation being given by Americans to outdoor activities, in which are found refreshment and recuperation by those to whom mere play and sport are not satisfying, there is naturally more attention being paid to the rocks and the minerals that help to constitute them and to give them their forms and their colors which make them fitting subjects for study in association with the plant life as found in nature and as employed in reproducing naturalistic surroundings around dwellings that otherwise would appear bald or too artificial. The colors alone make interesting study. We Americans are not yet awake, in our gardening, in ornamenting our buildings and in art in general as are the inhabitants of the Old World to the enjoyment that colors are capable of affording. The marble statues of the Parthenon were brightly painted. Among the stones one finds the riches colors. Was it not Ruskin who taught that gems show colors that are the purest and the most intense?
This handbook supplies a need that has long been felt by those amateurs who love to dig and pick in mountain and quarry. Amateurs, amateurs, that is, who are only novices can not advisedly be referred to Dana or Brush or Penfield, for experience has taught that novices would soon be lost in the quicksands of scientific language. Here is presented a neatly printed handbook of pocket size and of only 285 pages, each of which induces the reader to explore a little further for a beautifully printed plate or interesting text.
Perhaps the title had better been "Fieid Book of Minerals and Common Rocks", for that is the order of subject matter in the text. The preface, introductory chapter and Chapter II on Forms and Properties of Minerals should be read carefully. There is just enough crustallography in this second chapter to be helpful to the mineral enthusiast. The Key to Minerals in Chapter III is a valuable part of the volume; but, like all other keys, such as those for plants and insects, it requires some study, coupled with an ever widening experience, to acquire a keen appreciation of the terms "streak" and "hardness" and a perfect color sense.
The arrangement of minerals first and rocks second is commendable, as is also the departure from the mineralogical scheme of elements, sulphides, carbonates etc. to that of the metallic and non-metallic elementary groups. The use of formulas and scientific terms is not predominate and can be wholly ignored by those who wish to do so, without detracting in the least from the interest aroused in collecting "stones".

The printing is eminently clear and uniform and a delight to the eye. The ink, paper, sharpness of type and good register contribute toward making a well printed page. The binding, however, would not last well with the usual usage given to such handbooks in the field. Soft leather and flexible back are pronouncedly better, but of course more expensive. The price of \(\$ 3.50\) placed upon the book is quite fair. Typographical errors are scarce, the omission of a \(o\) in "Limoniteon" on page \({ }_{51}\) being the only one noticed casually.

The drawings and photographs are generally satisfactory and useful. The author is to be congratulated upon being
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\section*{ON HOUSE \& GARDEN'S BOOK SHELF}

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so successful with his plates. But perhaps
the impressions imparted by the colorings in the cases of silver, copper, chalcocite, hematite and niccolite are somewhat misleading to the novice; whereas in the lack of color in sulphur, Plate 51 , there is a loss of opportunity to have the crystals stand out sharply from the matrix.
There is a fund of information associated usually with each mineral description; but with it all why were not the extensive uses of galena and pyrites as detectors in "wireless" mentioned? There are many users of these minerals who have no conception of what they are. It is a question whether ethylene should be mentioned as a constituent of natural gas since its presence is listed at such low percentage as to be negligible and even disputable. The reference to the presence of members of the "benzine" series in petroleum on page 227 should be to that of the "benzene" series.
Withal the author is to be congratulated upon the production of such an interesting and useful and much needed handbook. It is sufficiently complete and comprehensive for all ordinary use. J. Howard Graham.
F. B. M.

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ARDENS in the Making. By Walter H. Godfrey. B. T. Batsford.

Here is a nice volume that should be taken as an antidote to the teaching of William Robinson. He, like other great luminaries of thought almost without exception, went out upon a tangent. Led by his brilliancy the designers of gardens and landscapes roamed far into the meadows and woods and along the banks of ponds and streams, with Nature. But the pendulum had to swing back, to use another incongruous figure, and it began to be perceived that while the true way was not to be found in the extravagant formalism of the past; there had to be some return to it. It began to be realized that in design the wild could be brought into too intimate contact with the building, just as in the excess of formalism the plan of the building was carried too far out into the wild. Mr. Godfrey was not afraid to assert that "architectural principles and garden design must go together", and that the architect, if he be a master of his art, should not be forbidden to harmonize the immediate surroundings of the building with the form of the fabric itself. The outdoor part of the home can not safely be left to a man who is only a gardener, even though he be a good gardener, for "gardening is a craft, and, if you will, a science; garden design is an art, and requires different knowledge, and faculties of quite another order".
So this is a good and a wise little book, written with the staid country homes of gentlemen and manor seats of the "tight little island" of England in view, before the war, even; the preface was dated just a few weeks before the beginning of that holocaust. But the principles are sound and the publishers seem to have had their fingers upon the pulse of the times in bringing it forth afresh.
It confines itself, with unusual steadfastness, to its purpose, and sets forth, in very good English, enforced by tolerably good drawings in black and white, some of which are birdseye views, the three principles that should control design: ( I ) Simplicity of treatment and harmony with existing conditions; (2) the avoidance of all inordinate display and the cultivation of privacy, with that ample protection and shelter which make for the maximum of usefulness and beauty in the garden domain,-repose; and rational and purposeful plan of the house and (3) the garden together. So it says much about landscape architecture and almost nothing about landscape gardening; much about stone and brick
and timber and almost nothing about rass and trees and flowering plants. For laying out and planting parks and private grounds of any extent, or for planting or tending a garden it consequently yields but little help; but along that line in which the builders of homes, even professional architects and landscape architects among us Americans come woefully short, the unifying of the outdoors with the indoors it is exceedingly helpful.
F. B. M.

\(\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{k}}^{\mathrm{p}}\)DVENTURES in My Garden and Rock Garden. By Louise Beebe Wilder. Doubleday, Page and Company.

It was to be expected that something good would be produced when so proific and so successful a writer of garden books as Louise Beebe Wilder set about telling of her large new garden. To this new garden she has brought not only her quite extraordinary talent for making garden pictures but also the choicest of the growing things she learned most to love in the former gardens. And, realizing the opportunity, growers of plants fine and rare all over the country, glad to have her friendship, have contributed from their treasures so that the new garden, which has had but two summers, already is literally "furnished from the ends of the earth."

First, among her Thoughts on Winter Green, clear and crisp as are the snow crystals themselves, there is focussing upon the opinion that "the mixed bonbon style of planting evergreens is one of the worst manifestations of our present day gardening" and that "upon the lawn of a ittle place one well grown Hemlock tree and one Dogwood or gay Japanese Crabapple would give infinitely more pleasure than a dozen expensive midgets each striving to make its personality felt above that of its neighbors". But there are not just thoughts and opinions: we sally forth actually to meet the spring and the leadership we have makes the adventure right enjoyable.

The bold harbingers of the new year are introduced each with words that characterize it most happily. This consistency in the use of the fitting adjective or descriptive phrase imparts to the book a unique charm. Human characteristics are bestowed upon various inhabitants of the garden with the same delicious naivete that gives the imagery of the ancient Greeks its immortal savoriness. This feature of style is most in evidence in the chapter that, with sarcasm playful and yet biting, entitled The Meek that Inherit the Earth, treats of plants recommended in the catalogues as "useful for covering rough banks and for the rock garden". One is referred to as "a graceless outlaw, lovely and conscienceless, that will take what is its neighbor's without hesitation". The reader's memory goes back to the wily infant Hermes who stole away the Sun God's cattle and provoked, by sly winks, as he made denial, the laughter of the Olympians. The Dead Nettle introduced as "very attractive, but equipped with seven league boots, a practiced runner". And who that has once made acquaintance with Gregory's Spruce can henceforth fail to associate with it the words "a fat dumpy atom of a spruce, bristling with needles that point in all directions"?
It is delightful to walk with the author among "Violets of Hill and Dale", to listen to "A Lady of Little Bulbs", to follow her skilled lead in "Collecting Crane'sbills", to have one's eyes opened wider to Poppy Magic" and to be shown how he who will may profit "By Benefit of Seeds". But, like the author, we shall do better to confine ourselves more to two matters that give this book at once a foremost place in the garden literature of America. (Continued on page 154)


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The Primrose has needed in this country a scholarly and practical work corresponding to that done for it in Great Britain ing to that done \(\begin{aligned} & \text { by John MacWatt. To this subject is }\end{aligned}\) by John MacWatt. To this subject is
devoted exactly one-seventh of the book, devoted exactly one-seventh of the book, compass even the person most capable of ardently devoting himself to this flower of poetic sentiment can find satisfaction. Some of the loveliest pictures in the book, -and there are nearly a score and a half, all excellent,-show how great a place the Primrose might have along stony paths and in that now so popular form of gardens, the rock garden.
And this is the second prominent topic. In the chaptertures bold and yet always justified by the issues. A valuable chapter on Soils contains lists of plants requiring various kinds of soil and this is followed by a detailed setting forth of other particular requirements. But the chapter after that constitutes one of the most needed essays in modern horticultural
literature, with the title "Shrubs for the Rock Garden". With it accessible there should no longer exist the common fault of tameness of plant life in the midst of natural ruggedness, for an evergreen or deciduous shrub can be selected for perfect adaptation to almost any kind of site in the midst of dwarfed "alpines". Nor, if there should be sudden failure with any of the perennials need any parch of the rock garden pass the summer and the autumn in bare nakedness, for twenty-
one annuals are described for that emergency.
For good measure there are put into a few less than a hundred pages of rather fine print illuminative and instructive original observations on the growing of rock plants and, on top of that, condensed lists of plants for special purposes in the rock garden and for pleasing combinations. A concluding feature, worthy of being imitated by other books dealing with special subjects, consists of the names and addresses of nurseries and collectors of native American plants that are appropriate for wild places and the rock garden.
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ULTIVATED Evergreens. Edited Company, New York.

A quartet of reasons makes this a very notable work. First, Evergreens constitute, because of their variety of forms, size and general character as well as their perennial elegance, the largest and most important element in landscape design on all scales; Second, With all their importance they are now relatively of high price and hard to obtain, in the United States of America, because of Federal quarantine which shuts out the enormous quantities of "growing-on" stock that used to be imported from Holland and other parts of Europe and because they are of slow growth; Third, The propagation of many varieties is difficult and too little understood by Americans, who furthermore have lacked the patience and the trained nursery helpers so requisite; Fourth, The authors of the book are experts, each in his own portion of the field, chosen by the one man whose acquaintance with all details of the subject is quite extraordinary, whom any student of anything relating to plants would be glad to serve, and who is gifted with a genius for graceful literary expression.

All departments and all phases of the complex subject, which has a range from ground-creeping plants like the Japanese Spurge up to the Redwood, one specimen of which lifts its head 340 feet into the air, are handled in ways scholarly, refined and thoroughly practical, with the exception of the propagation of the broadleaved evergreens, somehow strangely omitted. In faultless arrangement and
covering, with print fine but of high degree of legibility, 204 pages of this magnificent and large volume is found to be the most painstaking botanical treatment the subject ever has received. The credit for it belongs to Alfred Rehder of the Arnold Arboretum. In this department of the work the names obey the International Rules of Botanical Nomenclature, as is well, for thus can there be better correlation with other existing books and essays of the character; but in cases in which the name advocated by the American Joint Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature and printed in their book "Standardized Plant Names" differs, that name is given as an alternative. The common names are all those that have received this committee's approval.

If the other joint authors had used the names so carefully it would have been better, particularly because they have concerned themselves with aspects of the treatment that are of more general interest and that appeal more to persons who do not themselves, as a rule, make exact study of terminology. Their labors are highly commendatory in other respects, however. In poetic and imaginative scope, with diction and eloquence of expression that harmonize with those of the general editor, they first present, not without some of the dramatic fervor of Longfellow, Bryant and Whittier writing of the same trees, the Coniferous Evergreens in the Landscape. But as men practically engaged in the handling of these great gifts of Nature, R. S. Hosmer of Cornell University, and O. C. Simonds and S. F. Hamblin skilled in landscape design and in the art of instruction, they bring the trees out of the woods and home to us as it were, or at least more inimately into our somewhat man-made surroundings and give us greater appreciation of their worth as parts of our environment when they are placed with true artistry. All matters, big and little, relative to making the trees feel at home in such surroundings are discussed by that man who might almost be regarded as a wizard in the general care and handling of plants of the garden, John Dunbar, of Rochester's Highland Park, and that other man whose skill seems to be almost as magical in moving large trees and making them grow, Henry Hicks, whose practical wisdom is supplemented by others skilled as but few men in the country are in that most difficult branch of nursery propagation, the branch made additionally difficult by the fact that so many of the subjects are exotic and not yet understood.

The Adaptation of Conifers naturally follows as the third main topic. The choice of authors for this also has been a happy one, not only in that Dunbar, Brett, Macoun, Bollinger and Braunton are well versed and of long experience but also in that they have had their experience in various parts of the country and amidst conditions made divers by factors other than those of latitude merely. The most striking among their new contributions to our knowledge is made by their careful noting of the trees' behavior in later life; the books and the treatises of other forms that have appeared in the fifty-five years that have elapsed since the Book of Evergreens by Josiah Hoopes have been few, small and fragmentary. In the case of no other plants is this phase of the subject so pregnant, for, as the gifted Author observes in the Preface, Evergreens "have a strong juvenile habit and quality and they age gradually into a picturesque maturity, each one with outstanding individuality". Concerning garden treasures so costly, then, of not money so much as of time, it is valuable forecasts that are found here. There is prudent teaching also about selecting sources of any one species: the Cedar of (Contimued on page 150)


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\section*{(Continued from page 154)}

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Like all treasured possessions, change able and not subject to change with time, however, these prizes at all stages need safeguarding. Largely because of their being immigrants many become the prey of insects and are exposed to diseases and injuries, while even the natives lamentably are prone to succumb in these days when Nature has to a great extent been put out of joint by man's insatiable longing for a widening and deepening and elevating of interests. So this very comprehensive work must have its hospital department. It could be in no safer hands than those of Doctors Crosby, Palmer and Dickson, to whom the national government and state governments have issued certificates permitting them to practice. They willingly instruct us in diagnosis and go even further than to show us how to give first aid. Like all sensible men practicing medicine and kindred arts they hold us back when we in our anxiety would go too far and persuade us not to dose immoderately and not to "operate" more than it is necessary to help Nature to do her loved work of healing and restoring and imparting new life.
Some of Nature's secrets but lately discovered by that devoted searcher among the family of plants that has been so reluctant to "make un" with man, the ericaceous, shares with us discoveries that when finished will undoubtedly result in complete solution.
The concluding contribution, made by R. W. Curtis of Cornell University, is a kind of summary of the instructions of this very instructive book. As a result of unsparing exertions in research he furnishes, in a Check-list of Woody Evergreens, items of information to guide in the selection and the care of these plants from Maine to California and from Canada to Florida.
The handsomeness of this beautiful volume is enhanced by forty-eight half-tone plates, almost without exception clear in minutest details, illustrating for the most part the more deserving of the less familiar subjects; pictures of several more could be wished for. Most of the less known species and varieties have their identification helped by skilfully made drawings that serve the purpose better than would photographic reproductions which are sometimes actually encumbered by representation of details of what is merely seen upon the surface, as a good portrait painter can excel the camera which works with mechanical precision but is lacking in intelligence to interpret.

THe American Rose Annual for 1924. The American Rose Society, Harrisburg, Pa.
"Biggest and best!" It is a pleasure to be able to say that of the 1924 volume of The American Rose Annual, for of all the horticultural books that come to a reviewer's desk each year none is more eagerly awaited than this compendium of the best in Rose experience, advice and progress. Those who love the Queen of Flowers never fail to find it of absorbing interest from cover to cover

It is one of the valuable privileges of membership in a society that has gone far and will go much farther in its avowed purpose "to increase the general interest in the cultivation and improve the standard of excellence of the Rose for all people."

Eminently fitting is it that this ninth successive volume of the Annual should be the best, for its publication marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Society's founding. From a most modest beginning in 1899 the membership has increased to nearly 4,000 in 1924-a gratifying growth not the least of whose accomplishments is the production of the present volume. It is difficult to single out for particular mention any special features of this 200-page symposium with its profuse plate illustrations in color, halftone and line, for so many crowd forward that wise selection becomes a task. But at the risk of slighting other features equally important, the following may be set down as suggestive of the scope and all-around value of the book:
The Story of the Mary Wallace Rose, the epoch-making new variety introduced by co-operation between the Department of Agriculture and the American Rose Society, is told in color picture and in interesting detail. Another Rose in the same series to be introduced in 1925 is announced as "Heart of Gold."
Two New Municipal Rose Gardens are described and pictured, and Rose successes all over the United States as well as in Italy, Germany, China and Japan are entertainingly described.

The Rose as a Cut Flower is treated by two national authorities in such fashion as to provide complete information as to modern tendencies. The Rose for every back-yard is again presented in "The Favored Roses of All America," detailing the favorite dozen bush Roses and the favorite dozen climbing sorts, collectively and in seven climatic zones

The Member's Rose Forum present inquiries from seventy-six amateurs all over America, with replies. Rose Notes in a new form, adds fifty separate paragraphs, separated into six sections for convenience, and carrying on the intimate personal relation of Rose growing in a fashion wholly unusual.
The New Roses of All the World in cludes accurate advance descriptions of 138 varieties produced in Great Britain, France, Holland, Germany, the United States, Canada and Australia. Another advance note is found in five articles describing new strains originated in Australia and adapted, it is believed, to sections of the United States now needing that adaptation.

Seven articles of authoritative character bear on the production of new Roses in America for America and by Americans Some original advance statements are included in five articles on winter protec tion and manuring.
Nor has the literary side of the Rose been neglected. There is a delightful essay by the President based on Oppenheim's "Bread and Roses," and an appealing bit of blank verse in Mr. Morgan's "What My Garden Means to Me." A curiously interesting relation of London Punch with the first Rose show (1858) is brought out in Mr. Baker's article on Dean Hole and the First Rose Show.

A sketchy and inadequate hint, this, of a volume whose pages include 104 articles and in the making of which 167 persons have participated. Mr. J. Horace McFarland, the editor, is to be congrat ulated on the skill with which he has assembled these items of Rose lore into a book of fascinating interest and permanent value.

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\section*{FLOWERS EVERLASTING}

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desired. The flower heads are terminal, developed. The color ranges, according to golden yellow in color with white sepals. the variety, from golden yellow, white, In a moderately moist soil together with bronze yellow, or copper red; (var. borusa protective winter covering this species sorum), or more or less dark red (var. can be kept for a second year. The seeds atrosanguineum). H. macranthum is the are sown in the open during the month large flowering everlasting form. It atof April.

Acroclinium roseum is another Aus- bushy in habit.
tralian form having rose colored flowers All of these are especially adapted for with a yellow center. The flowers are group planting if the soil is loose, well comparatively large. Seeds sown in the fertilized, and thoroughly worked as hotbed in March or April and trans- well as situated in a sunny place. When planted in May produce flowers in June cultivating them in the hotbed, flowers or July. Sown in the open in April the are formed as early as June or July; if flowers make their appearance a little sown in the open they make their aplater in the season.
Spherical flowers are produced by plants continue to bloom far into the fall, Gomphrena globosa, a native of East and the flowers are beautiful in bouquets. India. These flowers are especially well. Far more sensitive than Helichrysum liked, because the red varieties do not is Rhodante manglesii, an inhabitant of lose their color when dried. Red and Australia. This flower is far more white speckled forms are also known as beautiful than Acroclinium also a nawell as white and flesh colored varieties. tive of Australia. In color trey with a
This plant requires a richer type of soil. from dark red to rose colored with This plant requires a richer type of soil. from dark red to rose colored with a
Ground waters injure it. For well de- dark center (maculata) and white. Only veloped forms quite a little space is under the glare of full sunlight do these necessary. They are cultivated like the flowers thrive if placed in a sandy, dry preceding forms but they do require a soil which must not lack a supply of warm, well protected situation,

The most popular everlasting flower is in a protected situation. The seeds are Helichrysumbracteatum withallits varieties either sown in the hotbed or in seedas well as \(H\). macranthum, natives of Africa. boxes. At the end of May all young Of the former, dwarfed forms have been seedlings are transplanted out-of-doors,


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However, that sort of planning make interesting staircases-the kinds whic have to curve and return and whicl therefore achieve gracefulness and ap propriateness through ingenuity.

The ones shown on this page illustrat three distinct types. Above we hav one of the most effective means o ascent obtainable in a small space: the curving stairway, a style susceptible t any amount of sinuous charm. The tw early American examples below represen the formal methods. One, being of th South, is broad and leisurely; the other from New England, rises quickly anc with directness. Both, by the way, ar noteworthy for their ornamental strin pieces.



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THE Sixth National Flower Show at plans a secret until the moment of conCleveland this year was the finest struction. (Prizes are awarded to those flower show ever held in America. Even garden exhibits which are judged the when finer shows are held, from now on, best.) That reason, secrecy, is a perfectly this one will be still the most important. sound one, but until this year at CleveIt will always mark the turning point. land it has been one of the factor Any big flower show after this spring working against the artistic success o which neglects the lesson of the show at flower shows as a whole

The lesson was Cooperative Design. was Heretofore there has been plenty of show in the hands of a competent landdecent design, but it has been confined scape architect. A. D. Taylor was chosen to individual exhibits. Good gardens for this trying task. A plan for the floo and bad gardens have stood side by side, space of the huge Public Auditorium which made the good gardens seem better, was made which gave the layout of th of course, but made the bad gardens seem areas that could be devoted to exhibit worse. The joint effect was scarcely fine. and the lines which would have to be kept Also, when the good gardens have open for aisles. The exhibition areas wer adjoined each other on a floor the effect divided into sections of proper sizes and of the whole has rarely been good be- shapes, and the sections were then chose cause there has been no sense of harmony by, or allotted to, the various exhibitors in the grouping.
The reason for this hit-or-miss method
It was the privilege of each exhibitor lay with the desire for keeping one's
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The façade of a small Dutch colonial house gave the architectural flavor to this dooryard garden, the exhibit of Daisy Hill Farm. whose planting and arrangement were handled with extraordinary fidelity to an actual scheme

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have it designed for him by the land- conies on the same floor level, and on the scape architect. If it were done in the floor level below were shown garden former way it was necessary to have the accessories and equipment, and the design passed upon by the landscape Garden Club of America garden models architect. Thus it was possible for each which graced the New York Show a few garden exhibit to retain its individuality weeks earlier.
yet become an integral part of one great An interesting fact of the garden exharmonious scheme. The purely floral hibits in the Cleveland show was the exhibits, and the equipment exhibits, attention many of the exhibitors gave to were, or might have been, handled in informal design. There were probably as the same way. many gardens of this type as of the
The Public Auditorium, with its im- formal, which is rather unusual, conmense unbroken floor space offered an sidering the natural tendency to do a ideal exhibition site. From the general formal design in a small space amid such view on page 166 it will be seen how well four-square surroundings. These inthe show was planned to fit the hall. formal, naturalistic gardens were done, in The line of exhibits against the balconies almost every instance, with great skill; on either side were of necessity quite nature was not imitated but simply used narrow-hardly more than 17 feet deep- to good advantage. One of the best having been made so in order that the garden exhibits in the show, that of the main lengthwise aisles might run directly Wayside Gardens, of Mentor, Ohio, was from the entrance doorways. This of this character. 千It occupied a long, narnarrowness, however, was scarcely notice- row space, and was separated from the able, so cleverly was it concealed by care- aisle by a low dry masonry retaining ful planning.
wall of the local ledge-stone. The same
Ine large central sections the con- stone was used to create a higher and rolling hand of the landscape architect more rugged wall in the background, in was able to limit the height of the tree the center of which was made an arched and shrub masses, thus keeping this part grotto that covered a pool. The plantof the pattern comparatively low in its ing was kept splendidly in character. general effect. The sides and back of the The John Scheeper's garden, which large stage at the end of the hall were a won the first prize at the New York Show, gorgeous yellow mass of Acacias from the was given the same award at Cleveland. Thomas Roland collection. There was It was one of a half-dozen formally a line of smaller exhibits under the bal- (Continued on page 172)


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The exhibit of the Wayside Gardens, of Mentor, Ohio, won the A. S. L. A.'s Second Prize and was one of the most interesting and beautiful gardens in the show

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planned garden exhibits which would be the exhibits of 1,000 square feet laid out considered splendid examples of garden as gardens was divided among Knoble design indoors or out, real or make Bros., Cleveland; John Scheepers, Inc., believe.

A noteworthy detail in the planting schemes of the various individual garden exhibits was the fact that in almost every instance plants were shown in bloom worthy of the additional award of a simultaneously. Practically every flower had been forced of course, yet there "The gold were noticed were noticed but few combinations which \(\$ 350\) were awarded for the garden of John wouldn't be found blossoming together Scheepers, Inc., the second prize of \$225 in an actual garden. Thus a great deal going to Knoble Bros. Co. This was of misleading information was avoided, judged by a committee composed of three and the innocent amateur was not tempted to put ideas into practice which would only mean disappointment.
Heretofore the special stress in flower shows has been laid upon showing flowers, and while this will always be the raison d'être of flower shows, it is not enough. Nor is it enough that purely exhibitional gardens should be put together which could never be reproduced in any way in practical reality. Unless the display is an altogether floral one it should be given an authentic setting. People who visit flower shows go because the sight of flowers gives them a thrill-one of the great many, and a rapidly growing proportion, go because they are interested in making gardens-one of the most elemental of human pursuits.

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"In the class calling for a display of rose plants arranged for effect as a rose border (Continued on page 174)


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covering 100 square feet, the first prize of \(\$ 150\) and a gold medal went to Daisy Hill Farm and the second prize of \$100 went to Carl Hagenburger."
And after all, while Horticulture is the real thing of flower shows, it is only just that its necessary complement, Garden Design, should be coming into its own.

\section*{ON HOUSE \& GARDEN'S BOOK SHELF}

\section*{(Continued from page 150 )}

Colour Schemes for the Flower CiGarden. By Gertrude Jekyll.
Country Life, London and Charles Scribner's Sons, New York.

That an author so experienced in the subject and so careful can put forth unrevised and unchanged this fifth edition, "necessitated by continuous demand," is proof enough of the book's worth She casually mentions her strain of Bunch Primroses developed by a system of seed selection carried on for more than thirty years. There is consolation for all gardeners who are dissatisfied with their efforts toward having a beautiful garden in the fact that it has taken Miss Jekyll "half a life time merely to find out what is best worth doing and a good slice out of another half to puzzle out the ways of doing it."

The object of the book is "to bring to bear upon the subject some consideration of common sense with sincerity of purpose, sense of beauty and artistic knowledge that can make plain ground and growing things into a year-long succession of living pictures." The devising of these pictures she thinks the "best thing to do in gardening". As to maintaining in a border a good color scheme she believes that the only way is to devote certain borders to certain times of the year, each border to be bright for one to three months. There can be a too extreme striving for color; a blue garden may be hungering for a group of white lilies, or for something of palest lemon-yellow, but it is not allowed to have it because it is called the Blue Garden; but the real business of the blue garden is to be beautiful first and then just as blue as may be consistent with its best possible beauty;-the juxtaposition of a rightly placed complementary color will make the blues more telling.

The nicest juxtaposition of complementary and harmonizing colors of flowers, along with appropriateness of form and habit of plants, is the book's keynote. Studies, most of them actually tried out, have been made for the various seasons and for borders of different types of flowering plants, including those of the woodland. The grouping of plants in pots is touched upon and the fruit garden planned for beauty likewise. Some of the combinations are of course not practical for climates different from that of the southern and central parts of England. The maintenance of some of the schemes requires close attention and would be costly, even on a smaller scale than that to which Miss Jekyll has been accustomed: she regards ten acres as but a small area for a bit of woodland and labels as a Plan for a Small Garden of China Asters one that calls for a space of fifty feet by
ninety. The pictures and plans have been made well and reproduced successfully; but it might seem that in view of the title more than the one of all the one hundred twenty-three ought to be in colors and that the price asked for the book would warrant that.
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Nature in American Literature. By Norman Foerster. The Macmillan Company.

This collection and elaboration of essays that had at least in large part circulated for possible criticism in a number of leading magazines makes a book of no small value to the student of literature and the student of nature. The author reveals himself upon every page as gifted with the faculty of keen criticism and appreciation of artistic powers, well schooled by the use of much that is best in the writings of ancient and modern poets and philosophers; he shows unusual iscernment in the various fields of nature study also, particularly in all that relates to birds. Upon page 277 he states: "In recent years an unceasing effort has been made by ornithologists to describe the songs of birds with something like scientific precision; so to describe the bird itself is easy, but the song is baffling. Since few birds sing in accordance with the intervals of the diatonic scale, and few sing without using notes quite indeterminate in pitch, since, in short, birds do not use an exact musical instrument like the piano, the form of description recently in favor-the musical staff-has led to a small amount of success and a great deal of distortion and absurdity Burroughs wisely resorted to a mor fruitful means, a combination of literal transcript and interpretive description, in the manner of Thoreau."

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CONSIDERING that he has been a companion and helper of mankind animal the dog America today is handicapped by an astonishing number of misapprehensions on the part of the general public. Even among those who own dogs there frequently exists only the most rudimentary knowledge of the simple principles of feeding and general care. As for the finer points-the vary ing characteristics of the different breeds, the ailments which should be guarded against, the methods of training which will make for the greater satisfaction of owner and dog alike-they are as a closed book to many well intentioned and intel ligent peoople. Even the superior merit of a well-bred dog over a mongrel, as a general family companion and friend, is too seldom appreciated
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Of a less practical but nevertheless important nature is the consideration of pride in ownership. Most of us like to possess a car or a hat or a house that we need not be ashamed of in any company Just so do we feel a keen satisfaction in owning a dog that will pass muster with other dog enthusiasts.
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