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## Gardening

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IF this is your first year as a gardener, you are probably impatient at the long winter months which keep you house-bound. But the experienced gardener knows that this is in many ways the most fruitful time of the year. Spring is all action. Summer and autumn are busy with harvests of fruits and flowers and vegetables. Winter is when you plan your garden, learn the skills that you will need in the months ahead. Despite the avalanche of new and improved plants presented to American gardeners each year, we are inclined to loiter in the beaten path. Despite the excellent tools and machinery devised to make gardening less of a chore, we are timid about enlarging our gardens. Despite the fact that no new material reaches us till it has been tested and re-tested, we ourselves are all-too-seldom ready for it. While the garden sleeps, the gardener should be wide awake. That is why January is the time we choose to devote almost an entire issue of this magazine to gardening. When the willows begin to bud you will have little time for reading. Now is when you order for the year ahead, working from a carefully considered blueprint. Only in this way can you be ready for the rush of activity which the sun releases as it thaws your garden to life in the spring of the year.

# Gardening 

## advances on five important fronts

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A $t$ the end of World War II there were four times as many gardeners $(4,500,000)$ in America as at the end of World War I. In 30 years, four times as many people have learned what it is to work on the land, enjoy the increase that springs from it.

W1thin the same span, awareness of the value of the land has grown beyond computation. Americans today begin to grasp the need to keep it in health and to halt the waste of its fertility which ignorance and greed have brought to a dangerous pass.

TLhough their numbers may be bewildering, the new varieties of flowers and vegetables offered each year are more than an effort to satisfy the American desire for something new. They are largely improvements on existing varieties. In many strains they are healthier, resist disease more readily, give more abundantly.

Aspate of garden books pours from our presses, summer and winter. It is hard to believe that any American can be ignorant of gardening. Garden Clubs which disseminate inspiration and information seem to spring up wherever gardeners meet.

We need bellwethers everywhere, home owners who are devoted to their plots of land and who spread enthusiasm for gardening and urge their neighbors on to pleasant competition. Over the picket fences and stone walls and hedges, their quiet gossip and note-comparing spread a gospel of contentment and better living.

Richardson Wright

Opposite: THE SPRING GARDEN IN ALL ITS LOVELINESS

If you want your own garden to advance, you must give time, energy (by nightfall, you will think you can never raise a shovel again) and hopefulness. The rewards are here, in this painting by Mary Faulconer.


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# A calendar of new perennials 

Month after month, they will add color to your garden

by R. W. CUMMING

THE word "new," applied to plants, is tricky to define technically. Sometimes novelties are permutations of old familiar favorites. Sometimes they aren't brand new, but have never before been generally available. The safest way for the gardener to arrive at a satisfactory definition of the word "new" is to ask himself whether he's ever grown a particular flower before. The varieties which I have singled out here are all recent and excellent. If you order and grow the ones which appeal to you, your garden will unfold fresh and pleasant experiences next summer. After all, experimenting is half the fun of gardening.

TTo run more or less chronologically through the season, let us begin with early April. The brilliant lungwort, Pulmonaria Salmon Glory, is low and well covered with good salmon-red blooms. Very showy, it prefers some shade if it is to retain its large leaves all year. In April also, the six-inch spikes of Erica vivelli are covered with bright carmine flowers, and no shade or protection seems necessary. Not exactly a perennial, it is a fully hardy heath plant, a low, mat-forming evergreen. Viola Yellow Vixen starts its parade of pretty one-and-a-half-inch primrose-yellow blooms soon, and continues all season. It seems to have a rugged constitution. Another rugged new viola, Gerald Wallace, is a lovely two-toned blue.

ANEW candytuft, Iberis casus Purity, is notable for its

creamy lavender with golden stamens. also mats, but slowly, and is always attractive. A very tough, desirable plant for the rock garden is Polemonium Blue Pearl, a long-blooming Jacob's-ladder with large blue flowers over fine, fern-like foliage. It may spread to two feet but can be safely divided either in August or very early spring. Anthemis Golden Dawn is a fully double marguerite, like a pompon marigold. Hardy and tolerant of dryness, its 18 -inch stems allow cutting through a long season. The parade of pinks is always delightful and Dianthus Salmon Unique, a good double, 15 inches tall, helps to make it so. Dubonnet brings a wine-red shade distinctly new to hardy carnations. Shorter and more semi-double in form is Wallace Red, dark red over crisp green foliage. These fragrant plants are at their best in June and July, September and October, but scatter bloom in August as well. Among the loveliest of our flowers is the painted daisy, Pyrethrum. Since named varieties (Cont'd on page 91)

## Opposite:

## A POTPOURRI OF FLOWERS

The perennials on this page, some of them established favorites, some newcomers, bloom through the summer. No one
of them is beyond the amateur's skill.

## GOOD GARDENING

IS GOOD LIVING continued

## Flowering

 crab apples
## add beauty



## to spring gardens

by GERTRUDE M. SMITH

SHowers of rosy petals on the grass, honey bees and birds are all part of the pleasure of growing crab apple trees. The small-fruited apples are commonly known as crab apples, and those grown for ornament are sometimes called flowering apples, indicating that they are grown to be looked at rather than for food. Sifting the names of hundreds, we find a dozen or two of greatest worth for planting in North America wherever common eating apples are grown, and even further north, well into the colder regions of Canada beyond the eating apple range. They give great beauty of bloom and many give beauty of fruit. With maturity, they often acquire, on a smaller scale, the picturesque twisted limbs and billowy outlines that we look upon so fondly in their larger relatives.

Most of the ornamental crab apples range from about 15 to 20 feet in height; a few are smaller, a few larger. They are at their best in plenty of sum. In shaded situations, they tend to grow tall and straggly, and the bloom decreases in proportion to the amount of shade that they receive.

It is convenient to consider the crab apples in two groups: the early-flowering Asiatic kinds, and the laterflowering American kinds. First to bloom is a group derived from Malus pumila niedzwetzkyana. All in this
group inherit from this parent a purplish tinge to flowers, foliage, the fruit and its flesh. The red or purple in the foliage is most pronounced in spring. In general, these trees have showy red fruit.

The purple crab apple, $M$. purpurea, with soft pur-plish-red flowers, blooms early, followed quickly by the Eley crab apple, with flowers and foliage a little darker. Reddest is Lemoine, most brilliant of the flowering apples. Among newer varieties, Hopa is very fine, similar to Eley, with good-sized red fruit. Another, Red Silver, has a silvery sheen to the underside of the leaves. Its flowers are red, and the foliage retains its red cast throughout the whole of the summer.

Most popular of the Asiatic varieties is the lovely Japanese flowering crab apple, M. floribunda. Its quantities of pink buds open to a more delicate pink, fading finally almost to white. In October, the birds devour the tiny yellow apples. It will grow 15 to 20 feet in time, and just as broad, or broader. (Cont'd on page 94)

Opposite: BECHTEL's CRAB APPLE

This variety, first found in the Mississippi Valley, bears double flowers, pale pink, sweetly scented and four inches across.


## Will your garden be formal or informal?

These are points which will influence your choice: (1) lay of the land, (2) architecture of your house, (3) amount of work required to maintain the garden in top order, (4) whether you are a formal or informal person and (5) degree to which tradition guides your taste.



Above and right:
INFORMAL? THEN YOUR GARDEN MAY LOOK LIKE THIS
This informal garden in Holland follows the popular American and English taste. It consists of an irregular panel of turf rimmed with a deep herbaceous border (see plan, right). The plants range from the lowest in front to the highest at the back and provide a succession of bloom through the seasons. Tall shrubs and trees, in the rear, give a green foil to the various colors.


Opposite and above:
FORMAL? THE PATTERN WILL BE PRECISE
A parterre (ornamental arrangement of flower beds) in the eight-eenth-century manner is among the gardens made to celebrate the founding of the first garden club in America at Athens, Georgia, in 1896. Individual designs represent the four state emblems.

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FACTORS TO GUDE YOU IN YOUR CHOICE OF A GARDEN garden reveals its owner. Are you a neat-and-tidy formalist or are you blithely informal?

Your taste, together with the contour of the land and the degree of your affection for the past, may influence

madel.aine thatcher
the kind of house you build and the type of garden surround-
ing it. Left, a formal eighteenth-century design of clipped
boxwood on a flat surface. Right, an informal garden in the
style of the late nineteenth century, marking a revolt against
the stiff "bedding out" of Victorian gardens. This plan furnishes
a better way to grow annuals and perennials together. Which
is more work? The former needs to be manicured
but beds filled with green ground covers reduce labor.
The informal garden demands constant attention to maintain a
succession of bloom and the lawn must be immaculately kept.
Informality should not mean slattern, hit-or-miss gardening.

## IS GOOD LIVING

continued

# Give your plants a good start 

Seeds fall into two general classes, softshelled and hard. They range from what looks like dust to fruit as big as your fist. In each is hidden capacity for growth. Each has its own vitality, its own strength to break its shell and put forth leaves and roots. Only the hard-shelled (sweet peas and such) need help to quicken their germination. Some you soak in water for a few days; others, which are laggards (such as delphinium), respond to being frozen and kept for a fortnight in the refrigerator.

The soil in which seeds are to germinate should have two qualities: (1) it should be porous-hence add sand to clay soil- (2) it should be sterile. Sterilize soil by baking, saturating with boiling water, or with a chemical which kills off the spores of disease. Or else use prepared mica which has been sterilized, thus avoiding what all gardeners dread, "damping off," where. for no apparent reason, a whole flatful of seedlings wilts and dies. Take a flat, lay along its bottom a glass wick, then fill with sterile soil or prepared mica, put the end of the wick in a mason jar and keep the jar filled with water. As the plants appear, dissolve


IN EARLY SPRING IT IS NECESSARY TO AIR THE PLANTS OCCASIONALLY


ELECTRICAL HOT BED
a little fertilizer into the water. After the plants have shown their first true leaves, they are ready to move into growing soil. This may be in a hot bed or a cold frame, according to season. In the course of this planting, observe the roots, for they indicate the nature and condition of the soil different plants will need. If roots are long and go straight down, the soil must be dug deep. If the roots are matted, the chances are they will want a damp soil.


The main aim is to keep plants growing. If they are set back by a sudden chill, or the air in the cold frame is not fresh, or they lack water, their advancement will be retarded. Hence we electrically-heat hot beds in order to con-
 trol the heat. This is also the reason for airing cold frames on sunny days and the use of a fine nozzle on the watering pot so that infant plants may be water-sprayed, not deluged and dislodged.
the essential watering can


## Opposite: KNOW YOUR PLANTS AND THEIR HABITS

Gardeners soon learn that plants are like individuals, placid and satisfied or cranky and demanding.
While the majority of seeds can be germinated in the same kind of soil or medium, when they assume their first true leaves and send down roots big enough to study, they also begin to display their idiosyncrasies. For that reason these two tables of 80 good perennials and annuals mention particular plant wants and the ways in which to use plants most effectively. Give them individual care and environment and they will flourish. Be slapdash about it and they may sulk.

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SEASON
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May-July April-May July-Sept. May-June May-Oct. June-Nov. May-Oct. June-Sept. May-Sept. July-Sept. April-Sept, July-Sept. May-June Aug.-Oct. May-June Aug.-Sept. May-June June-Oct. July-Nov. May-June April-May May-Oct. June-Nov. June-July May-June June-Sept.
April-Nov.

COLOR
Golden yellow Broad, solid masses of bloom. Excellent for edging sunny borders. Golden yellow Showy, daisy-like flowers for display and cutting. Easy of culture and long-lived. White Low and spreading; combines well with alyssum as border edging plant. Various $\quad$ Many fine types, including new dwarfs. Indispensable in the autumn garden. Orange Various White Various Various Yellow Various Blue, various Pink, various Orange Primrose Light blue Light blue Various Various White, pink Red, pink
Various Various Purplish Blue, various Pink, various Creamy, pink Blue, white Various Various Blue, white Various Various Various White Cream, pink Various Blue, white Blue, various

Deep rose Graceful and arching, especially when well established. Part shade. Appreciates good soil. An outstanding native plant for brilliant effects in dry, sunny places. Excellent for cutting. Several types, best treated as biennials. True perennial ones best for rock gardens. Evergreen, especially good for edging and low, broad masses. Best in full sun. Many fine modern types and varieties, including Korean hybrids. Good soil, full sun. Exceptionally graceful and attractive, especially the hybrid strains. Display and cutting. Sun. Very easily grown, excellent for garden display and cutting. Keep old flower heads removed. Greatly improved modern varieties give long season of bloom. Good soil, full sun to part shade. Best of the tall blue flowers, especially the modern strains. Superb for cutting and display. Several types, mostly fragrant. Excellent for cutting. Flower freely in sun and lime soil. Daisy-like flowers in masses, good for display and cutting. Sun and well-drained soil. Continuous flowering in well-drained soil and sunny situation. Graceful and airy, delightful clean color. Best in masses, sun or part shade. As edging or masses, or as ground cover for spring bulbs. Sun or light shade. Continuous flowering, especially good for cutting. Modern named varieties much improved. Good for garden display and cutting. Very long-flowering. Singles and doubles. Clouds of wee, dainty flowers, indispensable for arranging with other flowers. Effective in masses and for cutting. Tall, airy stems. Sun or part shade. Tall and dominating, against walls, buildings or at back of border. Singles and doubles. Full sun. Many types and varieties. Can be selected for moist or dry, sunny or shady conditions. Long, slender, picturesque wands of densely packed little blossoms of peculiar rosy-purple color. Unsurpassed where conditions suit it. Full sun, fair amount of moisture. Enormous crepe-paper blossoms. Superb for dominating masses. Sun or part shade. Moisture preferred. Feathery and fine for cutting. Moist, well-drained soil in sun or part shade. For display at back of border, and for cutting. Rich, not dry soil and partial shade. Indispensable in borders or in front of shrubbery. Some varieties fragrant. Sun and deep, rich soil. Unexcelled for masses of color. Good soil, fair moisture and full sun. For garden display and cutting. Sandy, well-drained soil, sun or shade. Many new, subtle colors available in this old-time favorite. Sun and good soil. For edging and general early display in well-drained, not too dry soil. Excellent border plants for full sun and average soil. Large, showy flowers. Showy, many-petaled flowers, fine for display and cutting. Prefers cool, moist soil. Fern-like foliage and spraying heads of small flowers. Sun or shade; moist, well-drained soil. Always desirable for border and cutting, especially the newer varieties. Full sun. Graceful, slender flower spires, some very long. Sun or part shade. For edging and ground cover in either sun or part shade. Numerous varieties.

SEASON

## African Daisy

## Ageratum

Alyssum
Aster, China
Babysbreath
Balsam
Begonia
Browallia
Calendula California Poppy Calliopsis
Candytuft
Clarkia
Cosmos
Gaillardia
Globe Amaranth
Godetia
Larkspur
Lobelia
Mallow
Marigold
Mignonette
Nasturtium
Nicotiana
Nierembergia
Petunia
Phlox
Poppy
Portulaca
Salpiglossis
Salvia
Scabiosa
Snapdragon Stocks
Strawflower Sunflower
Torenia
Verbena
Vinca
Zinnia July-Oct.

| HEIGHT | SEASON | COLOR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-24^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $6^{\prime \prime} \cdot 18^{\prime \prime}$ | May-Oct. | Blue, various |
| $4^{\prime \prime}-10^{\prime \prime}$ | May-Oct. | White, lilac |
| $18^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Oct. | Various |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-15^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Blue |
| $10^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Pink, various |
| $6^{\prime \prime}-12^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Various |
| $15^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Blue |
| $12^{\prime \prime}$-18 ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Yellow,orange |
| $10^{\prime \prime}-12^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Aug. | Yellow, var. |
| $18^{\prime \prime}-36^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Aug. | Yellow, var. |
| $10^{\prime \prime}$ - $18^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Various |
| $24^{\prime \prime}-36^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Rose, various |
| 48"-72" | July-Oct. | Pink, various |
| $24^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Maroon, bronze |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-18^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Oct. | Various |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-24^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Rose, various |
| $24^{\prime \prime}-40^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Blue, various |
| $4^{\prime \prime} \cdot 10^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Nov. | Blue, various |
| $36^{\prime \prime}-48^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Pink, rose |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-40^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Oct. | Yellow, gold |
| $12^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Pinkish white |
| $15^{\prime \prime} .72^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $18^{\prime \prime}-36^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $15^{\prime \prime}-18^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Lavender |
| $15^{\prime \prime}-24^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $6^{\prime \prime} \cdot 15^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $8^{\prime \prime}-24^{\prime \prime}$ | May-Oct. | Various |
| $6^{\prime \prime}-10^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Various |
| $20^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $24^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Sept. | Blue |
| $24^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Oct. | Various |
| $8^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ | May-Oct. | Various |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-20^{\prime \prime}$ | May-June | Various |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-24^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Sept. | Various |
| $36^{\prime \prime}-72^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Sept. | Various |
| $12^{\prime \prime}-18^{\prime \prime}$ | June-Sept. | Blue, pink |
| $8^{\prime \prime}-10^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Nov. | Various |
| $8^{\prime \prime}-12^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Oct. | Rose, pink |
| $15^{\prime \prime}-36^{\prime \prime}$ | July-Oct. | Various |

## COMMENTS AND DIRECTIONS

Daisy-like flowers, good for cutting as well as garden effects. Second sowing for late bloom. Compact and effective for front of border. Long-flowering if old flowers are removed. For informal edging and interplanting tall flowers. Succession sowings will provide continuous bloom. Large, effective blossoms, fine for cutting and display. Not always easy, but should always be tried. Showy, graceful and bushy. Seed should be sown under glass in March. An old favorite now much improved. For display and cutting. Not too rich soil. Long display in hot, dry locations. Sow seeds under glass, or buy young plants. Showy, graceful and bushy. Seed should be sown under glass in March. Best in moist, rich soil. First sowing under glass; second, outdoors in May. Makes fine masses. Sow seed where plants are to bloom. Withstands sun and dryness. Excellent for mass planting. Does not mind sun or dryness. No transplanting necessary. Hyacinth-flowered strain especially good. Lower-growing varieties fine for edging. Shrub-like, flowers in a few weeks from seed. Especially good for cutting. Splendid tall-growing background plant. Sow seed early under glass. Brilliant and continuous bloom. Withstands drought and heat. Sow where you want it to bloom. Well-branched, free-flowering and attractive throughout the summer.
Cup-shaped, very attractive flowers, single and double. Easily grown and fully satisfactory. Indispensable for back of border and cutting. Fine modern varieties. Good edging plant that flowers freely but should be replaced in late summer. Foliage and flowers resemble hollyhock. Looks especially well against fence or wall. Wide variety in both African and French types. Indispensable in every garden. Chief value is its unexcelled fragrance. Sow where plants are to bloom. Both dwarf and tall climbing types, singles and doubles. Full sun and average soil. Fragrant, freely-borne flowers and good general appearance. Sow under glass in March. A graceful, pleasing plant with yellow-eyed, saucer-shaped flowers. Very good. Both dwarf and balcony (spreading) types. Fine new varieties. Sun or shade. Sow early and successionally where plants are to bloom. Withstands dry, sunny conditions. For brilliant color masses. Easy and quick from seed sown where plants are to bloom. Low, brilliant color masses in hot, dry places. Sow in May where plants are to bloom. Showy and valuable for many situations. Sow early under glass or outdoors. Not the scarlet sage (S. splendens). Sow under glass in March. Fragrant, delicately toned blossoms over a long period. Splendid for cutting. Especially for cutting and garden display. Many colors and heights. Pinch back for stocky plants. Unexcelled for early summer, but cannot withstand great heat. Sow in March under glass. Useful especially as "Everlasting" for winter bouquets. Sow under glass in March. Many types more refined than the old barnyard kind. Easily grown.
Effective and satisfactory in every way. Sow seed under glass about mid-March.
Spreading ground covers that withstand even difficult conditions. Sow under glass in February. Especially for bedding and edging. Very free-blooming. Sow under glass in February. Various

# Are you an adventurous gardener? 

Here is a crop of new annuals to give variety to your garden
by CARL V. CROPP

A.S A race, we Americans are singularly incurious
 gardeners. Each winter we pore over catalogs which offer an exciting choice of new annuals. Each spring we go out and plant half a dozen or so of the same old species. adventure. Plan to plant some new annuals each year and your garden will have a variety and charm it would lack otherwise. There is a thrill to seeing a new plant. When I walked into the private breeding patch of a well-known California seedsman a few years ago and saw Ipomoea Blue Mound for the first time, I knew I had discovered one of those rare novelties which represent a completely new race of plants. Try to imagine a normal Heavenly Blue morningglory compressed into a variety 12 inches tall. Then picture that dwarf covered with the same four-inch flowers of the parent vine. That is Ipomoea Blue Mound. Because it gets its dwarf habit by reason of shortened internodes, it carries almost as many flowers as the taller plant, but they are borne so closely together that the foliage is all but invisible.

Blue mound is a seedling of Clark's Early Flowering strain and retains the early flowering habit of its parent. Definitely a novelty that ought to be in every garden. A second novelty is a soft sky blue, not the vivid cerulean of a summer day, but rather the soft tint of a misty day in autumn. The flower is clearly marked with a five-rayed blue star. Along a fence, where the perspective is to be emphasized, this would be highly effective. Use the deeper shades close to the observer, a mixture of pale and deep blue in the center, and the pale tint at the far end. This will create an illusion of depth and distance that will add hundreds of feet to the apparent length of the planting. Ipomoea Blue Star won an Honorable Mention in the All America Seed Selections for 1949. Another All America winner was "warmed up" from the beginning of the war. Hollyhock Indian Summer won a Bronze Medal, but because of wartime conditions, seed could not be produced in quantities large enough to introduce it. With the lifting of restrictions, enough seed was produced to permit introduction in 1949. It was developed from (Continued on page 92)


Opposite:

elected for the 1949 All-America Awards were: 1, rose Tallyho for an unusual tint entirely new to roses-outside of petals crimson, inside pink and Tyrian rose. 2, rose Forty-Niner. 3, Silver Medal petunia, the most brilliantly hued bi-color ever introduced-rich yellow outside and vivid red inside. 4, Blue Star morning-glory, dwarf, pale blue, its radiations darker blue. Excellent for edging. An annual hollyhock, Indian Summer, not shown, also received an award. Miniature rose Red Elf, top of page, with flowers the size of a postage stamp, is a new crimson.



# How research is contributing to your garden 

by Milton carleton

In the past decade we have seen horticulture (once an ancient art, familiar to old codgers with horny hands and sun-baked faces) become a science ruled over by bright young men fresh from academic halls. Unfortunately, many of the earth-shaking miracles announced with tremendous fanfare failed to do much more than stir up a faint dust. Even plausible discoveries have been over-exploited by faddists, or misused by careless, incompetent workers, to the discredit of the whole art. As a result we find that science and modern usages are apt to be suspect. The real truth probably lies somewhere between the blind, unreasoning zealotism of the organiculturist and the wild adulation of the scientific faddist. Rightly used, science can ease the load of drudgery that many feel is inherent in gardening. It can bring us richer harvests. It can save us money. Crab grass is perhaps the worst weed that disfigures the lawns of the country. After two years of testing, the phenyl mercury compounds look better than ever as crab grass controls. Sprayed on lawns just after germination of crab grass seed has started, and repeated five days later, a bottle of one of these phenyl mercury compounds will do an amazing job of cleaning out this pest. I have seen lawns where in the past the combined efforts of an entire family could not keep crab grass in check. Yet with two sprayings, complete control was accomplished in less than an hour's time.

That begins to sound like a real miracle. Hundreds of reports of failures, however, show that this is not a perfect, fool-proof operation. In almost all of the cases of failure I have studied, I found that the directions of the manufacturers had been followed, but the user had applied the solution with a sprayer, not a sprinkling can. Here I feel the manufacturer has been remiss in not explaining that these compounds work differently from the 2.4-D weed killers they superficially resemble. The phenyl mercury compounds are not leaf absorption hormones. Instead, they kill when absorbed by the roots of crab grass. The proper method of application calls for a drop that falls onto the soil and soaks in. Use a watering can to apply it, and results will be better. Pelleted seeds have been touted in the public press lately as the solution for many garden problems. The idea looks good on paper. By pelleting methods now in use, a seed the size of a grain of dust can be built up until it is as large as a pea. Since the coating is perfectly round, this peasized seed can be planted with mechanical equipment, and spaced
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## Opposite:

## EXHIBITED AT THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SHOW

These photogenic vegetables, displayed recently in one of the
fortnightly exhibitions of the Royal Horticultural Society in London, were grown
on the estate of the Duke of Rutland at Be voir Castle in Leicestershire.

## GOOD GARDENING

IS GOOD LIVING

# These 21 steps make a garden path 

by ARTHUR PRINCE

Dry, clean, paved walks improve the appearance of a garden. They give firm footing to wheelbarrows and other horticultural trucking. They do away with the incompetent old gravel path which is always weedy and allows mud to be carried into the house. Here, in 21 steps, is how you make them.

1
 proposed path with pegs driven along parallel garden lines. Both edges must be absolutely parallel, so don't rely on your eye. Use a pole cut to the width you desire. A good average width is $4^{\prime}$.

2

dic out the soil of the old unsatisfactory path to $15^{\prime \prime}-18^{\prime \prime}$. The latter depth is advisable in heavy soil. If the area does not become waterlogged easily, the foundations should carry away water. Otherwise, a drain pipe must be laid down the center.

3

on light soil there is no necessity for laying deep drainage (see steps for the drainage procedure), a depth of $9^{\prime \prime}$ will be sufficient. Next, clear the ground of all perennial or long-rooted weeds. If these are not removed, they will push up through the path, prove a perpetual nuisance. To be on the safe side, use a strong weed killer.

4


A CAMBER (convexity) is not necessary. Rake the base level, tamp firm, taking special care of edges.

5


For drainage fill in a third to a half of the excavated area with large broken clinkers, brickbats, hard rubbish, stones, etc. On top of this fill, to within $3^{\prime \prime}$ of the top, with coarse gravel or smaller clinkers. In this way basic drainage is laid down.


Water and roll each layer of drainage as it is put in, rolling the sides first, then the center. The path is now ready for a top layer of gravel. Roll but do not water this lest wet gravel stick to roller.

7

permanent edgings are often required to help you keep the garden tidy, sometimes they are necessary to retain the soil. Lengths of lumber, $1^{\prime \prime}$ thick, creosoted, are a cheap and suitable material. Metal strips or bricks set lengthwise with ends touching are also efficient and inconspicuous. Fix the edges before you start filling in the core of rubble.

8


THE EDGES must be flush with, or slightly lower than, the grass, to facilitate easy mowing, and must be on the same level on both sides of the path. Use a straight edge and spirit level at short intervals.

9


PAVED PATHWAYS are without a doubt both useful and beautiful, and their popularity is not surprising. You can use natural stone that occurs in flaky strata or man-made stone such as bricks or cement.
the foundation for paved pathways need not be so deep as for gravel paths. Ram the foundation down firmly and test it with straight edge and spirit level before commencing to lay the stone. Spread a $2^{\prime \prime}$ layer of sand over the hard core on which the stone surface is laid in various patterns.

10

on light soil, a $2^{\prime \prime}$ layer of sand placed directly on the base, without the hard core layer, will be sufficient. This sand and the layers underneath, if any, must be made absolutely firm and level before the stone is laid, however, as it is very difficult to remedy deficiencies once the path is completed.


TO MAKE SURE that each stone lies firm and does not wobble every time you step on it, place small quantities of cement underneath each corner of the larger or underneath the center of smaller stones.

## 12


move the stone slightly to and fro so that it is firmly bedded on the cement. Test with a spirit level and if it is slightly out, knock more or less hard with the handle of the hammer. Always start laying the stones from both edges and fill in the center later. The crevices, especially in the center of the path, should not be more than one inch wide, or it will be difficult to walk on the path.


THE MOST POPULAR TYPE of paving is the socalled crazy paving. It consists of irregular pieces of stone of various sizes from $6^{\prime \prime}$ to $2^{\prime}$, fitted together. Where the angles meet, large spaces are left between the stones in irregular intervals which give ample opportunity to plant rock-loving perennials. Keep the planting to the sides of the path so you can walk on it without treading on plants.

random paving consists of rectangular pieces of stone which should be laid in such a way that there is, as far as possible, no continuous line of cracks. All crevices should run either parallel or at a right angle to the edge. Occasionally, a small square may be left out near the outer edge for planting perennials. Where the path is much used cement the joints to give a surface free from raised edges which might trip you up on a dark night.

15

bricks are best laid on edge. After laying the pattern, dry sand should be brushed into the crevices and watered. Same rules apply to English pan tiles which are laid on edge on rolled sand. 16

variety of pattern can be made with bricks and tiles in combination or separately. The joints are either left open and filled with sand, or they may be cemented together. The open joints are better as water can escape easily and damage by frost is prevented. With cemented joints, a fall of $1^{\prime \prime}$ to $1^{\prime}$ wide has to be provided so that surface water can run off as illustrated by the cross-section above.

17


CONCRETE IS AN ECONOMICAL material for a pathway, but if you want a pretty effect, do not pour it on the garden path as you would to build a roadway. Make concrete slabs and then use them like natural stone. Mix one part of Portland cement with four parts of sharp clean sand by shoveling it over several times. Then sprinkle water over it, a little at a time, and keep turning the material until mixture is uniform-dry enough so no water can be squeezed out. Mix cement on a wooden base.

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the concrete mixture is poured into a previously prepared frame with clean sand at the base. Spread it out evenly, $2^{\prime \prime}$ or $3^{\prime \prime}$ thick, smooth the surface with a wet spade, and let it dry for a few hours. Then it will have settled so far that you can cut it with a hand trowel to any size and shape. This relieves the deadly sameness of a cement walk.

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after two or three days the concrete will have hardened. Then lift the pieces with a spade, break them apart where necessary, and pile them up for another day or two for further drying, or until you use them. Don't mix concrete in frosty weather.

to the mixture you can add some tinting material, which enables you to get slabs of practically the whole color scale. In doing this not only do you obviate the glare of concrete in summer but you can also introduce all kinds of colored patterns.

## 21



STEPPING STONES may cross a grass area or rock garden or run alongside a flower border. Use any flat stones available-natural stones of irregular shape, random trimmed material, or square cement slabs. The diameter should be roughly $l^{\prime}$. Walk in natural paces along the grass where the path is desired and place pieces of stone on each footstep. Square cement slabs must lie accurately along a line, distances between slabs be exactly equal.

## How to

## garden in partial

## and dense shade

UNTIL they start studying its variations, beginning gardeners may be bewildered by shade. Then a whole new world of interests opens up. Roughly, shade falls into two groups: partial and dense. Either of these may be dry or wet, making for various combinations. In each, families of plants find a congenial environment because their ancestors have flourished in like conditions. The shade of a house or the shade of a large tree may create the problem. The shady spot may be marshland or the banks of a tree-grown brook. Often wooded hilltops and slopes defy the gardener's efforts. First study the density of shade. Is it continueus or varying, heavy or filtered?

Equally important is the nature of the soil you find there, sandy or rich in leaf mold, alkaline or acid. These conditions determine the plants to use. A soil-testing set is the best equipment to take on such explorations.

The color of many flowers bleaches out in full sunlight but remains brilliant in filtered shade. Common perennial garden phlox is an example. The number of alpine plants that seem to grow best in partial shade almost exceeds those that demand full sunlight. Azaleas and broad-leaf evergreens flourish and hold their color best where the shade is patchy and the soil is acid.

The commonest shade problem of all is presented by the area just under a tree. Maples are greedy and soon exhaust the soil. Use plants that grow in spite of this-pachysandra or Japanese spurge, ivy pinned down to make a green mat, and dry-land ferns. Let there be a touch of dampness. and lilies of the valley, vinca and the various varieties of funkia will succeed, furnishing both greenery and flowers.

## Opposite: VaRIETIES OF SHADE

This pool and woods in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes Perdue Atlanta, Georgia, reveals several forms of shade: dense beneath the trees, semi-shade on the fringe of the woods; shadowed damp shade at the edge of the placid pool and dry on the ridge above
annuals for partial shade
Basket flower
Begonias
Chinese forget-me-not
Clarkia
Cockscomb
Cornflower
Drummond phlox
Lupine
Pansy
Snapdragon
Sweet alyssum
Sweet sultan
ANNUALS FOR DENSE SHADE
Coreopsis
Godetia
Lobelia
Periwinkle
Stock
PARTIAL-SHADE PERENNIALS
Anchusa
Beebalm
Cimicifuga
Columbine
Doronicum
Harebell
Hollyhock
Linaria
Lupine
Peony
Physostegia
Pulmonaria
Pyrethrum
Saxifrage
Silene
Turtlehead
Valerian
SHRUBS AND EVERGREENS FOR SHADE

Glossy abelia
Azalea
Bayberry
Benzoin
Black jetbead
Blueberry
Box
Buttonbush
Chokeberry
Clethra
Alpine currant
Clove currant
Dogwood
Euonymus
White fringetree
Inkberry holly
Japanese holly
Hydrangea
Hypericum
Jersey tea
Drooping leucothoe
Mahonia
Mountain laurel
Japanese pieris
Mountain pieris
Rhododendron
Shadblow
Snowberry
Cutleaf stephanandra
Sumac
Sweetshrub
Viburnum
Winterberry
Winterhazel
Witchhazel

## GOOD GARDENING

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continued

## New tools that make

## light work of gardening

Lawns, hedges and flower beds look their best when tended by these modern implements


THE TIME to think about garden tools is right now when the garden lies dormant and you can get a long-range view of what you need and want most. There is a wide variety of improved equipment this year to make gardening painless-labor-saving, timesaving, motor-driven and manual tools. A dozen are shown here. In choosing, remember that the cost of good tools can usually be paid off in several years by savings made in a handy man's time. A power mower, for example, cuts his time (and hisoday's bill) by hours; or if you are your own handy man, it will save you from hours of grass cutting.


## Island living



MR. AND MRS. IVOR BRYCE on their front porch survey their spice plantation high in the hills above Kingston, Jamaica.

## In Jamaica: Queen Anne and spices...

## In Nassau: paintings and palmettos.

MORE and more people are making the islands of the Caribbean their year-round home. Some of them live on the sparkling, reef-ringed aeolian deposits that comprise the Bahamas; others inhabit mountain-studded Jamaica (an island which is the result of a culinary-sounding geological occurrence known as mountain folding). None of them is camping out under a thatch of fronds, or eating out of coconut shells. To these islands, they have taken their most cherished possessions, their best bibs and bibelots, their finest furniture, glass and china, their favorite paintings. A typical example, Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Bryce bought a Jamaican spice plantation in the hills above Kingston eight years ago. Now they live there all year round in an historic house built in 1760 , which has been easily adapted to the exigencies of contemporary life. Mrs. Bryce uses the hurricane room in the center of the house as a sitting room and has opened up the rooms that formerly stretched across the front to form one vast sweep of drawing room. She has furnished her house with English pieces mixed with native copies of traditional designs. For information on how to get to Jamaica see page 96.


THE dRAWING ROOM runs the entire width of the house, has Jamaican cedar woodwork and English furniture, including a desk built for Carlton House in London.


THE DINING ROOM has walls dappled with china birds; Queen Anne sideboard by local craftsmen.

## Opposite:

Jamaica's many waterfalls are a captivating part of the island's scenic charm, as they cascade down the mountains to the sea. Here, on the estate of Mrs. Robert Lehman in Ocho Rios, one of them feeds a swimming pool.


The Bahamas, where life moves with casual grace from cay to cay


The Nassau waterfront, alive with bobbing boats


Bay Street in Nassau, arrayed with enticing shops

La Playa, Nassau house of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Worswick


Delicate Colonial façade, reflected in a lily pond


Ocean-facing terrace, designed for sunlit hours


Every Nassau street is richly redolent of the past


Drawing room with 18th-century English furniture

Tamarind, Nassau house of Sir Francis and Lady Peek



A cay from above is as festive as a birthday cake


L story affair with classic architectural details and large windows, which look out over smartly tailored grounds to the ocean. The Worswicks bought their house three years ago, not realizing at the time that it had been designed by the same architect who did their Palm Beach house, the late Maurice Fatio. Since then they have done quite a bit of work on it, converting a porch into a dining room, adding two bedrooms and servants' rooms, rebuilding the kitchen and service quarters. In contrast to the light exterior, the interior walls of Florida cypress have been stained a dull green, providing a relatively formal background for their excellent collections of eighteenth-century British paintings and French prints. Most of these used to hang in the Worswicks' London house in Carlton Gardens, which was destroyed during the war. The Worswicks brought to Nassau a number of pieces of fine eighteenth-century English furniture.

The bahamas stretch like giant stepping stones from Florida to the islands of the Greater Antilles, and many who have stepped on them have never felt it necessary to step any further. Year after year they return to open up their houses, or to enjoy the hospitality of their favorite guesthouse or hotel; to live a life of charmed simplicity on one of the remoter cays, or to participate in the sophisticated ritual of Nassau's winter season. The reasons for this unshakable devotion are not hard to find. Set like semiprecious stones in a luminous sea, the Bahamas have a crisp, clear charm of a kind you're not apt to discover in your own back yard, but which can hardly be described as exotic. Part of this is due to nature's neatness and part of it to the sensible trimness of British colonial architecture, which is capable of civilizing even the most rampantly luxuriant landscape. If you think you'd like to savor the pristine qualities of the Bahama Islands yourself, please turn to page 96 to find out how best to get there.


Twhich it was named. Set off by deep green palms and a periwinkle blue sky, it radiates a festive serenity. The outer walls, symmetrically arranged and decorated with a conch shell motif, were built in 1830; the inside, recently completely redone by the architect John Wolfe, includes in the hall a new staircase of Honduras mahogany, designed for Sir Francis by Mosko, a brilliant wood carver of the Dodecanese Islands in the Aegean Sea. Adding further luster to the hall are a pair of rare ivory chairs inlaid with ebony which are reputed to have been part of a group of dining room chairs presented to Lord Clive by the East India Company on his assumption of office as first Governor-General of India. Other exceptional pieces are the last two needlework carpets from Pontromolli, a drawing room mantelpiece, said to have come from a house in Berkeley Square, and two rare grape-patterned Yung Cheng bowls.


With the planting fully grown, the exterior pleasantly weathered, the decorating completed, this house is

## Better than when it was built

## Opposite:

A 10-YEAR-OLD HOUSE THAT HAS MATURED WELL Houses, like people, undergo a growing process. One test of quality may be how well they take the years. This little French house, formal but forthright, was built for Mr. and Mrs. Maynard S. Bird at Greenfield Hill, Connecticut. Their architect, Cameron Clark, and landscape architect, Louise Payson, gave them an excellent arrangement of rooms and gardens. The Birds furnished the house with distinction, landscaped the gardens delightfully over a period of ten years. The result today is a house which has grown in grace.

CAMERON CLARK architect


A French house at home in a new england setting
The outdoor dining arbor, perennial garden flanked by rock wall, and pool have linked the French character of the house to a Connecticut landscape. Living and dining rooms survey this garden side.

Time can deal as kindly with houses as it can with people. It has certainly added much charm to this house which is at its best now-ten years after it was built. The texture and tone of its gray, flush board walls, black shingled roof and louvered shutters have become better companions; full grown maples now silhouette the picturesque roof and chimney lines; rear windows reflect gardens and clipped lindens at their prime. The house is in the spirit of a small eighteenth-century manoir. Mrs. Maynard Bird is herself partly French, has traveled widely in France and likes the graceful details and pro-
portions of the small houses at Versailles. As a former decorator, she felt that this kind of house, urbane yet at ease in a country setting, would be a good foil for the French furniture and bibelots that she admires and collects. She says that the house has worked well:-"We like the plan with many windows facing the gardens; each frames a view to enhance our rooms. The circular staircase, apart from the entrance, gives privacy and avoids drafts. The adjoining living and dining rooms make entertaining easy. The porch adjacent to the pantry makes it easy to serve meals outdoors. This has been a joy to us."

MAYNARD BIRD HOUSE continued


ONLY BRICK PAVING, FOUR POSTS, A TRELLIS, WERE NEEDED TO FORM THIS DELIGHTFUL DINING TERRACE
The white wisteria-covered pergola, connected with dining room and pantry for convenient outdoor meals, makes a pleasant link between the formal French house and informal French style garden. Clipped linden trees are a backdrop for a succession of spring and summer flowers along adjoining walk. Espaliered forsythia screens service area. Landscape plan, below, by Louise Payson includes future planting.



DIRECTOIRE ANTIQUES AND DISTINGUISHED DETAILS IN THE DINING ROOM
Colorful old French paintings on three walls of this room, Sayonnerie rug in cream, red-browns and blue, crystal chandelier with gazing ball, blue cabinet filled with rare china add up to a handsome room.


ENTRANCE HALL HAS GOOD WALL SPACE FOR FURNITURE Semi-circular commodes have marble tops; French paper is gray, yellow.

rose-red rug, celadon walls in the living room Mme. Laetitia Bonaparte by a pupil of David hangs over a rosewood commode.


The kitchen is the heart of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Brotherton's house at Mount Vernon, Washington, designed by Smith and Van Fossen

## The core of this house is its kitchen

A new design trend puts the kitchen (once housed in a service wing) in the center of the house

WThen servants were plentiful, kitchen, laundry and maids' rooms were usually grouped in their own wing and visited periodically by the lady of the house. But Mrs. Lawrence L. Brotherton wanted her kitchen to be the pivot of her house, to facilitate her management of it. To this end a giant chimney jointly serves living room and kitchen as core of the house. The other rooms wing out from them, interrupted by a minimum of walls at wide angles, to $g$ ive freedom of movement. Directly under the kitchen, the room for the GE furnace is reached by a spiral staircase in a hexagonal stairwell. The whole house has continuity, both as to plan and materials (the same ones are used indoors and out with special emphasis on the grain of vertical cedar wood, the rosy tones of old bricks combined with new ones fired to give them a purplish tone). Waxed concrete floors, in which radiant-heating pipes are embedded, are matched by the red linoleum in kitchen and laundry. Nowhere in this house are surfaces painted.


# New color cues 

for bedroom and bathroom

LAst year-a straw in the wind; this year-a must: color has invaded bedroom and bathroom. House \& Garden colors are to be found in sheets and pillowcases, blankets and bath towels. As a result, January "white" sales will be gayer and probably less white than before. Look for Sprout Green, because it is so sunny and because, surprisingly enough, it is as flattering to fair skin as to brunette. Try Citron Yellow, for its clarity and sparkle. Plan to have one bedroom and one bathroom Sweet Pink, as delicate as old-fashioned pinks, and subtler. Remember that you can use variations of our colors and consider the pale water-clear versions of Kingfisher Blue. Flame is effective as an accent.

CiI
Citron yellow, clear and gay, has the quality
of morning sunlight


PLAN TO DRESS YOUR BED IN COLORED SHEETS AND BLANKETS
Whether you sleep in a four-poster like this (by Old Colony at Lord \& Taylor) or one of modern design, choose House \& Garden colors for sheets and pillowcases, blankets, blanket covers, spread, comforter. Sheets, Pepperell. Blankets, Chatham.
$\mathrm{S}_{\text {prout creex provis }}$ REMARKABLY BECOMING FOR BEDROOM AND BATHROOM
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TO DRAMATIC



Chosen because it is the year's most successful accent color, Flame makes a dressing room lively, is at its best used in small quantities. Perfect for big monograms on big towels.

House \& Garden colors

citron yellow, left, in a Chatham blanket, Pepperell sheet, Lenthéric sachet. Sprigged quilt.

PURPLE HEATHER in St. Marys blankets and a Cyrus Clark chintz. The Pacific percale sheets are white.

TURQUOISE, right, for the first time in an electric blanket, Fieldcrest. Callaway rug, embroidered pillow.


Closet cue for your linens

Here's a new kind of linen storage: half-inch plywood shelves on metal brackets, which can be suspended from any wall. Its principles, long used by modern architects, can double your storage space in an already existing closet; its engineered dimensions will be useful if you're planning to build. Its table of contents (itemized list on page 111) will help you check linen and bedding replacements you'll be buying at this time of year. Details on how to build it on page 111. House \& Garden designed the closet; see it at Macy's, in New York.


## Focus on the fireplace

Your fireplace is the traditional center of your house; it sets the mood for the decoration of your room. On these six pages, we present a variety of mantel treatments.


KEY A FRENCH PROVINCIAL ROOM TO A LOUIS XV MANTEL
This graceful marble mantel gives authentic line to the library of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Marshall's country house. It dictated French Provincial paneling and a modern glazed chintz of French Provincial derivation on the armchairs. On it stand two bronze cows by the sculptor, Herbert Haseltine.

## Opposite:



Capitalize on the charm of natural wood Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Lee's warm, livable library is walnut-paneled, centers on a raw pine mantel carved with Federal eagles and shields.


CONTRAST WHITEWASHED BRICK, DARK BEAMS
The Erik Bolins' fireplace is framed by a proscenium of Provincial oak beams, is stepped up from floor level, has a simple shelf above it.


CREATE A SHADOW-BOX FOR A MOBILE
In Mrs. Francis L. White's bedroom, Elsie McNeill, Inc. used this black marble fireplace as a frame for Alexander Calder's black metal mobile.

FOCUS ON THE FIREPLACE continued


POINT UP A PALE ROOM WITH A BRIGHT METAL MANTEL
In Mr. George E. Greene's apartment, Martini-colored walls, screen and carpet, plus blond furniture called for an animated center of interest. Mr. Greene chose a stainless steel mantel with a small hood. In summer, its bright reflecting surfaces make an effective background for green leaves or for flower arrangements.

kERTESZ
SET A CLASSIC PEDIMENT OVER A GEORGIAN MANTEL
Dr. and Mrs. Harold Ruckman Mixsell live on Long Island, have a pale-carpeted white living room filled with greenhouse flowers and flowery chintzes. A good setting for day or night entertaining, its fragile charm is carried out by a broken pediment overmantel and restrained paneling.


MIRROR AN EMPIRE MANTEL
In Mrs. Arthur H. Kudner's turquoise living room, decorator William Pahlmann emphasizes a white marble mantel with floor-to-ceiling mirror.


ACCENT WITH A DIRECTOIRE MANTEL
In Charles H. G. Thompson's sophisticated living room, this black marble mantel dramatizes a scheme in olive-green, snuff-brown and gold.


SET A VICTORIAN MANTEL ON A STEP
In Mrs. Wellington S. Henderson's bedroom this small Victorian mantel with cast-iron facing is placed off-center and stepped up from the floor.

Too often mantel decoration tends to
become cliché. Here are five arrangements that avoid being trite.

brass Fireplace set, \$55, Edwin Jackson

## CONVENTIONAL




BRASS CHESS KNIGHT ANDIRONS, \$125, EDWIN JACKSON


USE UNEVEN HEIGHTS, DISPARATE SCALE
Higher at the sides than in middle, this group of appliqués, antique barometer and diminutive bronze busts has an eyearresting quality not present in the arrangement, left, of pier glass, clock and standard pair of matched cachepots.


MIX PERIOD PIECES WITH MODERN PAINTING
For a typical Early American mantel, you might choose a classic primitive painting, milk glass and vases full of rushes, above, right. But there is as much harmony and considerably more interest in the surprise effect of a modern painting, English porcelain and French Provincial furniture, as above.

## LASSIC



IOOSE ORNAMENTS WITH FLAIR here is nothing the matter with e Chinese Chippendale mirror beveen candelabra on this painted inoiserie mantel, above, except hat you have seen it a score of mes. So why not choose more unchearsed ornaments, right, such as n antique Italian gilt wall bracket ung over four bisque figurines?

TIME-TRIED


## SPOTTY



ECLECTIC


italian andirons, iron painted GREEN. \$38, EDWIN JACKSON


A FRAMED COLLECTION LOOKS MORE IMPORTANT
Above this antique Federal cherry and burl maple mantel a group of small portrait medallions and mementos counts for more if assembled in one frame rather than spotted at random (above, left). Such an arrangement will set off a handsome ornament or fine porcelain.


BRASS AND BLACK FIREWOOD BASKET, \$32, EDWIN JACKSON

For shopping information on accessories see page 120.

## Your patio is an outdoor room

Decorate it as you would a living room, but bear in mind that nature supplies pattern in branch and leaf and flower and that white is wonderful with green.

0clement days, your patio is an outdoor room to be lived in from early morning till long after sundown. It merits attractive decoration, comfortable chairs and sofas, an ample table, good lighting. White sets it off beautifully. Mr. and Mrs. F. Cecil Baker's patio on the St. Lucie River estuary in Florida, below, is framed on three sides by the white walls of their house. Palms offer partial shade into which furniture on wheels is rolled; clustered potted plants provide flowers through the year. For Mr. and Mrs. George L. Coleman, Jr.'s house at Pebble Beach, California, decorator Frances A. Elkins chose white painted wooden furniture, upholstered in brilliant poster colors. Exotic native plants flourish in brackets on the wall and in pots on the tiled floor. Palms and tall shrubs grow against the white walls and in archways of Channing Hare's loggia at Palm Beach. At Locust Valley, Long Island. Mrs. Harold Ruckman Mixsell combines rattan and iron furniture, painted white, upholstered in plain, dark blue duck. Opposite, four patios suggest decorating ideas for you. Shopping information is on page 93.



ROMANTIC: Arabesques of Victorian cast-aluminum lace complement potted shrubs. Furniture by Molla.

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ECLECTIC: Brash color and crisp lines beside a terrace; furniture by Salterini.



# Time melows shis modern house 



House \& Garden is often asked by its readers: "Will a modern house wear well? Will I like it as well in 10 years as I do now?" We believe that any welldesigned house is bound to grow in your affection as its gardens mature and its rooms become stamped with your personality. As a case in point, we photographed a 10 -year-old "modern" house in Lincoln, Massachusetts, and asked the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gropius, how they like living in it, if window walls, solar heating and flat roofs have stood up under wear and weather. Their comments and criticisms (here and on the next four pages) are doubly illuminating for as architect and owner, Mr. Gropius knows every facet of his house. For more information about this house turn to page 112.

1948-W hat a decade has done for the appearance of our house

1938-We had just moved in

## Ten years' experience

## with our own house

## by W alter and Ise Gropius

Agreat deal of the charm of old houses is certainly due to the mellowing effect of time and of their well-established gardens. Modern houses are often photographed and published right after their owners have moved in. They are bound to look bare. It is obvious that the house and its surrounding landscape need years to come to terms with each other. The appearance of our own house in Lincoln, Massachusetts, has changed within ten years because the landscaping and gardens have had time to grow up to our original plan

The house is opened up to take in a part of the surrounding areas. Nor does it end at its enclosing walls; it reaches out with "tentacles" of trellis, low walls and planting designed to delineate the outdoor living spaces and make them a part of the over-all composition. This way, gardening assumed a new importance. Our garden projects itself constantly into our consciousness and we are more aware of its features than we would be if we only got an occasional glimpse of it through small Georgian window panes.


Landscaping and garden have had a chance to develop; the house has mellowed and worn wel

Opposite

THE HOUSE plan responds well to the various claims of family life. It had been planned from the beginning not to create a "picture" or to perpetuate a status quo -however charming-but as a living organism, ready to serve as background for constantly changing activities. We think that the house fits us like a sweater, except for the kitchen which does not now quite answer our present requirements. It was laid out under the assumption that we would have a maid. But as servants often create more problems than they solve, we find that the maidless household suits us better. We now wish we had a broad counter between kitchen and dining room which would permit the family or guests to serve themselves conveniently and allow for a more open communication between the living area and the kitchen. The Kliegl light in the ceiling above the dining table is most successful. Even simple glassware and pottery look glamorous in the brilliant pinpoint illumination. Attention is centered on table and food, while the eyes remain protected from the glare.


Summer-night parties on the roof deck, shown above, breakfasts in the morning sun on the porch, SHOWN BELOW-all this brings to our home life many of the thrills for which we used to travel far and wide.


The large screened porch, extending out from our house at full length, has become the main living and dining space during the summer. It catches both eastern and western breezes and has a sheltered, glassed-in corner.

WALTER GROPIUS and
MARCEL BREUER, architects



Clapboard and brick, wood-frame construction and the demands of the New England climate form a regional tradition which was made a part of the design; but it is not a dry imitation of what has been in the past.

The large window walls are a most desirable asset we have found. They establish the outdoor-indoor relation of our living space throughout the year. They provide a view of a natural stage on which the dramatic events of nature entertain us from morning to evening, summer and winter. There is nothing like watching a blizzard through 12 -foot

The spiral staircase to the roof-deck and to our daughter's room proved to be very practical as the children could enter directly without tracking through the house.

WE MOVED into our house a few days before the great hurricane of September 1938, which put it to a severe test right away. The porch screens were torn and part of the trellis loosened, but everything else, including the large glass panes, remained intact. The flat roof was not affected, whereas pitched roofs all over the region suffered damage. Also in subsequent heavy blizzards throughout the years, the flat roof never developed a leak. Since the slightest air current blows snow off the roof, drifts have no chance to collect. Pitched roofs pile up snow on their wind side; then the snow comes down in avalanches or forms icicles which are often dangerous. The inside drain for the flat roof works perfectly. It is warmed by indoor temperature and cannot freeze.

The real drawback to living in our house in Lincoln, is the fact that we have largely neglected traveling. We have become home addicts and it takes a major effort now to tear us away.



LIVING ROOM SEEN FROM DINING ROOM
We e have often been asked, "Why have a fireplace in a modern house where it obviously is not needed for heating?" Our answer is that we enjoy it. A sweet-smelling wood fire is a luxury we should hate to dispense with for its beauty and relaxing qualities.


The floor plan of the house was designed for freedom of motion from one room to another and to the out-of-doors. Throughout the years the house has responded well to almost every need of our family. The kitchen and service areas were designed to be run by a maid, but we have discovered that a servantless household is more to our liking.

The Old Colonial tradition of a central hall is pleasant and appropriate today. It eliminates corridors, and from it we can reach every room. The clapboard is a time-honored material, used in the region over a hundred years.



# How to stretch inches 

## Here is furniture that gives you the charm of tradition plus <br> the benefits of storage space engineered to modern standards.

TTill very recently, many people found themselves between Scylla and Charybdis when they started to decorate. Would they choose modern furniture with its wonderfully planned storage facilities? Or would they have traditional furniture with its traditional (and often inadequate) storage arrangements? Today, they can choose whichever style they like best without having to make a sacrifice. This is possible because modern design thinking is being built into chests, tables, desks and night-stands in the eighteenth-century style. An outstanding job has been done by the Grand Rapids Chair Company. On these four pages you will find fine mahogany pieces, distinguished by their grace and good workmanship. They are a living example of an old maxim: beauty is as beauty does. They are good to look at and even better to live with. Internally, every inch has been charted to serve you. First the designers took inventory of the average possessions of an average family; then worked months to find the most logical ways to store them. By subdividing each cabinet and tailoring each drawer to a specific purpose, they have made it difficult to be untidy. You will not be tempted to toss handkerchiefs in the shirt drawer and you will find it impossible to put place mats where the silver ought to be. But the designers have also managed to combine orderliness with flexibility, so that the pieces you buy when you live in a small apartment can move right along with you when you move into a larger place. Today's desk can become tomorrow's dressing table. The compact dining table opens up to fit the new dining room. The buf-fet-bureau you use now in your living-dining room can be moved either to dining room or bedroom when you expand. A modern counterpart of this period furniture will appear in House \& Garden for February.

## pposite:

arge-scale charm n small-scale space

Dinner is served against a ackground of House \& ;ARDEN colors-Madeira nd Sandalwood Beige, acented by a bouquet of Colorado carnations. Conole table $24^{\prime \prime} \times 40^{\prime \prime}$ opens $095^{\prime \prime} \times 40^{\prime \prime}$ with three $12^{\prime \prime}$ eaves, costs $\$ 184$; chairs price $\$ 175$ for four) are overed in Kandell's "Mayime" chintz. Antique miror and wall brackets, Dlivieri. Candelabra, Motahedeh; candles, Will \& Baumer. "Skyline" rug, ames Lees. Details of able setting on page 119 .

Sligh Originals Group by Grand Rapids Chair Co., at Macy's, New York; John M. Smyth Co., Chicago; Paul Schatz Furniture Co., Portland, Oregon.



Bigger than it looks
This bureau-buffet can hold essentials for dressing and dining in a one-room apartment (see it again on page 81). You can store a chest for flat silver, top left, your serving silver goes in the center, your linen, right. Double drawer (bottom center) is for bottles. Three lower drawers, left, for his clothes, right, for hers. Bureau-buffet is $60^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{\prime \prime}, \$ 345$. Lamps, Macy's; Staffordshire vases, W. Jay Saylor; decanters and labels, Georg Jensen Inc.; Skyline beige carpet by James Lees.


In a large living-dining room
An oval dining table ( $60^{\prime \prime} \times 46^{\prime \prime}, \$ 225$ ) is set in the window with a large butler-buffet ( $64^{\prime \prime} \times 23^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 535$, shown close-up below) on the adjoining wall. The room, sketched at Macy's, New York, has a spacious look, is actually a model of good storage.


For serving: a tea cart
It takes little room ( $36^{\prime \prime} \times 20^{\prime \prime}$ ), has a drop leaf which enlarges it to $36^{\prime \prime} \times 38^{\prime \prime}$, costs $\$ 95$. Accessories, Georg Jensen Inc., Bergdorf Goodman.

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## FURNITURE EY GRAND RAPIDS CHAIR COMPAN



With almost the capacity of a butler's pantry
Silver in top drawers, linen in lower drawers, china, bottles, extra leaves for the dining table are stored in this butler-buffet, 64 " $\times 23$ ", $\$ 535$. Accessories: "Tradition-or else," Schoenfeld, Georg Jensen, Lehmann.


As a bedroom dressing table
Its nine drawers and compact size ( $48^{\prime \prime} \times 20^{\prime \prime}$ ) make this piece particularly useful in a bedroom for cosmetics and gloves, handkerchiefs and all the small things which need to be filed separately for the sake of neatness. $\$ 250$. The accessories are French touched with gilt, from Macy's, New York.


One bureau-buffet replaces two bedroom chests
Better than two separate chests, this bureau takes up only $60^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{\prime \prime}$ and has a bank of small drawers in the center, the lowest doubly deep. Here is ample space for all the clothes a couple does not hang in the closets. It is mahogany, costs $\$ 345$. The bedroom shown is by Macy's, New York.

. . . or a desk in the living room
The dressing table, left, used as a desk, need not be set against a wall, since the back is finished. On it, a silver lamp from Macy's, accessories from Georg Jensen Inc., New York. Directoire armchair, Edward Garratt; rug, James Lees \& Sons. French wall shelf and china, Bergdorf Goodman.


One bedside table for two
Set between black lacquer beds touched with gold ( $\$ 130$ each) the night table ( $20^{\prime \prime} \times 16^{\prime \prime}, \$ 100$ ) has, in addition to its shallow top drawer, a pullout shelf, room for a radio or for books and an extra deep bottom drawer. This gives you space to keep your cosmetics or an electric pad out of sight.

# Don't use horse-and-buggy thinking 

## in planning your garage

WThere to place it: The garage should be an integral part of your house, not a casual afterthought. It should be placed where it works best with your house plan and your site plan. In general, putting it at the front or side of the house is good. It will be convenient to the street and, if you connect garage and house with a roofed passage, you will be sheltered in bad weather. This location can also minimize the length of the driveway you must build, maintain, and keep clear of snow. At the same time, it allows for off-the-street parking without cutting up your whole lot. Your garage can help to screen your house from the street, too, and add privacy, a great boon if you have wide front windows. But be warned, some communities prohibit front garages, or specify how far
they must be set back from the street. A side garage can help to fence off your service yard or screen your house and garden from neighbors. If your lot faces north, placing the garage before or beside the house can give protection and also save the south side for maximum sun, garden and outdoor living. An attached garage, connected to the house by a porch, a covered passage or a service wing, will give decorative lift and won't rob you of any windows and exposures. It often improves the appearance of a small, one-story house (though naturally, it costs more than if one garage wall were a joint wall of the house). A garage built into your basement is possible if you have a sloping lot; it saves extra foundation costs and land, cuts off no exposures. A separate (Continued on page 87)

Plan it for more than car storage



GARAGE AT FRONT screens service wing from street, house and patio from north. Little drive to build, keep up.

Equip it for easy operation
 leaving car. Radio control, electric connections do it.



SNOW-MELTING SYSTEM: No need to shovel snow or ice from your driveway if you install hot water or steam pipes in it. They can be connected to the hot water or steam-heating system in house.


THE harold olsons and daughter Kristine in front of their house

## Living room vs. room for living

This couple's space problem
is so common among young marrieds
that House \& Garden decided to solve it.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Olson live in one of a row of neat little houses in Bayside, Long Island. A low rental (the Olsons are buying their house at the rate of $\$ 75$ a month) repays Mr. Olson for the hour's commuting trip he takes every day to get to and from his office in the architectural firm of Skidmore, Owings \& Merrill. Since Mrs. Olson majored in design at the University of Southern California, she is interested in the looks of her rooms. Her knottiest problem is what to do with the tiny spare room, 8 by 12 feet, which contains two chests, a chair and a box spring and mattress (plan A) that will shortly be
needed in the child's room by their 15 -month-old daughter, Kristine, who is fast outgrowing her crib. Mr. Olson has had his eye on this tiny room for the drafting he often has to do in the evenings (he sometimes does free-lance work). As they have many visitors from the West Coast, where they originally met, they would like to be able to put up an occasional guest. Here is House \& Garden's advice to them (see plan B) : buy a Simmons studio couch that opens out into a double bed. Place it in the near corner to make space for an L-shaped shelf with built-in drafting board whose oblique angle will minimize the room's narrowness. Under this shelf, side by side, fit the pair of chests to form an efficient dressing table with the addition of a wall mirror. Lastly, use a standard filing cabinet as a sofa end table which will hold work papers and keep the room ready for 24 -hour duty. For other space-saving beds which can


A 24 -hour-duty room. Covered in La France's "Satin Stripe," the studio conch costs about $\$ 240$. Mr. Olson, who is expert at home carpentry, can build the shelf himself. The swing-arm Hansen lamp costs $\$ 38$, lights the new dressing table formed by the twin chests and drafting board. African-inspired mask was designed by Mrs. Olson.

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## PLANNING YOUR GARAGE

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garage, at a distance from the house, is usually inconvenient though some sites dictate this arrangement. Located near the highway, with the house back from the main road, it may save driveway and maintenance expense but trudging between house and garage in bad weather is seldom fun. Corner lots give you more location choices. A garage at the rear of a corner lot can be easily accessible from a side street. This is not possible on an inside lot.

How to plan it: The cubic foot cost of garage construction is only about half that of the house. So it is a good idea to make this less costly space large enough to store cars efficiently and other things as well. You can use it for workshop, hobby room. gardener's bench, and extra storage.

The absolute minimum inside space to hold a single small or medium. size car is $9^{1 / 2}$ to 10 feet wide by $181 / 2$ to 19 feet long. This will give you some clearance at the front, back and side of the car, and let you open car doors satisfactorily at one side. For larger cars you need $101 / 2$ to 11 foot width, 22 foot length. You would have to add 2 to 3 feet at sides or back of the garage to build in storage cabinets, work bench and other conveniences.

A two-car garage is the best bet for most households. It should be at least 19 to 20 feet wide inside by 22 feet long to take standard cars and give you enough space to avoid bumping walls and car and to get yourself in and out of the car comfortably. To include storage units and other desirable features, you must make these inside dimensions larger. Automobiles are less than 6 feet high, so a $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 8 foot ceiling is feasible.

We should like to make a special plea for better looking garages, inside and outside. They need not be the catchalls they so often are. With the kind of specifically organized storage we show on page 82 , they can be neat in appearance and easy to keep in order. Garden tools and paraphernalia may be kept in cabinets and closets sized to their exact measure. In this way valuable power mowers and other electrical equipment are better protected. And rakes, hoes, fertilizers, lawn roller, baskets, hose, etc., which litter up the garage so hopelessly are easier to find and to care for. Outdoor furniture, awnings, screens, storm sash, ladders may be safely and inconspicuously stowed away when not in use if they have their own spots. Bicycles, scooters, sleds, skates can be somewhere other than underfoot (and are more likely to be put away) if there is special, marked storage space for them. And there may be special bins set aside for the old magazines you won't throw away, for paints, repair and upkeep equipment. All these things, and many more you have to store, will take up less room in cabinets designed to fit them than you will believe possible if you are accustomed to see them scattered about in the garage.

The exterior of the garage can take considerable improvement, too. If
the garage is in the most convenien location-the front of the house and facing the street-the wide expanse of a blank single or double door can be unattractive and spoil the appearance of the whole house, especially if the door is left open all day. But if the garage roof is extended over it, if trellis, plant beds, and other devices are used to frame a recess of several feet in front of the door, it can be an architectural asset. As our sketch at the top of page 83 shows, this added space can also connect garage to house under cover. There are many good treatments possible which make a feature of the garage front and give it interesting texture and scale with wood and masonry materials.
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Automatic operation of the garage door can be controlled from your car You press a button on your dashboard and the door opens or closes itself. Lights in the garage may be turned on or off as well. No car but yours can control the door because the sending mechanism in your car and the receiving mechanism on the door are tuned to one radio frequency. There are several types of such automatic controls. The radio control just described has a receiving coil located in the driveway over which your car must pass. Another works by electronic impulse within 85 feet of the garage door. Others use a switch beside the drive which the car driver operates from his seat. Still another has an electric eye arrangement.

Hot water or steam pipes installed in your driveway will end forever the chore of shoveling snow or removing ice from it. They can be laid in a solid slab of concrete or in a driveway made up of two narrow tracks for the car to pass over. Such a snow-melting and de-icing system can usually be connected to the regular hot water or steam heating system of your house. Unless your outside driveway is very large your heating plant should take care of it too. Or you can install a separate heating coil for the snow-melting job.


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must be grown from divisions to be true, it takes time to build up a stock. Among the best new sorts available in fair quantity is Crimson Giant, a vivid single often four feet in size. Helen is the best double pink we have tried. A glorious blend is the semidouble Rose Mist, a carmine and silver dusted beauty. All these are hardy

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Purely for shade is the dainty Dicentra formosa Sweetheart. Its typical sprays of pure white bloom till frost on a plant a foot and a half or less in height. Divide it every third spring and don't let it get too dry; peat may be added to its soil. A new favorite will be the hardy Penstemon Rose Elf, a threefoot version of the lanky $P$. barbatus, bearing spikes of clear rose from June to August. Glossy foliage adds to its charm.

Just a few words about Geum, the lovely avens of the strawberry tribe. The richly colored sprays, usually two feet above interesting large leaves, are admired by all, but many gardeners lose their plants every year. If that has been your experience, try Dolly North, orange-yellow; Princess Juliana, yellow: Fire Opal, tawny orange; or Wilton Ruby, dark red. These will stay with you and bloom over a long period.

Dark blue spikes from July until frost appear on Veronica Blue Peter, a stocky 18 -inch form of $V$. spicata. A hybrid of $V$. spicata and the late blooming, dark blue $V$. subsessilis is the new Blue Champion. A sturdy two-and-a-half-foot plant, it blooms both before and after V. subsessilis, from July to October, bearing clear blue flowers on long spikes

Irises and poppies may need a secialist to appraise them properly. To us, iris Great Lakes is a beautiful light blue and the Curtis Giant poppies have a promising future. Lilies also have marvelous new hybrids coming on, especially from Oregon. However, we should mention the Creelman strain of Lilium regale for its later bloom, huge flowers and notable petal texture. L. centigale, a more slender flower than regale, also has fine, leathery petals. A truly hardy Scabiosa from Vermont is the Blue Snowflake pincushion, light blue, long in bloom. Since it will not come true from seed, it will never be over-abundant. Another partial shade lover, Astilbe fanal, has a glowing red spike 18 inches long. The feathery plumes are magnificent in rich moist soils.

Along about July the old hardy Platycodon, or balloon-flower, starts its long season. You can now have it in double flowers almost like gardenias, true to color, in white, shell pink, blue and lavender. Perhaps Bristol Belle, the double lavender, will be the most popular of this trou-ble-free group. Shasta daisies have always been popular, but it seems as if
the more ever-blooming and double they become, the more their hardiness leaves them. Now available, to some extent, is Shasta aglaya, a large, long stemmed, fluffy hybrid of the almos full double Marconi type. It has wintered successfully even north of Rochester, New York.

The vigorous old coneflower, Rudbeckia Golden Glow, which casts its six-inch stems of shaggy yellow over most American farmyards, now has more refined offspring, Golden Globe. The flowers of the latter are more symmetrical, but it will probably be just as invasive. It should prove useful for semi-wild plantings. A non-weedy Rudbeckia is Bright Star, a superior coral-crimson daisy of good size.

Phlox is a summer standby, and the new rich red Charles Curtis promises to become popular. But be sure you get the true variety, as some nurseries are unwittingly selling Spitfire under that name. Spitfire, also sold as Frau Anton von Mauntner, Orange Beauty and Free Netherlands, is also splendid. It is a glorious, non-fading salmon-orange, but hardly the sunset red of Charles Curtis. Purple Heart is a rich, velvety purple phlox, effective in combinations with yellow. Pinkette is a very light pink that is finding increased favor. From Holland comes Mies Copijn, light pink with a red eye. As yet it has not been re-named for American trade.

While not altogether new, Echinops Taplow Blue, a fine new globe thistle, is still rare in gardens. Its large, round flower is bluer and is generally better for cutting or drying than the older forms.

Toward autumn, we see the sneezeweed, Helenium Sunburst, as a good clean yellow, only two-and-a-halffeet tall. Among the new asters we have notably the British group: Peace, a large silvery rose; Plenty, a lovely large light blue; Prosperity, the third member, an undecided pinkish lavender of doubtful beauty and no special merit. A nice dwarf which seldom grows over 18 inches tall is Little Red Boy. about as clear a red as the genus boasts. Very late in the season is Blue Cloud, a medium blue, usually not in bloom until October 15, but frost-hardy.

It was a privilege to see the new anemone, Kriemhilde, last October. It is a beautiful blend of creamy pearlpink, and a lusty grower. The stems were the thickest ever seen on an anemone in this section, and lend character to the plant.

The season usually closes with chrysanthemums, which are now ready in great variety. One of the best is Carnival, a huge double, almost orange in color. Tapestry, also very large, is a pink ashes-of-roses blend, in bloom September 15. The sensational Golden Carpet, a veritable rug of golden pompons, is almost a crawling variety. Pepita is a busy button pompon, opening eggshell yellow, and ending pure white, with a startling red eye. For cushion chrysanthemum lov ers, Red Cloud, with two-and-a-halfinch flowers of velvety crimson-scarlet, looks very promising.

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Another near-casualty of the war was Lilium philippinense Snow Drift. Like the familiar Lilium philippinense (now called L. Formosanum by the botanists), it is easy to grow from seed. Good blooms can be expected in 10 months. It is August-flowering. The color is much whiter than the parent. and as many as 12 long white trumpets are borne on a single stem. The individual flowers are about six inches long. A lily that can be grown from seed solves the problem of disease control. In most areas, the common tiger lily plays Typhoid Mary and infects all other members of its family with mosaic, though the tiger lily itself is resistant. Lilies from seed do not have mosaic, and if they become infected later, can easily be replaced by a new crop from seed.

Mirabilis uniflora may not be a new flower, but rates as a novelty because only a few botanists know it. The flowers are "hose in hose" and are unlike the usual four o'clock bloom. Perhaps "trumpet-in-trumpet" would describe them more accurately since they are long and slender. The color is a bright rose.

Another plant from the wilds, new to all but the botanist, is the sunflower Silver Gold. Under ordinary cultiva-
tion its height is six to seven feet. Its leaves are covered with a whitish down or silvery pubescence. The individual blooms are four to five inches across, and, surprisingly enough, make excel lent cut flowers. I recommend this wherever a tall background plant is needed.

A Scotsman in California has per fected a super large-flowered Scotch viola. In size, quality and color range, it is superb. Violas should be more widely grown; they keep blooming under conditions where pansies stop flowering. With this large-flowered strain you can get the same effect as with pansies, plus longer blooming.

Phlox gigantea Mellow Moon is a lovely thing. The color is that soft shade of primrose yellow which seems to blend with everything, even magenta. Plants are 15 to 18 inches tall, and the individual florets between one and a quarter and one and a half inches.

Offered by one firm in 1948, petunia Fringed White Mound is still new enough to deserve special mention. This is a compact, strong-growing plant that never looks shabby. It is an excellent bedder, destined to supersede all other white petunias for this purpose.

Another petunia of distinction is Silver Medal, named for the silver medal it won in the All America trials, The color is unusual: salmon pink with (Continued on page 93)

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The prairie crab apple, Malus ioensis, is one of the most beautiful flowering trees of the Middle West, lighting up the edges of woodlands. Its double variety, Bechtel, M. ioensis plena, has fragrant flowers like neat little pink roses. This delightful tree has a way of having, whole branches die, or of dying completely, after 10 or 15 years of apparent good health, but it is still worth growing in spite of this.

Red-tip is supposed to be a hybrid of the prairie crab apple, niedzwetzky. ana. It is a charmer, with pink flowers and young leaves tipped red. Flame, a very hardy, slender, upright tree, has pale flowers and loads of bright fruits that seem to indicate an Asiatic strain.

## HOW TO USE THEM

The crab apples can be used in several ways. As small trees for the lawn they cannot be surpassed, and even a small place has room for one or two. They may be used in mixed borders of shrubs and small trees. They may flank a vista into a garden, or be used as points of interest in the garden itself.

The early crab apples open during the last part of April near New York, as the double Japanese cherries are
fading, blooming with the late daffodils, with bleeding hearts, early tulips, early dwarf iris, ajuga, Polemonium reptans, Viburnum carlesi, and Azalea vaseyi and A. schlippenbachi. They combine well with all these, except early tulips in bright scarlet or orange. The late apples bloom with the long-lasting bleeding hearts, late tulips, flowering almonds, dogwoods, lilacs, early deutzias, mertensia and Phlox divaricata.

The clear pink crab apples are best kept away from Japanese maples and pink dogwood. Their spring delicacy is eclipsed by the harsh coloring of the maples, and does not harmonize with the salmon pink of the opening dog. woods. They look well with tender young green foliage, and with the dark of evergreens. They are best with clear flower colors. Deep blue-violet, such as comes in some dwarf iris and pansies, is an excellent touch at their feet. Their airy delicacy makes a wonderful contrast with the smoother and more dignified tulips in shades of pink, rose, purple, light yellow and white.

The purple-leaved varieties need lighter companions such as Malus floribunda and others with white or pale pink flowers. They should be kept away from forsythia, especially $F$. spectabilis, which is a brassy yellow. Some of the soft-blended breeder tulips look effective with their foliage.

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either spring or fall except in the colder regions where spring planting is best. Small sizes, three to five feet, may be planted with bare roots, but larger specimens must be moved with a ball of earth. They need but little pruning. Crossed branches must be removed from time to time, and long growth may be headed in to make a balanced, formal-looking plant.

## HOW TO CONTROL PESTS

These small trees are subject to the same pests as other apples. Scale insects are controlled with a dormant
spray of miscible oil. Tent caterpillars may invade, and should not be burned out, but the nest wiped out with a kero-sene-soaked rag on a stick at dusk when the caterpillars are at home. The American apples are subject to fire blight. Dying branches should be promptly removed and burned. Cedar rust may also attack American varieties, blotching the leaves brown in summer. A colloidal sulfur spray is recommended for this, used several times starting in early spring. However, many flowering apples flourish for years without any spraying at all.


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in planting so as to need no thinning after germination. Theoretically a perfect environment for the seed can be created by incorporating various chemicals in the coating material, such as fungicides, plant hormones, plant foods, etc. In practice, several crops have benefited by pelleting. In the case of beets, for instance, it has enabled growers to section the compound fruit ordinarily planted as a seed. This single seed produces only one plant instead of the usual cluster of crowded seedlings. Thinning has been eliminated and weeding simplified. Tomatoes, too, are improved by pelleting.

Other experimental plantings, however, have not been nearly so successful. The vegetable specialist for the important Belle Glade Station in Florida, for instance, told me that lettuce and endive plantings were total failures. Lettuce seed held on his desk for a week took up enough moisture to destroy germination even before planting.

What, then, can the amateur expect from pelleting?

For the time being, not much. Perhaps direct-sown tomato seed is the most promising. But few amateurs di-rect-sow: most of them want to use transplants. Tests I saw at Michigan State College show that germination in the flat when seed is sown indoors is not improved by pelleting. In fact, practically every test showed lower germination for pelleted seed. Beet seed, if single "sectioned" seeds are pelleted,
might be a possibility. Carrots, too, always miserable to thin, ought to be given a trial. For the rest of the list of vegetable crops, however, we can only render the decision of the old Scottish courts, "Not proven!"

In the field of fungicides, tremendous progress has been made, both for seed treatment and for spraying plants. Some of these are so much better than old-time materials that sulfur, Bordeaux and lime-sulfur are all but obsolete. Not only do these newer products give better control, but they are less drastic in their effects on plants.

This improvement has not. however, been pure gain. Most of these newer materials prove to be highly specific. They will wipe out one disease, but not touch a similar disease on the same plant.

For this reason, I suggest a talk with your seedsman before the spring rush begins, to find out more about these new materials. You will learn that these are not universal cure-alls to be used indiscriminately on the entire garden. But when used on recommended species for listed diseases, they do look significant and useful.

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Last summer saw extensive trials of the idea of pre-emergence spraying (mostly on corn) to kill weed seedlings as they emerge from the soil. In the Middle West, we learned what wouldn't work. At corn planting time, the weather was dry and it stayed dry for four weeks afterwards. We got no control at all: treated fields were just as weedy as the untreated. In other sections, some fields were never touched with the hoe or cultivator all season, yet remained weed-free. Others needed to be touched up with a cultivator after the effects of early sprays wore off, but the labor needed to grow an acre of corn was cut substantially.

The present status of pre-emergence spraying is probably that of a promising experiment which calls for plenty of additional work to solve important problems.

Weed killers other than 2,4-D show real progress. Amateurs, on reading about this, have rushed to their seedsmen to demand these newer weed controls (the majority of them are petroleum products).

Knowing the home gardener and his problems, however, my suggestion would be to forget the whole idea. In spite of what the commercial grower thinks, problems of the amateur are tough. For one thing, he cannot select the time to spray his plots. If one week end happens to be rainy, he may lose his chance on a certain crop. Timing is all-important with these weed killers: two days may make the difference be-
tween success and failure. So is dosage too much is as fatal as not enough.

Tremendous progress has been made in the insecticide field. Ever since the discovery of DDT set off the race to discover new bug killers, we have been bewildered by the introduction of product after product, each making its precursor obsolete.

This richness of new materials has not solved all our problems, however. There is the question of selectivity, for instance. DDT kills the codling moth on apple trees, but also destroys the enemies of the red mite, which DDT does not touch. Hence red mites build up to tremendous proportions and do more damage than the codling moth.

In an attempt to solve this, some manufacturers have brought out "shotgun" mixtures, containing several of these new preparations, designed control all ills to which plants are heir, whether fungic, entomological or physiological. But the use of these general mixtures does mean a waste of most of the ingredients they contain (at some time or other) and it also means inadequate control if real trouble does develop.

Personally, I would prefer to learn more about the right stuff to use. An excellent example of what I mean is Chlordane. For specific insects, it is nothing short of marvelous. On grasshoppers and crickets, for instance, it is perfect. We now consider it routine to rush a ton or two of Chlordane to any (Continued on page 99)

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area where these two pests get out of hand. If grasshoppers and crickets are your problem, investigate Chlordane.

Another problem, and one that affects more gardeners, is that of 'ants. Here again Chlordane is practically a specific, provided a $10 \%$ dust is used. Weaker concentrations don't seem to work on ants.

Of interest because it affects the price of practically everything we wear is Chlordane's effect on the cotton boll weevil. It is perhaps the most efficacious measure against this economically important pest. Chlordane is about as toxic as DDT and calls for the same precautions when using.

Curiously, Parathion, the newest of the wonder insect destroyers, seems to work on every economic insect knownexcept the boll weevil. Here we have an insecticide so powerful and so effective that everyone who has heard about it looks forward to trying it. But so far, it has not been released for general use. Orchardists and greenhouse operators are mad about it.

Unfortunately, we don't know enough about its effect on man and on animals to release it to everyone. It is supposed to cause liver damage of a type not easily detected. A gardener might do himself fatal harm, without knowing what was happening to him, until too late to save his life. Perhaps this danger, as real as some think it is, can be eliminated, and this most powerful of all insecticides made safe for general use. In the meanwhile, don't
fret because Parathion can't be had at your local source of supply. And don't buy it from florists' supply houses (where it is sold for restricted use) to apply to your vegetable or flower garden. Wait until authorities consider it safe for general release.

From a safety angle, another relative of DDT, called Methoxychlor, looks like the answer. It is $1 / 100$ as toxic as DDT, which makes it even safer than many insecticides we now consider innocuous. Methoxychlor excels in another way: it has quick "knock-down." Insects hit by it drop immediately.

Unfortunately, it is pretty specific, but it does kill some tough customers. Among them are the Colorado potato beetle, Japanese beetle, cucumber beetles, codling moth (though not as well as DDT) and a number of others. Keep an eye on Methoxychlor: if beetles invade your garden check and see if it will kill them. Since it is less toxic than any comparable effective spray or dust, it should be given preference on all food products.

Another new material, TEPP, shows how hard it is to keep a miracle miraculous. One of the bits of war booty the Army picked up in Germany was a formula for a new and potent insecticide, Hexaethyl tetraphosphate, called HEPT for short. It proved highly effective against aphids, red spider, white fly and mealy bug, pests which are not ordinarily affected by DDT. But HEPT proved erratic in performance, (Continued on page 100)

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Upper right photograph.
Callaway "Corsage" bath towel, 24 " x $48^{\prime \prime}, \$ 2.50$, bath rug, $27^{\prime \prime}$ x $48^{\prime \prime}, \$ 8$ at Neiman-Marcus, Dallas, Texas. Utica "Beauticale" scalloped sheet, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 108^{\prime \prime}, \$ 4.95$ each, Stern Bros., New York.
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Tuvaché "Perfumed Air Mist" Old Fashioned Garden fragrance, $\$ 3$ including sprayer at Lord \& Taylor, New York.
Lower left photograph.
Chatham "Lamsdown" all-wool blanket, satin binding, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 19$. Comforter, sprig pattern chintz with reverse side in emerald satin, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 84^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 28$, both at McCutcheon's, New York. Pepperell "Peeress" percale sheet, 72 " x 108", $\$ 17$ set (including two sheets, two pillowcases), Lord \& Taylor, New York.
Lenthéric blanket sachet, Shanghai fragrance, $\$ 5$ each, Marshall Field \& Co., Chicago.
Bottom photograph.
Fieldcrest thermostatic electric wool and cotton blanket, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 42.95$ at Marshall Field \& Co., Chicago.
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Baby pillow, $12^{\prime \prime} \times 16^{\prime \prime}, \$ 4.50$, white linen cover, embroidered verse, $\$ 7.50$ at Schoenfeld Linens, New York.
Lower right photograph.
St. Marys "Lamar" wool blanket, 80 " x $90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 28$ at Rich's, Atlanta, Georgia. Cyrus Clark "Violet Border" chintz fabric, $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 1.65$ yard, at Carson Pirie Scott, Chicago, Illinois.
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"In the dining room the peacock curtains are drawn; the curtains formerly are a dark green but Selina changes them when the craze for changes comes, when she is given to wearing trailing dresses of olive green and pale blue . . . there is a smell of old flowers and coal and of wax polish and, from the sideboard, of wine spilt on wood.

"Someone has tried to turn the [nursery] into a bedroom. There are rugs put down on the carpet, newer rugs, and the dressing table has been looped into skirts, white muslin ones tied with ribbons that are faded and frayed . . . there is also a writing case . . . a piece of blotting paper that still bears the upside-down imprint of a letter."

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hot buttered rum. Place cinnamon, 1 lump sugar, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ oz. Jamaica rum in a mug. Hold above it a pat of butter in a pierced spoon and dribble boiling water through it till butter is emulsified and mug filled. Silver pot, S. Wyler; Crown Derby mugs, Plummer, Ltd.; Dagger Punch dark Jamaica rum, Schieffelin \& Co.


EGGNOG. Into 12 well-beaten egg yolks whip 8 tbsps. sugar and, slowly, 1 qt. Bourbon and 1 pt. dark rum. Stand in a cool place for several hours to blend. Before serving add following mixture, beaten smooth: 12 stiff egg whites, 1 qt . whipped cream, 2 qts. rich milk. Serves 12 to 15 . Silver bowl, cups, sugar caster, Fisher Silversmiths; Kentucky Tavern straight Bourbon, Glenmore Distillers.


Champagne punch. To 3 parts champagne, add 1 part light rum and a dash of Curaçao. Pour over block of ice set in a chilled punch bowl, garnish with orange peel. Cut crystal bowl and glasses from Plummer, Ltd.; Taylor's New York State champagne, Taylor Wine Co.; Wray \& Nephew's Three Dagger Jamaica rum, Schieffelin \& Co. All clocks shown in these pictures courtesy Georg Jensen, Inc.

brandy punch. Add enough sugar to the juice of 4 oranges and 15 lemons to neutralize sourness. Place in punch bowl with large block of ice and pour over 2 qts. brandy, 4 oz . Curaçao and $\mathrm{l}^{1} / 2 \mathrm{oz}$. grenadine. Before serving, add a qt. of iced soda water. Serves 15 . Bowl and goblet, Fisher Silversmiths; Remy Martin cognac, Renfield Importers; Garnier orange Curaçao, Julius Wile \& Sons.


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## LINEN CLOSET CUES

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SHELF WIDTHS DETERMINED BY USE


When you set out to check your household inventory on January 1, take with you the picture of the closet on page 63. You will find it an accurate guide to the amount of linen as well as to the linen storage space a four-bed household requires. The closet is $8^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ high, $5^{\prime}$ wide, $24^{\prime \prime}$ deep. You can build it yourself out of: five shelves 2 ' x $5^{\prime}$, three shelves $10^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime}$, one shelf $5^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime}$, one shelf (which runs only half the width of the closet) $4^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$. Brackets to support shelves lock into a $3 / 4$ " steel track attached to wall (by means of screws and rawl plugs or toggle bolts) and can be set at any height. The tracks may be ordered in lengths up to six feet; can be safely attached to plaster walls or to any wall that has a hollow construction. They may be mounted on the surface of the wall, in which case the plywood shelves will have to be cut where they fit around the track; or may channel into the wall so that they are flush. You can order the track and brackets, below, directly from Garcy Hardware Company, 600 Broadway, New York 12, N. Y.

The measurements of this closet are governed by two considerations: the average woman's $72^{\prime \prime}$ by $48^{\prime \prime}$ reach and the standard size to which laundries fold bed and bath linen. For instance, a single sheet folds into a $10^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{x}$ $24^{\prime \prime}$ oblong and 12 of them (or 6 double sheets) can be stacked in a space a foot high. Large and small bath towels fold to a width of $9^{\prime \prime}$ and $10^{\prime \prime}$ respectively. As a result, our three middle shelves are exactly $10^{\prime \prime}$ deep, making stacking easy, obviating inaccessible back piles. At middle reach is the white linen in daily use, above it the half dozens of monogrammed or colored linens you want your guests to enjoy (note how the 6 guest pilloweases are on a shelf just deep enough to hold them, and no more). The two top shelves and the three bottom ones are

$24^{\prime \prime}$ deep and proportionately higher to hold large storage containers. On the uppermost two are out-of-season items in quilted taffeta bags by Kerk Guild (price $\$ 2.50$ apiece) and transparent plastic Duranol blanket boxes (price $\$ 6.95$ each). The two bottom shelves are for occasionally-used things such as extra pillows, bed pads, comforters, blanket covers, also kept in Kerk containers. Important in this closet are the two cosmetic shelves which hold two heights of jar or bottle in full view and easy reach. Strips of flexible mirror are used as shelf edging (they come in rolls measuring $71 / 2^{\prime}$ long, costing $\$ 2$ each, backed with adhesive and ready to press onto the shelf); sheets of flexible mirror are used on the wall above the top shelf to reflect its contents; both by L. \& S. Mirror Manufacturing Corp. The closet and all its contents are at Macy's, New York.

## LINEN CHECK LIST

Here are the basic bed and bath linens required by one person. Multiply the amounts given by the number of members in your family.

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\begin{array}{ll}
6 \text { sheets } & 6 \text { hand towels } \\
6 \text { pilloweases } & 6 \text { washcloths } \\
2 \text { mattress pads } & 2 \text { bath mats } \\
6 \text { bath towels } & 1 \text { bath rug }
\end{array}
$$

After buying the basic needs listed above, you may want to include more of the sheets and cases in special colors such as you saw on page 63 , perhaps with white borders printed in field flowers, with arabesques to match your blanket colors or with borders of embroidered scallops. The new monograms, discreetly understated on bed linens, make bold color blocks in the bathroom. Note that that long-lost luxury, the bath sheet, is back again for the first time since the war, and in wonderful modern colors.


BRACKETS which support shelves come in 13 sizes, up to $24^{\prime \prime}$. Those used in our closet: twelve $24^{\prime \prime}$ brackets, ea. $\$ 2.52$; nine $10^{\prime \prime}$ brackets, ea. $\$ 1.13$; three $5^{\prime \prime}$ brackets, ea. 75 c ; two $4^{\prime \prime}$ brackets, ea. 75 c ; plus three $\% / 4$ " tracks, ea. $6^{\prime}$, ea. \$1.80. Total hardware amounts to $\$ 49.56$.


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## BUILDING DATA

foundation : Fieldstone walls; cellar floor- $3^{\prime \prime}$ concrete on gravel; damp-proofing on outside wall
exterior walls: Vertical redwood siding, asphalt feltThe Barrett Division, Allied Chemical \& Dye Corp.; fir boarding, $2^{\prime \prime} \times 4^{\prime \prime}$ studs, rock lath-United States Gypsum Co.; plaster-National Gypsum Co.
roof: Fir boarding and joists, strapping, covered with 5 ply, 20-year-Bond roofingThe Barrett Division, Allied Chemical \& Dye Corp.
insulation: Outside walls and roof-Samuel Cabot, Inc.; weather stripping-Athey Shade Co.; sound insulation in living room, acoustical plaster - California Stucco Co.

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ceilings: Fir joists, strapping, metal lath plaster- Na tional Gypsum Co.
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Here is more information on mantels and fireplace equipment, pages 68-69.
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Upper photograph
Modern oak mantel with pickled finish, $\$ 195$, Virginia greenstone facing, $\$ 80$. Brass and black fireplace set, $\$ 95$. Scroll andirons, $\$ 125$ pair. All from William H. Jackson Co.
Accessories: Shadow boxes (upper left to right), "Are du Carousel," \$80; "Vue de la Façade du Temple de la Gloire," \$65; "Are de Triomphe de l'Etoile," \$75. Shadow boxes (center left to right), with hunting figures, $\$ 65$; brass military button, $\$ 25$; military theme. $\$ 175$; flags, $\$ 40$. Soldier (lower left to right), $\$ 175$; brass torch appliqué, $\$ 35$; "Place Vendôme," \$125. Reed \& Stevenson Inc. Lower photograph
French Provincial walnut mantel, \$425 Three Antique brass tools, $\$ 80$. French Provincial brass andirons, $\$ 70$ pair. Brass fender, 42", \$75. Antique iron back plate, $\$ 75$. All from William H. Jackson Co.
Accessories: Barometer, $\$ 375$; carved wood plaques, $\$ 395$ pair; bronze busts, $\$ 185$ pair, Reed \& Stevenson Inc. Old Vienna porcelain bowl and plate, $\$ 135$, Alfred Orlik, Inc.

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Upper photograph
Early American antique pine mantel, $\$ 250$. Antique tongs and shovel, $\$ 50$. Antique brass andirons, \$95. Fender screen, $38^{\prime \prime} \times 31^{\prime \prime}, \$ 45$. Tôle wood box, \$75. All from William H. Jackson Co. Provincial armchair with checked seat pad, $\$ 750$ pair, James Amster. Wallpaper by Imperial, $\$ 2$ roll.
Accessories: "Rooster" painting by Ben Zion, $\$ 800$ framed, Bertha Schaefer Galleries. Antique Delft covered jars, $\$ 250$ pair; antique Nankin saucers on Chinese walnut stands, $\$ 16$ each, Hadleigh, Inc. Bronze eagle on marble base, \$15, Reed \& Stevenson Inc
Center right photograph
Federal cherry and burl maple mantel, $\$ 165$. Antique brass tongs and shovel, \$75. Antique Franklin stove, $\$ 175$. Brass coal bucket, \$115, from Edwin Jackson Inc.
Mahogany chair with green upholstered seat, $\$ 450$, James Amster.
Wall covering by Varlar, "Ravenna," marbleized, 15 c per sq. ft .
Accessories: Walnut plaques (only one shown) with bronze heads, $\$ 785$ pair; bronze figures on wood stands, $\$ 135$ pair; brass torch appliqué in shadow box, $\$ 35$, Reed \& Stevenson Inc. Lower photograph
Chinoiserie mantel, 18th-century, $\$ 350$. Chinesé Chippendale andirons, $\$ 195$. Brass brazier, \$175. Lacework brass fender, $\$ 225$. Antique brass poker and tongs, $\$ 35$, from Edwin Jackson, Inc. Accessories: Four carved wood figurines representing the seasons, $\$ 1,000$, carved plaque, $\$ 125$, Reed \& Stevenson Inc.

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"Everything for the Garden" tells how, where and what to plant, describes new varieties, colors, garden equipment. You'll be interested in the Henderson collection of annuals which includes larkspur, carnation, zinnia, aster, marigold and several other favorites. Planting instructions are given. 25 c . Peter Henderson \& Co., 36 Henderson Bldg. 35 Cortlandt St., New York 7, N. Y.

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A Seed Catalog spotlights tuberous begonias. These exotic camellia-flowered plants thrive equally well in your house or garden. Plant details describe them as having large double blooms, all colors mixed. Marigolds, petunias, lilies and zinnias are among other garden favorites pictured, and outstanding vegetable selections are listed. W. Atlee Burpee Co., 390 Burpee Bldg.. Philadelphia 32, Pa.

Rose Book guides you to the AllAmerica Prize Winners, popular roses, hybrid teas, floribundas and climbers. Horticultural suggestions, devoted not only to roses, describe planting and care of delphiniums, phlox, lilacs. Jackson \& Perkins Co., 435 Rose Lane, Newark, New York.

Bulb and Plant Catalog has a variety of garden subjects for spring planting. Described are gladiolus, dahlias, begonias, lilacs, irises, perennials. Color photographs point out the beauty of lovely gardens, show hybrid roses and highlight well-remembered garden favorites. Flowerfield Bulb Farm, Dept. 11, Flowerfield, L. I., New York.

A Horticultural Book-Catalog is arranged for easy reference. Its index guides you to pages of roses, lilacs, gladiolus, tulips, hyacinths, crocuses, irises, an outstanding flowering shrub section. Plant charts are elaborated by color photographs. Cultural notes are a boon to the amateur and an easy reference for the experienced gardener. 50 c . Wayside Gardens, HG 1, 30 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio.

The Armstrong Book contains a plant guide for varying climates and a list of supplies designed to produce a healthy and thoroughly satisfying garden. Citrus, fruit and nut trees, berries and vegetables compose the horticultural lists. Champion roses-FortyNiner, Tallyho and Taffeta-camellias, shrubs, vines and perennials appear.


Armstrong Nurseries, 409 No. Lemon Ave., Ontario, California.

Vegetable and Flower Seeds, instruction notes, indoor gardening and transplanting, are written up in a new catalog. A chart tells when to plant and acquaints you with both Latin and common plant names. New vegetable developments are described. FerryMorse Seed Co., HG 1. Detroit 31.

Vigoro Plant Food, Endo Pest and Endo Weed, respectively, develop healthy plants, provide a garden defense and kill lawn weeds. Section on Vigoro plant food, for lawns and gardens, contains a gardening chart which gives instructions on use. Swift \& Co., Plant Food Div., HG 1, Union Stock Yards, Chicago 9, Ill.
"Gardening Illustrated." Flowers, vegetables, depicted in full color, can become an actuality if you follow the cultural notes in the booklet. Gladiolus, roses, morning-glories and newer vegetables comprise an interesting collection. Of special interest is the giant tree tomato, which produces heavily, and consists of potato-leaved plants. Vaughan's Seed Store, Dept. 81, 10 W. Randolph Street, Chicago 6, Illineis.
"First Aid to Starving Trees" is an interesting little booklet prepared by the Davey Tree Expert Co. A series of photographs indicates such tree hazards as packed soil, building construction, city streets, and the text enumerates the signs of tree starvation. Davey Tree Food, a scientifically balanced ration, is described. This food, derived from the Davey Research Department, is particularly high in nitrogen, can now be applied by home owners. Tree feeding and watering methods are described in an effort to acquaint home owners with the facts of tree protection and conservation. Davey Tree Expert Co., HG 1, Kent, Ohio.
"Gifts From Your Garden" is a free booklet which contains recipes from many parts of the world. Centered around the vegetables you can grow in your garden, the recipes are simple to follow, nutritious. A second booklet, "Lovely Lawns," describes the making and maintenance of lawns. Chapters on soil, seed watering and repairs will help you to select and plant grass seed. Illustrations and plant suggestions show the various types of seed to plant for specific results. Associated Seed Growers, Inc., HG 1, New Haven 2, Connecticut.

## Decorating

"The Story of Pacific Sheets" tells how these firm cotton sheets are made, and illustrations acquaint you with the mechanics behind the scenes. Grades of Pacific balanced sheets are given, and a chart will help you decide upon
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"What Goes with What?" contains a planning sheet on which to record data about your rooms. Five decorating steps are listed with an eye to overall room arrangement. Rug colors are shown and applied in color sketches of various rooms, and there is a special section on carpet care. 25 c to Anne Mason, HG 1, James Lees \& Sons Co., Bridgeport, Pennsylvania.
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## Heating

An Equipment Publication pictures heating, winter air-conditioning and plumbing for every type of house. Hand-fired or automatic equipment can be used with varied types of architecture. Bathroom plumbing fixtures are illustrated in color. American Radiator \& Standard Sanitary Corp., HG 1, P. O. Box 1226, Pittsburgh, Penna.

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Textbook for consumers and technicians is "Automatic Control of Radiant Panel Heating." The theory of controls for panel heating is the subject of the first part of the book. Functions, requirements and mathematics of heating are discussed. The later chapters deal with application of controls-elec-
trical and pneumatic-to panel heating. \$1. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, HG 1, Minneapolis.
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"Seven Steps to Indoor Comfort" provides a new slant on heating. The premise is that we constantly seek a Utopian region of favorable weather, which can be discovered within the walls of our houses. Using air as a source of heat or coolness, the seven steps elaborate such topics as humidity, circulation, cleanliness, freshness. purity, supply. Practical aspects of conditioned air are discussed. National Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Association, HG 1. 145 Public Square. Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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