

### Transplanting Trees Not Difficult

Many people have seen a large well-shaped tree growing and wished it was near their home. Few people realize these trees may be moved with ordinary tools quite satisfactorily and easily. Deciduous trees, those that drop their leaves, may be moved any time while dormant. It is preferable to move evergreens in the late fall or early winter though they may be moved as late as May.

The first step in moving a large tree is to learn something of the root system if possible. That is, find out whether it is a tree with a tap root or one with surface roots. The size of the ball of dirt to be left around the roots of the tree will depend on this fact. A ball four feet across and two feet thick would be about right for a tree 12 feet high with medium root spread. If the tree is of the tap root type the ball would want to be much deeper and not so wide.

In starting to move a tree dig a trench around sufficiently large for a man to work in without being cramped in movement. If the tree is small the ball of dirt left can be round but if large it is easier to handle if the ball is square. When the trench is of the necessary depth, box up the ball of dirt, build a sort of flower pot around the roots. Burlap tied securely for small trees is satisfactory. Next under cut the roots but do not attempt to rock the tree until every root is cut, otherwise the ball will break and much of the dirt will be lost. After all the roots are cut, tip the tree and nail some boards across the bottom and then the tree is ready to be moved.

To get the tree out of its hole a runway to pull it over is good, though a tripod and block and tackle can be used instead. If the tree is to be moved but a short distance it can be drawn along with a team but it is better to use a stone-boat or very low wagon. The stone-boat can be slipped under the tipped tree and the tree worked on by the use of a block and tackle. Fasten the tree securely to the stone-boat in an upright position.

Planting a tree is nearly a reverse of digging it up. A hole is dug at least two feet larger than the ball of dirt. The bottom is then filled with good top soil. The tree then can be pulled down the runway and the boards taken off only after the tree is in its final position. Fill the hole, tamping the dirt. When the hole is two-thirds full plenty of water is poured in. After this has settled finish filling the hole. When the tree is completely planted it is best left slightly lower in the ground than it was originally. Deciduous trees need to be well pruned, though more than the main trunk may be left. Evergreens need not be pruned.

### Why "No Hunting" Signs Multiply

If you'll make inquiry of most any Lebanon hunter he will tell you that "no hunting" and "posted" signs are thicker in this state than ever before, and that each year sees an increase in their number. But if he is a good hunter, and a real sportsman, he will not censure the land owners for erecting such signs. On the other hand he will tell you that careless hunters, those accustomed to disregarding the property of others, are really to blame. It was their unnecessary destruction of property, and their discourtesy and greediness that brought the "no hunting" signs in increasing numbers. Careless shooting when livestock is around, tramping down crops, breaking down fences or leaving open gates made these signs necessary, though it has worked a hardship on courteous, careful and gentlemanly hunters. That's the reason—and it's about the only reason—for the "no hunting" sign. It is just a little more evidence that some people are never satisfied until they "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."—Lebanon Express.

## The American Red Cross



### All Kinds of Fools

Someone signing the name of L. E. Whiting to a communication to the Oregonian describes the criminal carelessness of some automobile drivers as follows:

The drunken auto driver is undoubtedly a potential murderer, but not the only one. Many drivers in whatever state of normal intelligence they may possess, are as dangerous to the motoring public as the drunken driver. Just to cite three of many: The driver who fails to give the correct signal when turning to the left, right or stopping. It is habitual with most drivers today to make the left hand turn first, then when the following machine is about to strike them, languidly put out their arm. Too late! The damage has already occurred.

Second, the driver who gives the wrong signal. Practically everyone understands what the correct signals are, yet most drivers apparently imagine all they have to do is to make some sort of signal and that it will be sufficient. For instance, in turning to the right the average driver puts his left arm out in a horizontal position. The following driver, thinking of course that the leading machine will turn to the left, naturally turns to the right of it, and again we have a collision.

Regardless of the fact that the state legislature has provided for but one arm signal, any sensible person would indicate in making that signal just what they are going to do.

Third, the driver who habitually follows just to the rear and right of a street car, block after block, preventing anyone who wishes from passing and not having the nerve or inclination to pass himself and get out of the way. He is our most detested road hog. These violations of the traffic code and the amenities of driving should be dealt with as severely as the drunken driver, for the writer has seen many accidents due to these violations. Every driver who thus violates the traffic rules and rules of common courtesy is a potential murderer.

### Home Pointers

Lettuce may be kept fresh by washing, placing in a covered tin and storing it in the ice box.

Catsup will flow freely from a newly opened bottle if a case knife is inserted at the side of the neck.

Fruit juices may be canned or bottled without sugar when left over, and used later as needed by combining with gelatine. Leftover fruit juices may also be used in punches.

Stale crackers may be made crisp by placing them in the oven a few minutes.

A pinch of baking soda added to any boiled syrup will keep it from crystallizing. A teaspoon of vinegar added to home-made sirup will keep it from candying after it stands.

When making desserts or salads with gelatine, if they are wanted in haste place mold containing them in a bowl with broken ice mixed with some coarse salt.

To brown pies and tarts, use a small pastry brush and brush them with milk before putting them in the oven. To glaze pies, brush them with the white of an egg if you wish them to be a shiny brown.

Bread wrapped in a cloth absorbs moisture and imparts an unpleasant taste.

### Assessed Valuation of State

The state tax commission for 1928 has received from Earl Fisher, state tax commissioner, a statement of the assessed valuation of property in Oregon, exclusive of the public utilities. The amount reaches \$946,826,736, which is less by \$7,132,310 than the 1927 valuation, but is explained by Mr. Fisher as being caused by the loss of national bank stock from the tax rolls.

### Back to Babyhood

A bed that rocks its occupants to sleep, like a baby in a cradle, has been invented in England, to cure insomnia. The movements are arranged to occur at the rate of 80 per minute and are three-eighths to three-quarters of an inch in range.

Debs Hatch, 86, of Fond Du Lac, tends a garden by day and embroiders at night. He has done more than 400 pieces in colors.

### Mythological Hero

Orpheus was a legendary poet and musician of ancient Greece, famed for his mastery of the lyre, which he received from Apollo. He accompanied the Argonauts in their search for the Golden fleece.

Mrs. Jane Mandeville of Port Crane, N. Y., cast her first vote on her 99th birthday, thereby laying claim to being the oldest new voter in the country.

### Actors' Gathering Place

The green room is a room near the stage of a theater in which the actors await the cue to appear on the stage and take their parts in the play. The room is so called from green having been originally the prevailing color in its decoration and upholstery.

Moving into a new location, a Canton, O., butcher failed to remove an old sign bearing the words "Leather Shop."

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Papyrus is a kind of rush reaching sometimes to a height of 10 feet, found in marshy districts of Abyssinia, Palestine, and Sicily. In Egypt, where it is now rare, it once supplied the paper used for priestly writings. Up to the tenth century Egypt was the main source of Europe's supply of paper.

### Profit by Past Errors

Never regret a mistake or waste time thinking about how sorry you are you made one. Make a decision then act. If you are wrong, admit your mistake or error; then go ahead and do the right thing as you see it. Never bluff or try to cover up your mistakes. Mistakes profit you if you profit by them.—Charles M. Schwab.

### Flag Custom Old

The origin of the custom of raising the flag at sunrise and lowering it at sunset is obscure. Such practice has been followed since such emblems have been used. Pirate ships seem to have observed the custom, showing the beginning and closing of their "working" day.

### Deceptive Moon

The moon's halo is deceptive, and no wise man judges tomorrow's weather by it. Although the halo often appears before a storm, the storm does not wait for the halo and frequently comes unannounced. There are such things as "clearing" halos, when the halos precede good weather. As some one has observed, "You can only really know it's raining when it's wet."

### Sport of Bowling

Bowling on alleys seems to have been derived from the old game of skittles, which in turn probably developed from the still older game of bowls. It has its greatest vogue in the United States, where its popularity has increased very rapidly, especially since the latter part of the last century. The first record of a game in America was on January 1, 1843, in New York city.

### Brain a Rapid Worker

Assuming you began to think consciously at the age of five, then at thirty, if you have done an average amount of thinking, your "impressions" would number about 1,320,000,000. Those whose work is entirely mental would double those figures.

### Birds That Are Valuable

The biological survey says that during the breeding season a great many birds eat caterpillars, which they feed in large numbers to their young. The hairy caterpillars are not relished by many birds, the most conspicuous exception being the cuckoo. The yellow-billed and the black-billed cuckoo are notorious destroyers of the hairless caterpillar.



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