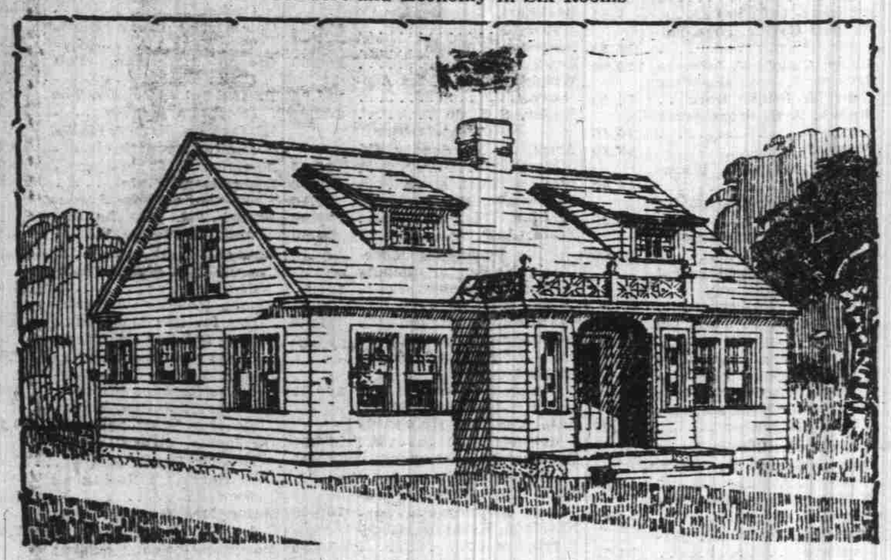
Conlonial Cottage Proves Popular

Comfort and Economy in Six Rooms



THE colonial type cottage makes a strong appeal with the home-builders of average means, when economy of funds must combine with comfort and good taste. The accompanying design unites these elements in a pleasing design that has proved popular with many builders during the 1924 season.

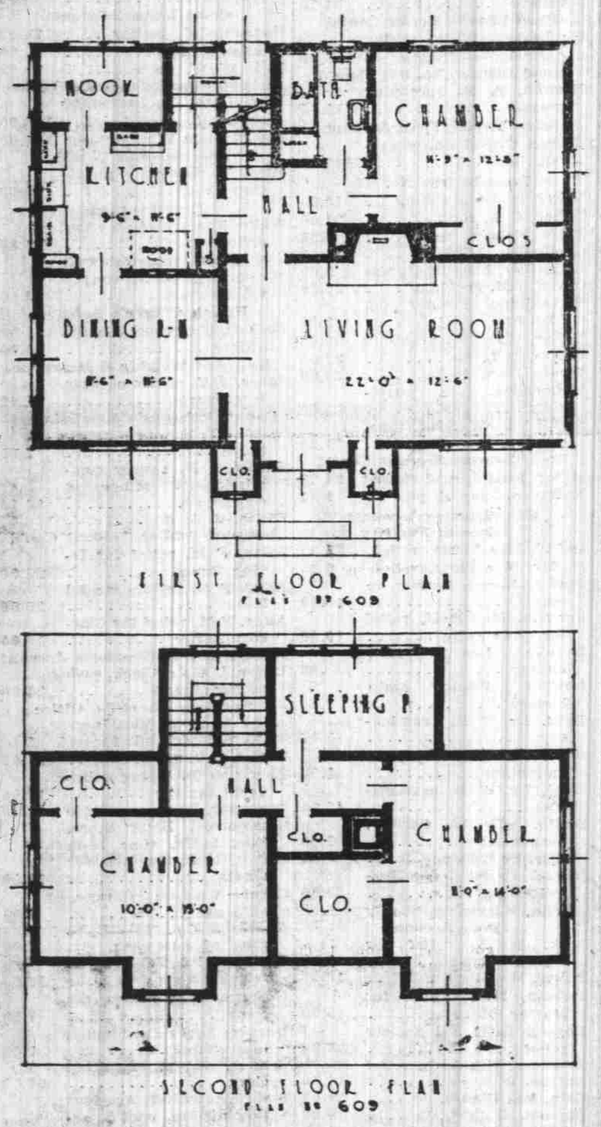
Treatment of the entryway is excellent and the two coat closets are a convenience which will be appreciated by the house keeper. The railing along the top of the porch adds an ornamental touch to the front facade and the two dormer windows fit pleasingly into the design. Wall painting will add materially to the exterior appearance.

The ground floor is nicely portioned and the position of the fireplace will compensate in extra heat for the space occupied. The living room is of ample size and well lighted. Arrangement of the dining room and kitchen is ideal.

The downstairs chamber is large enough for ordinary use and its windows afford cross ventilation. The central hall ties in all the rooms on the ground floor and a stairway leads to the upper story. The upstairs bedrooms are of excellent dimensions and well supplied with light, ventilation and closet space.

The sleeping porch shown in the plan is located directly above the bath room and if the owner desires this space may be easily altered for use as an upstairs bathroom.

Cost of this house should be well within the means of the average family.



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SALEM TENT AND AWNING COMPANY

New Factory for the Capital City, to Be Ready for Business April 15

The Salem Tent and Awning company, with a new line of manufacturing for Salem, will be ready for business on the 15th of April, at 729 North Liberty street. There will be made here tents and awnings and canvas goods of all descriptions. Everything will be made to order.

Frank Monner will be the man behind the new factory, and he will be assisted by Mrs. Monner and a son and daughter, all of whom are experienced in this line of work.

The Monners will bring six children with them. There would be eight, but for the fact that two have married and made homes of their own. So they will add at least eight to the population of Salem, to say nothing of employed help, which will increase as the business grows.

Business Will Spread

Mr. Monner has been in this line for 27 years. He has worked with the biggest firms of Portland, and for himself in that city, and lately he has been in Vancouver, Wash.

He would have come to Salem sooner, excepting that he must finish up a lot of work that is under way in Vancouver, and cannot be brought along.

Mr. Monner will make a specialty here of renting tents for auto parties, campers and others. He will take in all the surrounding towns and cities, and, while the Salem Tent and Awning company will start in a modest way, it will be conducted with the idea of making it a large manufacturing concern. Mr. Monner has been convinced that the field in Salem is a much more promising one for rapid growth than the one in Vancouver; though he is leaving a prosperous business there of no small volume monthly.

THE USE OF CLAY PRODUCTS BOOSTED

Prizes Awarded in Contests in Brick and Hollow Tile Design

Students of the University of Washington architectural department carried off the honors in the prize contest for best designs of brick facade for two-story and attic brick residences, inaugurated by the Pacific Northwest Brick Manufacturers association, which came to a close last week, with the awarding of prizes and honorable mention to contestants.

Ivan W. Meyer was awarded the first prize of $50; Frank Nagamini the second prize of $25; and Walter Wurdeman the third prize of $15. Three other students, Sam S. Washisuka, C. M. Shigaki and Arthur H. Waldo, were given honorable mention for their designs.

The problem of the competition was to design a brick facade without the use of terra cotta or any other form of masonry, the limit of frontage of the house being 40 feet. A number of attractive designs for brick residences, with floor plans and other detail embodied in the sketches, were submitted.

Prizes were awarded by a jury consisting of three prominent architects of Portland, William G. Holford, chairman; Jamison Parker and Joseph Jacobberger, appointed by the Portland chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The contest was the second of a series of contests in brick and hollow tile design, held by the Pacific Northwest Brick Manufacturers' association to stimulate interest among draughtsmen and architectural students in the use of clay products.

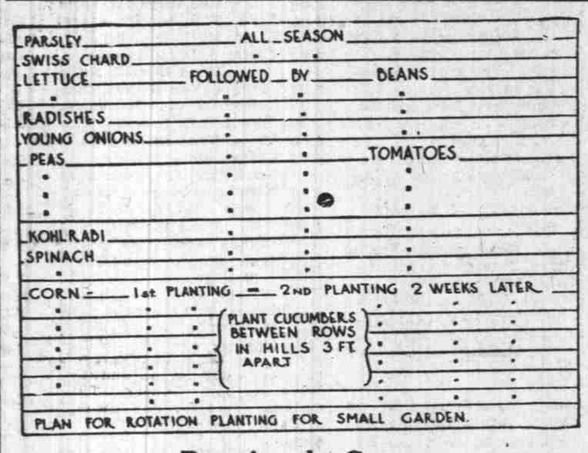
The designs submitted in the contest are made up in wash drawings and are on display in the Portland offices of the association, 906 Lewis building.

EGYPT NEEDS SCHOOLS

CAIRO, March 28.—Egyptians who can read and write do not number in excess of 1,000,000 out of a population of 14,000,000, according to an estimate made by the Egyptian Gazette based on the census of several years ago. The same paper gives at about 100,000 the men who have had higher education.

TIMELY GARDENING HINTS FROM A RELIABLE SOURCE

Suggestions Furnished by the National Garden Bureau on the Raising of Vegetables for Home Use



Rotating the Crops

Rotation planting is an important factor to consider in a garden and one of the main points to consider in a garden plan. In fact, it is almost a necessity to have garden plans on file to keep track of the rotation of crops. The same crops should not be planted in the same place in succeeding years.

Each kind of plant has its particular form of food it takes from the soil, and the soil becomes exhausted for that one plant if it is grown continually in the same place. Only one vegetable seems to be indifferent to being grown in the same spot year in and year out, and that is the onion.

There are several botanical orders that include a large portion of the vegetables, the cress or mustard family, legumes, the umbel bearers, and the nightshades. To the first belong radishes, turnips, cabbages, cauliflower, kohl rabis and kale. To the second belongs all the peas and beans. To the third belong parsnips, celery, parsley and carrots. The fourth includes tomatoes, egg plants and peppers.

It is a good plan to group these plants according to family relation and see that a legume does not follow a legume in successive seasons, or a member of the mustard family—that is to say, cabbages follow turnips. The same rule applies to all these groups.

Not only is this true for annual succession, as the groups should be moved to different sections of the garden each year, but in following planting the same season, beans should not follow peas nor peas beans. Late cabbage should not follow early cabbage or turnips cabbages.

Plant a member of a different family as a follow crop, as peas to follow radishes or cabbage potatoes. Beans may follow radishes. Turnips may follow beans. Turnips may follow peas. Tomatoes may follow young onions or spinach. A little study as to these groups will greatly add to the success of the garden and the main idea in follow planting and rotation is to make the soil yield the highest rental in vegetables to its owner.

Renovating the Lawn

Everbody has a lawn, but very few people have good ones. Now is a good time to start a real one.

The first requisite is good seed, seed from a reliable seed house that will contain good perennial grasses free from weed seeds, which will take hold and make a velvety surface to increase in beauty with each year. Much of the difficulty with lawns may be traced to poor, cheap seed which contains a large proportion of annual grasses which will make a fine show the first year and then will leave a thin and bedraggled stand of perennial grasses which will need to grow for some time to cover the bare spots where the annual grasses have died out.

Lawn seed is now prepared and mixed to suit various soils and situations and a description of the character of your your yard will bring you the proper mixture for the best results. Many seed houses will mix you a grass prescription if you ask them.

There are grass-seed mixtures for shady lawns, for sunny lawns, for light soil, for sweet soil, for sour soil, seed that will give sod to stand hard usage, and for very purpose and situation likely to arise. It is a matter of consulting a catolog or dealer or recognized standing to get the right sort of seed.

A lawn is a garden for grass. The soil needs fertilizing just as much if not more than the garden proper, for it must support a heavier and denser plant life. Fertilize the lawn. Use pulverized sheep manure, shredded cow manure, nitrate of soda or the balanced commercial lawn fertilizers.

There will be bare spots this spring owing to the coating of ice which covered such a large part of the country. Be ready to seed these spots as soon as the ice has melted.

Roll the lawn as soon as frost is well out of the ground.

Vegetables for Shade

A shady garden places a vegetable grower under a considerable handicap. If the shade is furnished by deciduous trees, he may grow the early spring vegetables, such as lettuce, radishes, young onions and spinach, with a fair degree of success, because they will have attained their growth before the trees have leaved out sufficiently to shut out the sun. Lettuce will be grateful for protection from the hot days which occasionally come in late spring.

But for midsummer vegetables the shady garden is limited as to varieties. String beans will give good enough crops to make them worth planting, although not as good as in the open sun. Parsnips and carrots often do fairly well. Leaf crops, in general, are more successful than root or fruit crops, and one that is sure fire is the Swiss chard for greens. It will give a good crop in a shady garden, although it will not luxuriate in the manner it does in the sun. The Swiss chard is a beet that does not make a thickened root. The beets themselves give a good leaf growth for greens in a shady situation, but will not develop as good roots as in the sun.

Early peas are not a good prospect for a shady garden if planted early enough to get the spring sun before the trees shut out the sun. They will give a crop in late May or early June from earliest plantings and are worth while.

It is useless to expect sweet corn, tomatoes, the main crop of string beans, cabbages, cauliflower turnips and other usual garden crops to flourish in shady gardens. If, however, the garden is shaded only half the day and gets afternoon or morning sun, a gardener need not hesitate to plant the usual crops with good assurances of worth-while crops.

It will be remembered that during the war-garden days beans were grown in enormous quantities in many shady lots and good crops were harvested where it was thought previously that nothing would grow.

Look over the lawn for bald spots. It was a hard winter on grass.

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