

Ben Lomond Home Has Air of Distinction as One Enters

Even Back Yard Must be Carefully Planned When One Desires Proper Home

An attractive back yard is not an easy thing to plan effectively because there are so many things to take into consideration. The average lot 50 by 150 is not large when we consider all the various parts into which it must be divided. With the ordinary house placed back from the street, as is the usual practice, there is left in the rear yard a depth of about one hundred feet. This is the space we are planning here.

Many wise home owners in their planning space the porch at the rear of the house where it may have privacy and in a way be a part of the yard, making of the whole an outdoor living room. This is the ideal arrangement, but even in this we must plan our yard that it, too, may be private. This means that there must be a fence to keep the thoughtless from intruding. The fence, which is not apt to be artistic in itself, should be screened by shrubs and vines. Too, there should be sufficient shrubbery screens to provide backgrounds for the flowers and divide the various parts of the yard.

Wide Lawn Space Needed
In all planning there should be as large an open lawn space as it is possible to have. This is desirable from many standpoints. It provides a place for play and a place to entertain one's friends, and it is a sort of a foil for the flowers, setting them off in all their glory. The lawn area should not be broken up by planting isolated shrubs or plants promiscuously upon it. In fact, everything planted in our gardens should have a definite reason for being placed where it is.

Consider the various parts of the garden and their uses. First, there is the open lawn. Surrounding the lawn is the screen or hedge of shrubs. This hedge also acts as a background for the flower borders. They also are slightly separated from the rest of the yard by groups of shrubs. This division may be moved to provide a larger or smaller flower space.

To the rear of the lot in our plan is a space that may be developed into what might be called a specialized garden. A formal garden or a rose garden should be planted here. Or, if the hobby of the owner runs to some of the special flowers like peonies, dahlias, iris or gladiolus, this space could be devoted to them. It is entirely screened from the rest of the yard and may be planted at a later time.

At one side is a space for drying clothes, well hidden from the rest of the place. Back of this is

space that may be used for a vegetable garden or playground for the children. In one corner of this space there is provision for a compost heap. This important adjunct to successful gardening should be provided for in every plan. It should be in an out-of-the-way place where it cannot be seen.

In selecting the varieties of shrubs that you will plant for the screens and backgrounds, you had better consult your local nurseryman. Conditions, of course, differ in various sections of the country. It is always best to select shrubs whose roots go down deep rather than those that spread out near the surface.

Climbing roses may be grown to good advantage upon the fence around the rear garden. This will be most effective if this space is used as a rose garden. The entire garden would not need to be used for roses. The beds around the outside edges might be used for a cut flower garden. One seldom wishes to cut much bloom from the borders in the main part of the garden.

One of the important considerations in building our garden is its furnishings. These should be selected with as much care as you would use in decorating your living room. Their placing is very important. Be sure that each piece has a good reason for its location. The arbor at the rear of the lawn area is put in a natural location in which it will blend with the hedge and will "fit." In the center of the rose garden there may be placed a bird bath, sundial or gazing globe. Any of them will be effective. At the extreme ends of the path across the rose garden are two seats. Surrounded by flowers and backed up by masses of climbing roses they will look unusually well.

The plan shows a slightly curved bench in the main lawn area, backed up by a mass of shrubs. This is a natural location for just such a bench. It is long and low, making an attractive resting place where one may get a good view of the entire garden across a wide expanse of lawn.

This plan might be changed to include many more flowers. They could occupy a bed all along the side across from the long seat and even might be added to that side. It is best not to plan for too many flowers unless one has a great deal of time to devote to them. Better have a few flowers well cared for than many and have to neglect some of them. Our gardens should be so planned that they will not be a burden to us. Too, they should always have room to expand.

HOUSE OPEN THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WEEK DAY AND EVENINGS

To afford just as many people as possible the opportunity of seeing the features, interior and exterior, of the Ben Lomond Park Home, the house will be open throughout every day throughout the week. The house will be open to inspection, also, each evening of the week. Special hostesses will be provided to take the guests through the home.

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FLAX PLANT VIEWED
The flax plant at the state penitentiary was viewed Friday by County Judge Siegmund and Commissioner Smith, all the operations being viewed by the members of the court.

Dudd, Drab Colors Kill All Beauties of Model Kitchen

We're trying to make our meals colorful and our recipes riots of harmonious hues, but what about the kitchens themselves? Surely, it's unfair to their occupants to let them languish in dull, drab colors.

Why, even the pots and pans and the handles of the knives and forks which we buy nowadays are triekily decked with red, green, yellow or blue. So let's start our kitchens along the right trail!

For instance, if your kitchen doesn't need much to make it gay, you might try painting the shelves some brilliant color—say a cherry red. Then on the mouldings of the doors, the top of the baseboard and the mouldings on the cupboard doors paint narrow lines of the same color. It's surprising what a difference it will make. However, if you think entire red shelves are a little too showy to start with, color only the front edge of the shelves red, leaving

the tops and bottoms their original cream or white.

And Parrots, Too!
Green may be handled in much the same way as the red, except that larger areas of it can be used, because it is not so vivid in tone. For instance, the inside of the cupboard doors may be painted green. Another amusing idea is

to stencil a vivid parrot in red and green on the inside of the cupboard doors, to remain hidden until the door swings open—and what hostess, with such a design for display, could refrain from the casual gesture which will show to the admiring guest that she, at least, is up-to-date and is using color in her kitchen?

DEPUTY SHERIFF RESIGNS
Marshfield, Ore., June 21. — (AP)—Because the "boys in the office are insisting on it," according to Sheriff W. W. Gage, Frank B. Osmond, Coos county deputy

sheriff for five years, was today requested to resign by July 1. The request was issued by Sheriff Gage. Osmond quit immediately.

PERFUME TO ASIA
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Philippine Islands are the greatest market for American perfumes and toilet waters, by a wide margin. In March the department of commerce finds the United States sold \$52,671 worth of perfumery abroad. More than \$17,000 of this went to America's far eastern archipelago.

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