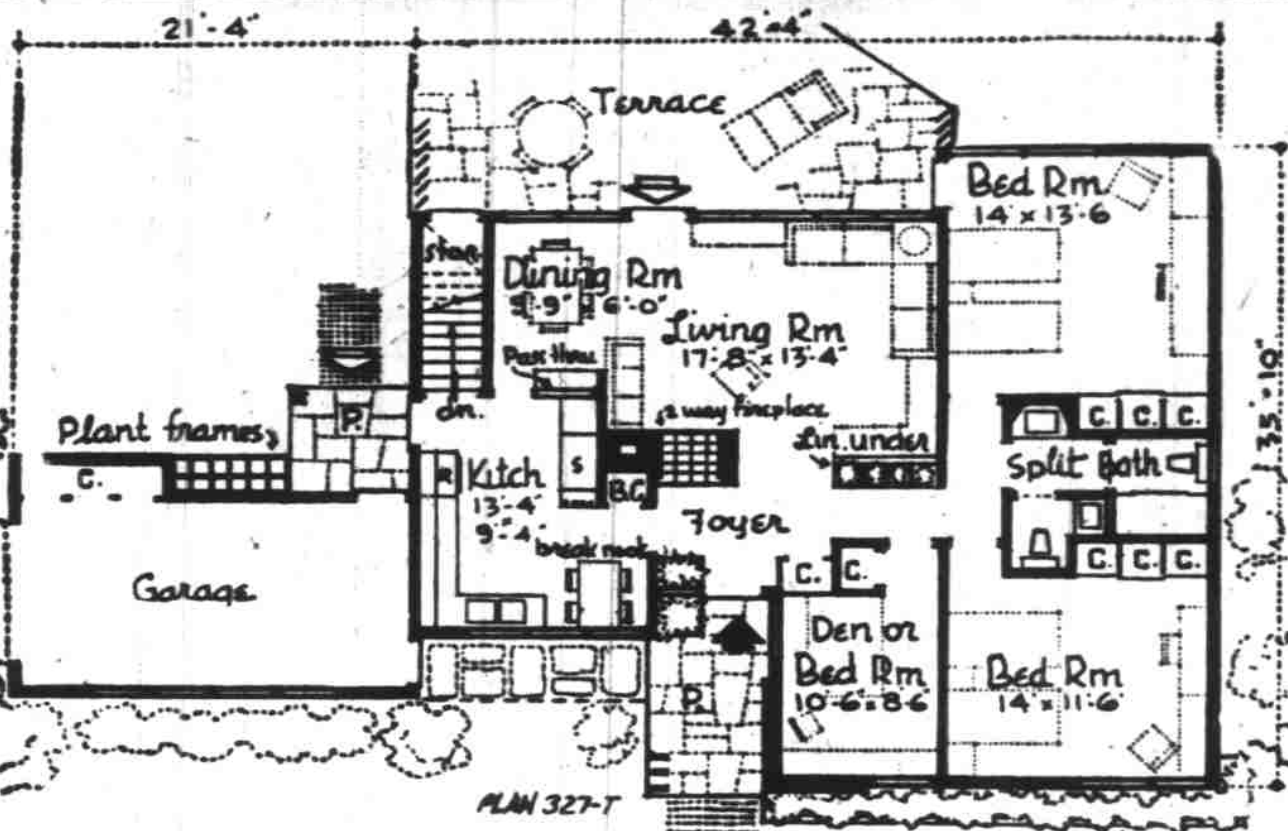


HOMES FOR AMERICANS



GLAMOROUS DETAILS make this house seem much bigger than it actually is. The house itself covers only 1280 square feet without garage. A broad overhang protects passage from garage to front door. Rear entrance to garage from covered porch connects with service vestibule between kitchen and basement stairs. A two-way fireplace spreads cheer in front entrance foyer as well as throughout living room. Master bedroom has an outside door to garden terrace. This is Plan 327-T by Edward R. Tyler, 586 Macon Pl., Uniondale, N. Y.

Home and Garden

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

Rose Show 'Really Lovely'

Fine Displays At Expedition Win Plaudits

Those of you who missed the rose show at Salem last week end really missed something. I get rather blasé about flower shows, as I go to so many (and usually enjoy each one) certainly have little complaint to make of the Salem event. Naturally, I don't agree with all of the judges—but then, listening in on them as they left the judging floor, they didn't agree among themselves, either. I enjoyed a great deal the "Bouquet from Grandmother's Garden" arranged by Labish Meadow Gardeners. . . . The arrangement was centered around a bouquet of old-fashioned roses including such as Rosa Centifolia Alba, Rosa Mundi, the Mission Rose. . . . I liked Mrs. Mildred Davis' red roses, Blaze variety—in the green pottery pitcher, which placed second in its division. The first place winner in the antique container division was lovely—and we agreed here with the judges. Red Moss roses and wine clematis were used together in a frosted glass vase.



We are getting into the lily season now. Watch for varieties you may want for later bloom. This is one of the Golden Chalice hybrids.

McCarthy Threatens Press Freedom, Says Oregon Dean

GEARHART, Ore. (AP)—Wisconsin's Sen. Joseph McCarthy "obviously intends" to curtail the freedom of the press, Gordon Sabine, dean of the school of journalism at the University of Oregon, told the 66th annual meeting of the Oregon Association of Newspaper Publishers here Friday. About 150 newspaper executives were registered for the sessions. Speaking on "Journalism, Journalists and Joe McCarthy," Sabine said "it is the duty of every American to fight against the abuse of the power of the press and the abuse of the freedom of thought and speech and the press." "I think Senator McCarthy, perhaps without attempting to, has made more citizens concerned about what goes on in their government, which we must agree is a good thing," Sabine said. "I think he also has thrown the spotlight on the general matter of loyalty to the United States, and has reminded us that if we get too complacent, we can do a disservice to democracy. "But there ends this man's service to his country and to us as citizens." Referring to McCarthy's examination of James Wechsler, editor of the New York Post, Sabine said: "This is not the first time a powerful public group has attempted to intimidate editors and curtail our freedom. It will not be the last time. But we must identify these efforts and we must strain to snuff them out for they have burned too deeply." Of the press itself, the dean said: "I think it is our main strength in times of stress like these—the strength that in the long run offsets the weakness of democracy that permits demagogues to flourish." Commenting on what he said was McCarthy's current attack on the press, Sabine asserted: "I think he has done more to confuse and divide and betray us than all our Communists. I think he has double-crossed our nation in time of need. "He may not yet have reached the peak of his lying, cheating, sinful path, but when he does, it will be up to us—the press—using the unbeatable weapon of the truth, to push him over the brink into obscurity."

Answers to Garden Questions

Question — When I was a youngster, we had a plant called "Job's Tears." We made beads from the seeds. The flower resembles the one I know as Texas Bluebonnet, doesn't produce the right kind of seeds. Do you know it? D.N.R. Answer — Could it be the regular Job's Tears (Coix Lacryma-Jobi)? This is a grass-like plant, however. It has pearly white beads of "tears" containing seed; they are about 1/2 inch long. Sometimes they are grey in color. The plant itself grows from two to four feet high. If anyone else knows of a Job's Tears, other than the little green plant frequently referred to as such, I'd appreciate hearing about it.



Tomato plants, pruned to a single stem and supported on stakes, a fence or trellis, give a larger yield per square foot of space occupied than any other vegetable. Here the method of removing all branches growing where leaves join the main stem of staked tomato is shown.

We grabbed a bit with other rose show attenders, who agreed with us that the Salem show was far superior to the Portland event this year, although, of course, Portland's show was larger. We even saw an Ena Harkness rose at the Salem show more beautiful than the Portland sweepstakes winner of the same variety.

Garden Calendar

June 26-27 — Victoria, B. C. Rose Show. July 9 — Labish Meadows Gardeners annual summer picnic, home of Mrs. Jack Bartlett. July 30-Aug. 1 — Vancouver B. C. Begonia Show. July 31—Salem Garden Club tour and tea. Aug. 1-2 — Portland Gladiolus Society show, Journal lobby and Auditorium. Aug. 8 — Silverton Jay-Cettes Summer Flower Show, Eugene Field Auditorium, Silverton. Aug. 12-13 — Oregon State Gladiolus Show, Grants Pass. Sept. 5-12 — Annual Oregon State Flower Show, Oregon state fairgrounds, Salem.

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Question — What plants would best use some wood ashes? We have a lot, but don't know where to put them? A. B. Answer — Don't put a "lot" around any one plant. Roses can use ashes nicely; so can delphiniums. Very few shrubs object to them, particularly those growing in heavy clay, if they are not used excessively.

lend one of the organic garden club meetings? The members always welcome visitors and they certainly are a fine bunch of gardeners. Watch our garden calendar for announcement of the meeting times of the organic garden club.

Three items which drew considerable attention for themselves at the Salem show were Al Lindbeck's potted Elfe rose, a small rose, resembling Picture in formation, a display of Foxtail Lily, which makes one think of glorified gloves or lupines . . . and a display of peonies. The foxtail lilies, in their brilliant colors, were brought by Mrs. Henry Carl, and everyone at the Rose Show was asking everyone else what they were. I found out early in the game, and thereafter very snugly handed out the information to all askers. The foxtail lilies, or eremurus, are Asiatic perennials. Sometimes they are called by the attractive name of Desert Candle. The flowering stalks are 4 to 10 feet high, with spiraling racemes taking up two to four feet of the stem. They are a little difficult to plant. I've been told, because the roots are so brittle. They should be planted in the fall, and from 8 to 10 inches deep, in rich, well-drained soil. They are very heavy feeders and those who have grown them say that one can hardly give them too much food. They come into their own in the garden, when planted against a background of shrubbery. We see too few peonies on display in the Salem area and it was nice to find such a lovely one from the Salem Peony Gardens at the show. Peonies do well in the valley and in spite of rain and breezes this spring, I have seen some very fine ones. They are planted in early September and those of you who wish to add some to your garden should be looking them over and placing your orders now. Just to mention a few peonies of outstanding quality: Red doubles — Kansas, a bright red, with very strong stems, selling for about \$10; Ruth Elizabeth, large and brilliant, the same price; Andy, dark red; Philippe Rivoir, rich crimson and fragrant, \$2.50; Karl Rosefield, dark crimson, \$1. Pink doubles — Mrs. Livingston Ferrand, pure pink, \$10; Edith M. Snook, ivory tinted pink with some yellow and green tints, \$6.50; Cathie Ann, deep rose on 40 inch stem, \$7; Nick Shaylor, bluish pink, \$4. Those going for around \$1.50 — Jeannot, flesh pink; Lady Alexandra Duff, very pale pink; La France, fragrant; Lillian Gumm, fluffy flower of shell pink; Martha Bulloch, fragrant, and rose shaded. White doubles: Dorothy, bluish white, very large, \$15; Mattie Lafuse, long lasting, fragrant with ivory and pink tones, \$12; Miss America, semi-double, \$12; Victory, ivory, \$10; Nancy Nicholls, with pink suffusion at center, \$5;

A. B. C. Nichols, white with hint of pink and orange, \$4; pure whites — W. L. Gumm, \$2.50; Mrs. Edward Harding, \$1.50; Mrs. A. M. Brand, \$2.50; Le Cygne (ivory white), \$2.50; Genevieve, \$3.

Mrs. Earl C. Bear (Agnes) tells me that she has been watering her African Violets with warm tea water and has had great success. She has had lots of bloom in an east window most of the year, with the house averaging a little on the warm side. She lets her plants get fairly dry and then soaks them up good. They are potted in a half inch of sand in the bottom, with sheep manure, sand and good garden soil as the general potting mixture, topped off again with sand. I'd almost wager, given the same care, with warm water used instead of tea, the results would be the same. I forgot to ask her if she had tried this . . .

Chlordane is generally accepted as the best of modern insecticides for use on lawn. More and more people are using chlordane products for control of turf insects. However, don't use it unless it is necessary. Some researchers are claiming that on clay and loam soils an excessive use may have

Question — Was sent a Daphne Somerset for a gift but no information accompanied it. Is it a big shrub? I don't know a thing about it and can't tell by the little potted plant I received. Is it an outdoor plant here in the valley? R. E. A. Answer — Somerset is one of the newer hardy daphnes—four or five years old, I believe. Anyway, its plant parent No. is 315. It is an English origination and received high honors from the Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain. A potted plant should really be in bloom now as May and June are the blooming months. The flowers are scented, bluish-pink, star-shaped in clusters. It smells like Daphne Cneorum or Viburnum Carlesii, resembling the latter, in my opinion. The foliage is somewhat like Boxwood. If unclipped the shrub grows around five feet high and four feet wide, but it can be kept in bounds very easily.

Question — Came home from a ride Sunday and found a small bunch of petunias marked "Cream Star" on my porch. Couldn't find them listed in my catalogue and am wondering what color they are. Could you hurry this question as I'm holding the plants until you answer. Don't want pink ones next to real red one. The donor's name wasn't attached and don't want to thank the wrong person—but I did appreciate the gift. C. E. K. Answer — Your letter came just as I was making up my question — answer list for the week, so will get it right in. An answer in four days is prompt enough, I hope? You are very lucky to receive Silver Star. These are the 1940 All-American selection. They are of a dwarf bushy habit, about one foot tall when mature. Flowers are about 2 1/4 inches across, five-pointed, and a soft creamy white sometimes going to almost a golden yellow at the throat. I like these very much, but you can't always find them at florists. They should go well with almost any of your petunias, although I do not care for them with some of the deep wine shades.

Question — What to do to control caterpillars. So many this year. Eating everything. C. S. Answer — Any of the poison sprays will get these. The trade name one you mention in your letter is very effective.

Question — There's a sort of scale like bug or growth on my philodendron. I think it is killing the plant. What can I do to control it? N. T. Answer — This is probably a mealybug, and if left uncontrolled, the plant will die, if not die, or lose its vitality. These insects are controlled by oil sprays. A nicotine sulfate spray at 2 teaspoons per gallon of water, and some yellow laundry soap added for a sticker, will also help. Usually these pests appear if circulation around the plant is poor. If there are not many, dip a cotton-covered toothpick in wood alcohol and touch up the bugs. This will take care of them, too.

In the early days of oil production, a "gusher" or well which spouted oil all over the neighborhood was hailed as a triumph by a producer, but today, the producer who fails to control the oil coming from a new well considers the result something of a disgrace.

Question — Have a small apple tree with a few apples on this year. Want to keep them from being wormy. What and when to spray? H. G. Answer — Watch the paper for the frequent notices of sprays. First notice came out this week for spraying apple trees for worms. Use a lead arsenate of DDT, 50 per cent wettable. For

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