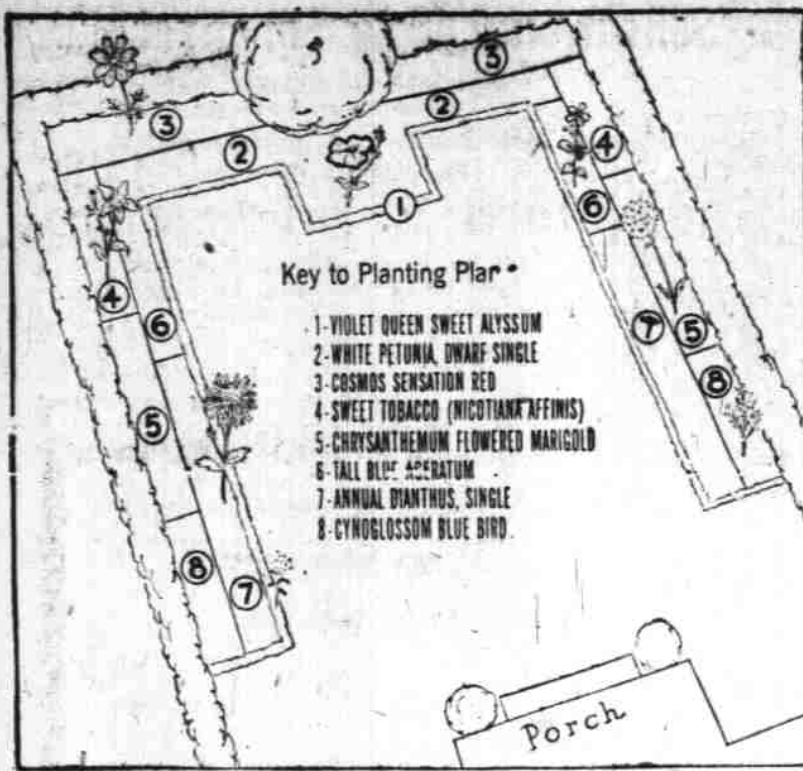


Fragrant Flowers are Part of Patio-Garden Combination



The house and garden meet in a flower-fenced patio. No patio without flowers around it is ever complete.

Today's patio is any place where house and garden meet and mingle. The modern idea is that gardens shall contribute charm to the home, and be intimately associated with everyday living. Patios will be enjoyed most when near the center of social garden activity, rather than hidden behind walls or hedges.

Every home can and should have a patio. A paved area close to a door is preferable. Flowers like sun-baths, so a sunny spot is advisable. For those who prefer shade a garden umbrella can be hoisted.

A patio without flowers around it will never seem complete, and among the flowers should be fragrant ones. Most fragrant of all is the nicotiana affinis. This is the old-fashioned sweet-tobacco plant, and is far more fragrant than the improved varieties.

The accompanying illustration shows a patio planting which can be made easily even by the inexperienced, from the seeds of annual flowers. All subjects are easily grown from seed sown directly where they are to grow. The planting is arranged with low growing plants in the foreground, taller ones behind. The color scheme is based upon harmony by contrast with complementary colors placed together where each will enhance the beauty of its neighbors.

Annual flowers grown from seeds blossom from early summer until frost, if the faded flowers are kept picked off, and reasonable care is taken of the plants. With them can be planted both bulbs and perennials to give a continuous display of bloom from the time the ground warms up until the autumn's first

heavy frost. Annuals never outgrow their place, no matter how small the area. They are always in scale, making both house and grounds seem larger than they would, were larger and taller plants set out.

Need Sunshine
Remember that annual flowers need sunshine. Avoid planting a garden where the tops and roots of trees, hedges or shrubbery shade the flowers, as well as compete with them for nourishment and moisture in the soil.

A situation on the north side of the house is not likely to be favorable for the garden illustrated, unless it is placed beyond the line to which the shadow of the roof extends in midsummer at 10 a. m. The location should be free of shade from trees and buildings for at least six hours a day.



Dress up work surfaces in your kitchen and laundry with resilient, vinyl-by-the-yard. It can be installed on any level, clean, counter surface.

BEANS AFRAID OF FROST

Never sow beans until all danger of frost is over. They are extremely sensitive to cold air and cold soil. Greatest improvement in quality has been made in bush beans, as distinguished from pole beans, though many find the latter excellent if they are picked young.

Seeds that germinate slowly, such as carrots, parsley, and parsnips, should be sown more thickly than others because the seedlings are feeble, and the force of many acting together helps break through the soil and bring the sprouts to the surface.

Nothing . . . no, nothing will dress up your living room like a . . .

NEW LAMP!

Select your new lamp from Salem's largest assortment of lamps at . . .

SALE PRICES!

3 Special Groups of Table Lamps

Table No. 1 Values to 15.75		Table No. 2 Values to 29.50
\$6⁹⁵		\$10⁰⁰
Table No. 3 Values to 39.50		\$19⁹⁵

All Lamps in Stock Reduced . . .

Floor Lamps - Table Lamps - Pin-up Lamps
Hurricane Lamps - Vanity Lamps, etc. . . .

We still have some floor samples of Living Room, Bedroom and Dining Room Furniture At Clearance Prices!

- Plenty of Free Parking
- Open Mon. & Fri. 'til 9
- Other Evenings by Appointment
- We Give 2-1/2% Green Stamps
- Easy Payment Plan
- Free Delivery Service



Carmel's
COLONIAL FURNITURE
2745 So. Commercial Salem, Ore. Phone 1-4748

Northwest Provides Wide Selection of Shrubby Alpines

The gardener of the northwest part of the United States, with a yen for true alpine, could confine himself to those from his own region and still have plenty of choice.

Best known of the shrubby alpine from the Northwest is the Pentstemon. Its truly dwarf species found on rocky cliffs and elsewhere in the mountains, make excellent crevice plants for a sunny location. They make a good ground cover in the shade but usually fail to bloom as well in the sun. All of them display great variation in form and they cross with each other quite readily but are characterized by tubular flowers all facing the same direction as though some blustery sergeant just sternly had commanded "Front!"

Pentstemon rupicola has toothed gray leaves making an excellent foil for its rose-crimson flowers. Pentstemon menziesii has smaller

leaves of deep green which may or may not be toothed. The flowers are violet. These two species of Pentstemon are only an introduction to the many others of equally good rock garden value.

Less well known but adaptable to more places in the garden is Dryas Suendermanni, whose trailing mats of small oak-like leaves are fitting adornment for rocks or flat ground. The yellowish buds open to white flowers reminiscent of Anemone. The buff colored barbs of the seeds form fluffy balls which are not the least of the plant's attractions.

Kinnikinnick or Bearberry should be included in any list of shrubby alpine here in the northwest, although it occurs at low elevations as well as high ones. According to the American Association of Nurserymen, its recommendations include shiny dark green leathery leaves which make it a good companion for rhodo-

dendrons and their relatives; flowers like tiny pale pink bells in spring, and bright red berries in fall.

More good northwestern alpine shrubs are Creeping Juniper (Juniperus Communis nana) with its silver gray foliage; Pachistima myrsinites with its delightful evergreen foliage having some yellowish tints; two low growing relatives of Gaultheria humifusa and Gaultheria ovalifolia; and a heath with beautiful white bells—Cassiope mertensiana.

A moderate amount of care and attention will meet the requirements of any of these shrubs. Hobbyists with lots of patience may wish to try a little member of the primrose family: Douglasia laevigata, or a creeping willow, Salix reticulata.

Whatever the choice, it is well to remember that mountain plants are not starvelings. The medium in which they grow

must include good loam. Usually they also require good drainage. Other needs will be evident from study and observation. These northwestern natives are dependable and satisfactory. They furnish a good preface to shrubby alpine in general. Most rock gardens would be improved by planting them.

Beets Pay Well for Space Used

Beets give a heavy yield for the space they take in the home garden. They can be harvested all summer long and served in many delicious ways.

The height of their quality is reached when they are as big as a golf ball. Several sowings at intervals are advisable to keep new crops coming to be harvested in their prime.

If you have trouble growing beets, it may be your soil needs lime. Beets are among the first vegetables to show bad effects from acid soil. It causes stunted growth, small roots, and too much red and yellow coloring in the leaves.

If your beets showed these symptoms last summer, be sure to spread lime or limestone screenings over your garden this spring. Beets also suffer from crowding, after their roots have begun to swell. They always require thinning out, because each seed is really a cluster of seeds, and too many plants will always grow, too close together, no matter how thin the seeds are sown.

Germination does not average as high as many other seeds, the federal standard being 65 per cent. It is usually advisable to sow seeds an inch apart.

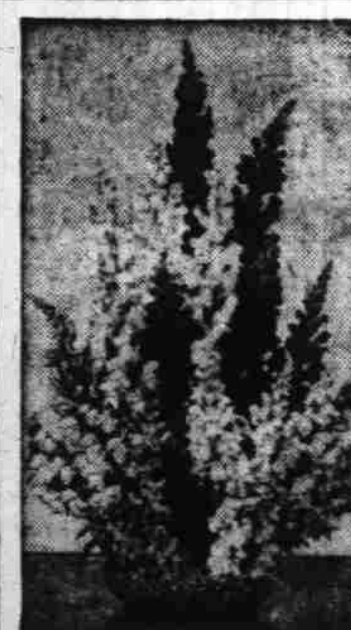
Thinning Lettuce Prevents Plants Bolting to Seed

As soon as vegetable seedlings get large enough to handle—usually when they grow their second pair of leaves—make sure that every plant stands free from every other—an inch apart at least. If seeds were sown thinly, there should be no cases of entangled roots at this stage. Then, as the plants grow, alternate ones should be removed until they stand at the space deemed best for their full development.

In this process many plants thinned out can be used for the table. Lettuce, especially, is usable as soon as the leaves are two inches across. Some gardeners never thin lettuce, but let it grow in crowded rows, pulling as needed or even cutting off the leaves, so that more will grow. This never gives lettuce of the best quality, and it causes the plants to bolt to seed earlier than normally.



Zinnias provide a delightful mixture of the lighter colors.



This second generation hybrid snapdragon—blooming earlier than other varieties will be appreciated by gardeners everywhere.



Come in now for a FREE demonstration of the all-NEW

REO

power mowers for '55—
"AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERED"
to OUTPERFORM them all!

Just arrived . . . completely new Reo Power Mowers . . . "automotive engineered" to give you the easiest, fastest, smoothest mowing on any kind of lawn!

Only 1955 Reo Power Mowers bring you advanced features like these: New 2 1/4 h.p., 4-cycle Reo AUTO-POWER Engines, made like the engine of a fine automobile. New Dual-Jet Carburetor for sure, one-pull starts. New Ultrasonic Muffler. New Automatic Rewind Starter that ends rope nuisance forever.

That's why you can count on better performance and more years of service with a '55 Reo Power Mower than with any other make regardless of cost. See proof on your own lawn. Visit or phone us now for a free demonstration without obligation!

There's a REO rotary or reel model to fit your needs, your purse



NEW REO DELUXE 25' RIDG-LAWN—Easy steering riding mower (not an attachment). Floating cutting unit turns right up to edge. Sealed ball bearings never need oiling. \$399.95. New Reo Deluxe 25' Trimalawn, \$228.95.

NEW REO DELUXE 21' ROYALE—America's finest mower! Self-propelled reel type. Fully enclosed drive can't be fouled by dirt or clippings. Spring-cushioned handle. \$343.48. Also new Reo Deluxe 18' Runabout, \$181.95.

NEW REO 18' SCOTT—Nation's top power mower value! Self-propelled reel type. One knob fingertip control. Fully enclosed drive. Cutting blade Autotemper to stay sharper longer. Sealed ball bearings. \$269.95.

NEW REO 18' REVO-JET—Greatest rotary value! Cuts high grass, trims close, 2 1/4 h.p., 4-cycle engine. Non-scalping design. Autotemper safety blade. Easy-rolling ball bearing wheels. \$291.95. Free leaf mulcher. Others from \$81.48

REO DIVISION, MOTOR WHEEL CORP., LANSING 3, MICHIGAN

FIND YOUR REO GOLD CROWN DEALER HERE. SEE OR PHONE HIM NOW FOR A FREE DEMONSTRATION.

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Roberts Bros. | Corvallis, Oregon |
| Western Auto Supply | Newport |
| Lipman Wolfe & Co. | 521 S.W. 5th, Portland |
| Roberts Bros. | 222 S.W. Morrison, Portland |
| Rickreall Farm Supply | Rickreall |
| F. R. Managre | St. Paul |
| Geo. E. Allen Hardware | 236 N. Commercial, Salem |
| Batdorf's Home & Auto #2 | 1420 State St., Salem |
| Batdorf's Home & Auto #1 | 2095 Fairgrounds Rd., Salem |
| Hocker Hardware Co. | Salem |
| Howsler Bros. | 1185 S. 12th St., Salem |
| Coomler Hardware | 4390 N. River Rd., Salem |
| Master Service Station | 365 N. Commercial, Salem |
| Roberts Bros. | Salem |
| Harry W. Scott | 147 S. Commercial, Salem |
| Stettler Supply Co. | Salem |
| Valley Farm Hardware | 3935 Silverton Rd., Salem |
| Cascade Farm Machinery Co. | 709 McClaine St., Silverton |
| Coast to Coast Stores | Silverton |
| Santiam Hdwe. & Impl. | Stayton |
| Witham Impl. House | Woodburn |
| Cowlitz Hardware | Kelso, Washington |
| Columbia Fuel & Feed | 6th & Broadway, Vancouver |
| McCoy's Goodyear Service | 809 C. St., Vancouver |
| Sparks Co. | 10th & Broadway, Vancouver |

See This Miracle Carpet at Fronk's Display-Home Show

The BRAND NEW carpet that shrugs off stains!



Not even INK can mar its Beauty!

Masland's SARANETTE

THE EXCITING NEW 100% SARAN BROADLOOM CARPET

Fronk's proudly present Masland's "Saranette" broadloom—washable, longer wearing, stain-proof, moth and mildew-proof, puppy and baby-proof! Washes beautifully with just a damp cloth. Completely non-absorbent . . . ink, food or drinks can't stain, or harm its thick, soft pile. Eight exciting colors, Hampton beige, Nutria, Mist gray, Sea green, Cinnamon, Corsage green, White and Driftwood gray . . . 9' and 12' widths, backed with latex. A miracle carpet at a miraculously low price! Visit our booth, see and test "Saranette."

\$10⁹⁵ sq. yard



2715 S. Commercial

Phone 4-6313

In Your Home for No Money Down!* Take Up to 36 Months to Pay!

*On Approved Credit