

Garden Gabbing

By GARDEN GADDER
HOME AND GARDEN SHOW—The 1957 Lions Club Home and Garden Show promises to be one of the best ever held in the grandstand at the Oregon State Fairgrounds. Some 50 Salem area merchants will have over 50 booth displays on show dates April 26-28, according to Ray Feiring, in charge of show exhibits. These include some new exhibits this year, such as home building tile that is manufactured right in Salem (see picture) and new developments in home accessories, along with some ceramic displays. The general theme is "Fun-Living Through New Ideas," says chairman, Walter Martin.

STAGE SHOWS NAMED—Four afternoon and evening stage shows have been signed for the Salem Home and Garden Show. They feature the Sing Lee Sing family, formerly with China Doll Review. This family of seven presents a show of tumbling and trampoline acts. The two evening stage shows will be Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and the afternoon shows, Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m. Earl Riggs, in charge of parking, reports that the main entrance to the show will be through 17th Street and that Explorer Scouts will assist with the parking job.

ED BOOTH SAYS—We were interested in a note from Eddie Booth, county courthouse gardener, this week concerning the old rose on the courthouse grounds about which we have been asking. This was a "Sunburst," says Eddie. He will try to find out more about the rose and let us know. Chances are that Eddie is pretty correct at that. The description given us a couple of times, certainly leans toward Sunburst looks. Thanks, Eddie—we'll look forward to hearing more from you.

BEN OBJECTS—Ben A. Newell, Marion County Extension agent, doesn't like the Mexican Burning Bush or Kochia, which we mentioned in a recent story. He tells us that "Mid-western folk who know the plant say that under rather drought-like conditions, it spreads to become a real weed problem, and that, with our moisture it might be serious." He also adds that it might be a fire problem as it is "greasy."

Seeds of the plant are obtainable in many places and it is pretty to look at... but if Ben doesn't think it should grow here we advise against planting it. We don't want any more repetitions of weeds like Scotch Broom, which, though very pretty, has become a nuisance in the valley and wasn't, we are told, a native... although it certainly has gone native.

WE GO VISITING—We visited with the Inglewood Garden Club this past week, when Mrs. Charles Sprague was hostess at a morning coffee hour. The members in this club, we found, knew an awful lot about down to earth gardening. Here are just a few of the things we heard over our cup of coffee and apple strudel: Erythroniums just couldn't be better than they have been this spring in the Fred Zimmerman garden on E. 573 Statesman street... There's nothing that goes native much better than rhododendrons and azaleas, the degree of nativeness to be within reason, of course, with narcissuses and daffodils growing beneath them. Hardy native cyclamen (Bird Hills to most of us) does very well when transplanted if not pampered too much. A little pampering, and the plants are larger and so are the bloom. Too much pampering, and there is neither plant nor bloom... Camellias have done usually well this spring... Even Pink Perfection, which is usually so far from "perfection," has been good. All of which indicates that a little frost, as we had last year, seemingly did not harm them... Also that if your camellia did freeze down, don't give up, it might come again. One plant, which froze and showed no sign of returning for two years, finally came up and is doing nicely now... of course, if this had been a budded or grafted variety, the grower would just have the root stock... And another thing we noticed was that these women—there were 16 of them—banded Latin and botanical names around just as if they were one syllable words used in everyday talk. It was a lovely meeting and we enjoyed it so much... besides learning lot which we aren't going to tell you all at once.

AND NOW IT'S TIME TO—be getting those fall asters or michaelmas daisies underway. They are easy to grow and a hardy, dependable source of bloom to bridge the gap between summer-flowering annuals and perennials, and climax the chrysanthemums. In fact, they run into the chrysanthemum season and continue right on until frost.

Spring is the preferred planting time, although all asters may be set out any time they can be kept moist and growing. Set the plants two feet apart, and pinch out the end of each shoot when growth measures six inches. The plants are at their best when pruned to three canes per plant. Each branch is then pinched back when eight to 10 inches long, and a third time when 18 inches. Water in a light application of commercial fertilizer in late May and repeat once or twice before the plants are in bud.

Tile Has Many Uses for Homemakers



One of the new displays this year at Salem's Home and Garden Show, April 26-28, is the home building tile, manufactured by Oren Maxfield (left) and his brother Gerald on Glen Creek Road. The brothers came here last January from Wyoming and Salt Lake City. Maxfield displays the tile to Al Bauer (right), public relations chairman for the Home and Garden Show.

Tips Given For House Repair Jobs

By ANDREW C. LANG
AP Newsfeatures

HERE ARE some tips that may help you in those repair jobs that crop up around the house:
When a window sticks because of hardened paint between the sash and the frame (the most common cause), it can be loosened much easier from the outside than the inside.
When buying new glass to replace a broken window pane, the dimensions given to the dealer should be 1/4 inch less than the width of the sash opening and 1/4 inch less than the length, a necessary allowance for possible contraction of the wooden frame.

When painting screening, keep a toothpick handy to unclog any holes while the paint is still wet.
When putting down a new threshold, stagger the nails on either side of the center section of the threshold.

Patching Roof
When a wooden roof shingle is cracked, it can be kept from leaking by driving a piece of copper under the damaged shingle and another piece under the shingle directly above it.

When painting a wall, start at the top and work downward, but when washing a wall, start at the bottom and work upward.

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When painting a ceiling while standing on a scaffold (or plank set between two stepladders), always keep the paint container in back of you so you won't knock it over as you move forward.

When using a plunger, or "plumber's friend," to unclog a sink drain, there must be enough water in the sink to cover the bottom part of the suction cup and form a complete seal.

When rain water is overflowing from a roof gutter at a point where there is no debris, the chances are that a readjustment of one of the gutter brackets will correct the condition.

Select Correct Type
When buying paint remover, get the semi-paste type for outdoor surfaces; get the liquid type for flat surfaces and other indoor jobs where the remover will not run.

When a drawer is inclined to stick, prevent it from becoming completely useless by rubbing the sliding parts with paraffin or one of the special preparations made for this purpose.

When breaking a flagstone with a cold chisel and a hammer, always work from the center of the stone toward the edges.
When replacing an old brick

with a new one soak the new brick thoroughly in a pail of water before putting it in the opening, which should also be drenched with water.

When applying patching plaster to a damaged area, fill the gap to about 1/4 inch from the surrounding surface, wait an hour, then add more of the patching material until it is flush with the surface.

About Sanding
When using a drum sander in refinishing a floor, always keep the machine in motion while the drum is in contact with the wood. When calking large gaps around a window frame, pack coarse cotton or oakum or aluminum foil into the openings before applying the calking compound.

When a paint job develops a wrinkly appearance within a few days after the paint was applied, it's likely that too heavy a coat was put on.

Woman Given Probation for Aiding Escape

PENDLETON, April 20 (AP)—Mrs. Lillian Hull, 46, Baker, yesterday was placed on one year's probation after a circuit court jury found her guilty of assisting the Dec. 29 escape of Albert Reitz from the Eastern Oregon Hospital here.
Judge W. W. Wells said he put Mrs. Hull on probation because she has four children. She was accused of giving a gun to Reitz, 22, who was recaptured two days after his escape.

Two Oregon Women Win Press Honors

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 20 (AP)—The National Federation of Press Women last night presented top awards to two Oregon women at its annual contest here.

One first place award, for women's department pages of daily newspapers with more than 2,500 circulation, went to Mrs. Kay Lundeen, women's editor of the Eugene Register-Guard. She also won a second place for Sunday section work and a third place feature writing award.

Mrs. Mary E. Brown, editor and publisher of the Redmond Spokesman, won a first place for a paper's special edition edited by a woman.

Other Oregon winners announced at the annual convention included:
Claire Elaine Lyon, Portland, second place in daily paper and magazine display advertising and third for a TV commercial.

Patricia Dayton, Mt. Angel, associate editor of St. Joseph Magazine, second in magazine news pictures; Marge Thomas, Lebanon Express society editor, third in newspaper feature pictures; and Doris Gunderson, Lebanon free lance writer, third for newscast in radio-TV division.

Foresters Finally Outsmart Mice

SANTA FE, N. M., April 10 (INS)—Foresters finally have outsmarted mice by discovering it is better to educate than exterminate.

The rodents annually take a heavy toll of forests by eating the seeds of fir, spruce and pine. Coating the seeds with poison merely kills off one generation. The next generation would move in, a matter of weeks.

Now, the seeds are coated with a solution which merely makes the mice ill. The intelligent rodents quickly determine the cause and stay away from the seeds.

Storms Rove Middle West, Eastern U.S.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A clash of warm and cold air churned up severe thunderstorms, a torrent of hailstones the size of baseballs and threatening funnel clouds in parts of the Texas-Oklahoma Panhandle area Saturday.

Severe thunderstorms also pelted eastern Texas where streams in the Waco area already were swollen by heavy rains.

Widespread thunderstorm activity broke out across the Ohio Valley into New York State. Southerly winds sent mercury levels climbing into the 80s across the Appalachians into northern New York State. Much of the Midwest had afternoon readings in the 70s or 80s.

While hot weather was the rule from Texas to New England, cooler than normal readings prevailed from the Rockies westward. Showers dampened southern California, and cool rains fell in the San Joaquin Valley and coastal areas of central California. Some snow fell at Sandberg, in the higher hills north of Los Angeles.

Snow and rain spread across Nevada into Utah.

Information Agency Fund Slash Seen

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—Sen. Ellender (D-La.) said today the U. S. Information Agency has "grown like a bad weed" and called for a new 15 million dollar slash in its budget.

At the same time, there were reports that some Republicans are to be linked with the vigorous support USIA Director Arthur Larson had given to "modern Republicanism" they will offer little resistance to a Democratic drive to chop the agency's funds.

A Senate Appropriations subcommittee headed by Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Democratic leader, has before it a bill passed by the House. It gives USIA 106 million dollars to operate in the year beginning July 1 instead of the 144 millions President Eisenhower requested.

Eisenhower said last Wednesday it was "the worst kind of economy" to cut informational funds. But Sen. Mansfield of Montana, assistant Democratic leader, predicted the Senate will cut the House figure even lower.

Among members of the Johnson subcommittee are Sens. Bridges (R-NH) and McCarthy (R-Wis.) who have shown little enthusiasm for the President's "modern Republicanism" philosophy.

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Organ Thefts Strike Sour Easter Note

ATLANTA, April 20 (AP)—There'll be no joyful Easter organ music for a young Atlanta musician whose efforts to provide for others struck a sour note today.

He was arrested and jailed on a suspicion of larceny charge in the theft of five organs in recent months.

Police said one organ was stolen from an Atlanta church, another from a church near Ringgold, two more from a company in Augusta and one from a Chattanooga, Tenn., firm.

Detective L. L. T. Bullard, head of the larceny squad, said Thomas M. Beveridge, 21, admitted the thefts.
Bullard quoted him as saying he returned two of the organs before he was caught and "intended to return all the organs and then turn myself over to the chief of police."

Beveridge told detectives and

Recall Sought for School Directors At Camas Valley

ROSEBURG, April 20 (AP)—The School Improvement Committee today announced it is circulating petitions aimed at the recall of two Camas Valley school board members.

Erwin M. Smith, the committee chairman, said his group voted 55-19 to support the recall against A. A. Schafer and Henry Cummings, who along with Mrs. Schaffer were hung in effigy last Sunday near the Camas Valley school, 23 miles southwest of here.

The recall move, apparently stems from the school board firing of a custodian and cook.

newsmen he began taking organs while employed by an Atlanta music company. He said he'd it so his customers would think he could deliver what they wanted. He said he sold each of the organs to people who had ordered that particular type.

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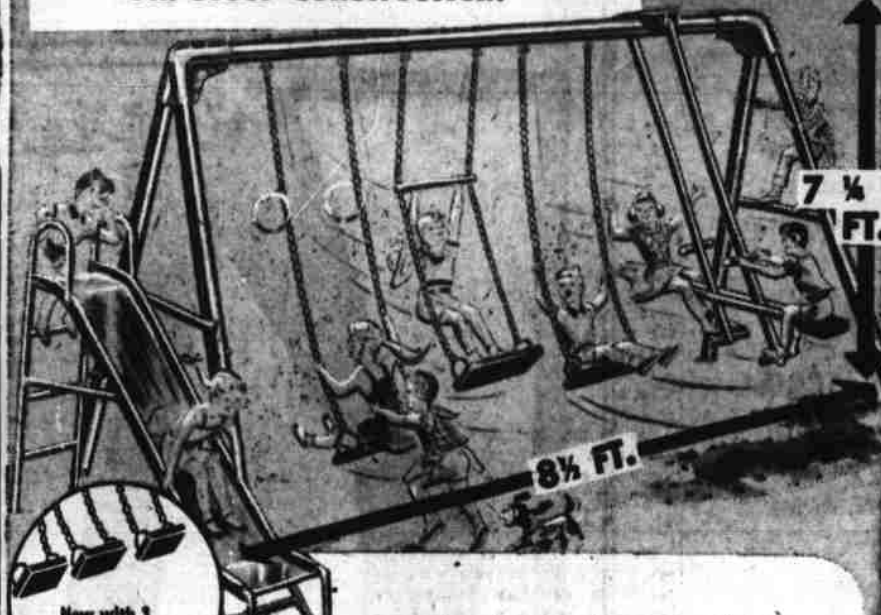
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