Industrial Developments Home Cleaning Chores

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cking and garbage dis- become machine oper- Cooking gets more auto- the time. Laboratory have produced soaps and detergents that perform wonders as dirt eliminators and time savers.

Mother's kitchen today combines beauty with utility. Her work areas are planned to save steps and her storage spaces seem to hold more utensils than the hotel kitchen.

The same easy-to-clean surface finishes that have become commonplace on refrigerators, ranges, metal cabinets and other kitchen equipment have climbed up the walls and covered the ceiling in recent years.

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HOME and GARDEN

—HARRY R. BAY

LACK OR PRIVACY resulting from the absence of a vestibule in many modern homes is overcome easily with a partition of glass block. Above, a glass block panel was installed to assure seclusion while borrowing daylight. The result is a smart alcove for modern dining.

Odd Foreign Trees Observed in Eugene

By RHODA BANKS
Register-Guard Staff Writer

It was a legendary Scotchman who said, "When ye've naught else to do, my lad, plant a tree—it will be growing while ye're asleep."

Apparently this was the motto of Dougall Campbell who moved to Eugene from a sheep ranch in North Dakota about the time of World War I. He bought a place on Fairmount Blvd., and proceeded to plant unusual trees.

When he had passed on, the place was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Karl Onthank, who appreciate and tend carefully the strange trees growing there.

A Spanish Fir

On the south side of the yard is a tall fir tree with a well-groomed look. It is an Albies Pinsapo, or Spanish fir. A true fir with cones looking somewhat like candles, it is a tree rarely seen on the coast.

Nearest the house is the Cedrus Deodara a native of the Himalayas. It produces large crops of cones which stand straight up. It is a true cedar, relative of the Cedar of Lebanon, a native of Asia Minor.

Two of these cedars are at each side of the entrance to Friendly Hall on the campus. "The deodar cedars are lovely at any time," said Mrs. Onthank.

Blue Atlas Cedar

In the northwest corner of the yard is a Blue Atlas Cedar, or Cedrus atlantica glauca. It has glaucous or blue foliage and during the past month has been covered with staminate cones shedding pollen in clouds.

Cones do not mature on this tree, nor have pistallate blossoms ever been found on it. Adult trees of this kind are not numerous. One is in the yard of William Russell on Fairmount Blvd.

It is hard to convey in words the beauty, grace and symmetry of these extraordinary trees. They must be seen to be appreciated as they are too large to get into a photograph. They look exotic and foreign.

Not Oregon Natives

They are not native Oregon trees. Even the cones on the deodora have a look reminding the observer of a Hindu turban.

For Lane Couty folks who are interested in learning more about Oregon trees a newly published booklet, "Trees to Know in Oregon," can be obtained at Mr. Fletcher's office in the Public Market. This is a 1950 extension bulletin from Oregon State College.

Rose, Queen of Garden Plants Is Best Planted in Autumn

The queen of all garden flowers, the rose, is best planted in this part of the country in the fall, experts advise.

The roots then have an opportunity to become established in their new home while the plant—in its annual resting stage—demands scarcely any food.

Simple instructions on how to plant roses are contained in the new leaflet, "Beautify America with Roses," recently published by the All-America Rose Selections.

Select Good Site

First step is to select a site that receives at least four to six hours of sunlight each day. Don't plant roses too close to trees or shrubs whose roots will compete for soil nutrients.

When the soil is unusually poor, dig out the beds to a depth of 12 to 15 inches. Mix the soil six or eight inches below this with well rotted manure or compost.

Mix the rest of the soil with 25 per cent peat moss. If necessary, install a layer of gravel or stones at the bottom of the bed and leading away from it, to carry off excess water.

With the bed prepared, the pamphlet outlines the six simple steps to assure a successful rose garden next season. They are:

1. **Plant as soon as possible** after arrival. After unpacking, soak root in a pail of muddy water about the consistency of syrup to cover the roots with damp soil.
2. **Dig holes large enough to** accomodate roots without crowding and deep enough to set them at the proper height. The bud union or crown of the plant should be level with or slightly below the surface of the ground after soil has settled.
3. **Spread roots so they point** downward at a forty-five degree angle. Cover the roots with loose soil, working it well underneath so they are in a firm position.
4. **Fill the hole three-fourths** full and tamp soil down firmly; pour a half bucket of water and allow to soak in to eliminate air pockets. Fill hole with soil.
5. **Prune any bruised or spindling** stems.
6. **Mound excess soil around** base; remove soil carefully in spring as soon as growth has started. Label all plants.

WHAT'S NEW with NEIL & GERRY

More Herman Miller furniture in this week. Plastic shell lounge chairs in Red. Very neat and comfortable. Charles Eams did a fine job when he designed these chairs for Herman Miller. They fit the body, are light and strong and are very easily cleaned. They are the answers to the problem of comfort and easy upkeep in a small space.

A beautiful pair of three-branch wall sconces of brass arrived this week also. These are Rococco in design and very graceful.

Many people have asked us to stay open until later, so, starting tomorrow, Monday the 22nd, we will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. six days a week. We hope this will make it easier for those who work to get out to our shop.

To us, lovely lamps, furniture and decorative accessories change a house into a home. Having nice things around us makes for enjoyable living, and it is our belief that truly beautiful and different articles make it easier to express one's individuality and dignity as a person than merely mediocre items will do. We have found that in most cases it costs no more to express oneself originally than to follow along in beaten paths.

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Cement Output Rises

Cement production in the first six months of 1951 was 15 per cent greater than in the January-June period of 1950, when all previous records were broken.

Home Building Is Old Process

How long have we been building houses?

In the United States, most people regard log cabins as the oldest type of house, although the Pilgrims built frame dwellings.

In Europe it is common to find houses still being used that are six or seven hundred years old.

But now comes a Chicago scientist with a Geiger-type counter who analyzed some birch wood taken from the remains of a Danish house.

His findings? The Danes were building houses almost 10,000 years ago!

Looks like building a house has been a favorite activity of mankind for a long time.

FHA Volume Off

In the first six months of 1951, FHA insured home loans amounted to 13 per cent of all recorded mortgages. This is the lowest percentage of FHA loans in any half-year period since 1947.

Weatherstrips Can Save Fuel

Bedroom Heat Losses Examined

Looking for a chance to save money on fuel this winter?

Then consider the advisibility of weatherstripping the bedroom doors. If you like to sleep with your bedroom windows open at night, and if the bedroom door does not fit tight, a lot of your fuel dollars may be escaping at this point.

That's what the Engineering Experiment Station of the University of Illinois has concluded after a study of the effects on fuel consumption of open bedroom windows at night.

If you insist on sleeping with your bedroom windows open, you will not save any money by turning off the radiators in your bedroom at night, the university's research experts found. Considerable fuel will be used to warm the room in the morning.

The tests were made with a forced circulation hot water heating system. The university found that room air temperature variations are affected by the length of the operating cycle of the burner and circulator.

To get maximum uniformity in air temperatures, short and frequent cycles of operation are preferable to longer, less frequent cycles.

Million New Homes Needed

The United States will need another million new homes next year if a housing shortage is to be averted, a leading building official said this week.

Frank W. Cortright, executive vice-president of the National Assocation of Home Builders, reported that the home building industry is capable of keeping up its present production pace, provided it can secure the necessary building materials and adequate mortgage funds are obtainable for home buyers.

Cortright pointed out that the housing market is far from saturated. He said demand is strong and will grow steadily over a long period of time.

Smart Styling For Interiors

To meet milady's standards, today's design for living increasingly calls for smart styling of home interiors — the provision of an attractive atmosphere that's easy and quick to keep clean and fresh looking.

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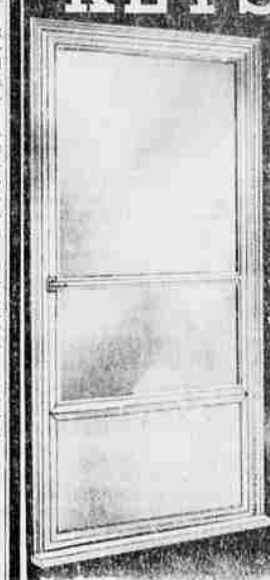

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