

Waterfall and Plantings Create Outdoor Beauty in Living Room



Let It Shower—Mrs. Fred Buell Brings Her Garden Indoors

The lush greenness of growing plants and the sound of running water that make a forest area a restful haven can be duplicated inside your own home.

"And you don't even need a green thumb to accomplish the miracle—in fact, I'm sure mine is brown," says Mrs. Fred Buell, who's created a picture of outdoor beauty in the family room of their Springfield home.

Using a series of graduated pools and waterfalls, Mrs. Buell arranges around them an assortment of plants including both leafy and flowering varieties.

There have been as many as 11 blooms at a time on a gardenia plant; azaleas offer color and lasting green foliage; a Bird of Paradise happily competes with ceramic birds for honors in the indoor garden. Ferns—Whitman Curly, the crested ostrich plume, adapt happily to indoors. Hibiscus grows well and offers

summer blooms. Crown of Bohemia brings a golden gladness in its flowering and foliage the year 'round. Several types of philodendron offer variety—the tree-loving kind, cordatum, the most common, cut-leaved type and the reddish-green.

An average of 35 to 60 per cent humidity is best for plants, Mrs. Buell notes—and for people too, she adds. Mist the plants daily, with an

atomizer, especially on bright days, stimulates growth and healthy appearance, she's found. Plants in pots, are set on a layer of pebbles with sufficient water that pebbles are not quite covered.

Proper soil and plan food are important, too, in the home garden, Mrs. Buell points out. Nitrogen, phosphorus and potash are needed elements for growing plants. Temperature by day should be from 65 to 75 degrees with night temperatures of 60 to 70 degrees.

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You'd think we'd learn sometime that you cannot outguess the weather! Last Sunday we should have inserted a qualifying phrase in our bold and hopeful headline: "Hello sun, goodbye rain . . . outdoor living's back again." We did so in our windows; the readers proclaimed, "Hello sun, goodbye rain (we hope!) . . . outdoor living's back again!" At any rate, the embarrassment was tempered by the fact that it really was a most heart-felt wish brought on by the enthusiasm we felt seeing the mountains of colorful, sun-loving merchandise flooding in daily.

We are reasonably certain (you'll notice the qualification) that it will not rain forever, so let's examine what's new under the sun. The little shift called the "Lilly" is the current and future craze. The original Lilly was designed by socialite Lilly Pulitzer. She made straight, knee-length shifts with side slits in beautiful colors and prints for herself. The Palm Beach set flipped for it so she went into business herself to accommodate her friends.

Now the Lilly is everywhere! We have them in every conceivable color and print; zebra stripes lined in red, country-quilt patches, bandana prints, huge polka-dots, you name it! The fun and casual comfort of these little shifts make them a must for beach, patio, even for loungewear. The miniature version is called "Minnie" and is the cutest thing going for the toddler set.

Our swimshops never looked so bright! The color choice is endless, two-piece styles are more in evidence, the Chanel influence is seen with relaxed shapes, fluid fabrics. And speaking of Chanel here is the neatest summer-sun beauty trick yet! Bath oils and other skin lubricants have become a mandatory accessory to combat the ill effects of sun exposure. The new Chanel No. 5 Oil for the Bath is the best way to replenish the skin's natural oils. Just a capful in the daily bath will do it and you'll be the sleek, smooth, scented bathing-beauty stealing the scene on any beach.

Another dream we have as we hopefully scan the weather reports is the joy of dining "al fresco." You can just see your rain-washed deck or patio basking in the sun with a gaily clothed table set with mad and wonderfully colored settings ready for your culinary genius. A trip through our street-floor gift department will take that dream even further. Examine our new luxury trivets, new colors in placemats and napkins, small but practical baskets in rainbow hues, scores of other items that will make your life more enjoyable when once again King Sol drives back the clouds.

We used to call them "Cotton Shops", but now with the new developments in man-made fibers, blends, weaves we must look for broader terminology. Hence, our new Summer Dress Bazaar on the second floor. Here you'll find everything that's new in color and styling for lightweight, easy-to-care-for summer dresses. Sleeveless styles are enjoying the greatest acceptance this season and our selection at all price levels is enormous. Scout around our two eleven dollar dress carousels in the same Bazaar.

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