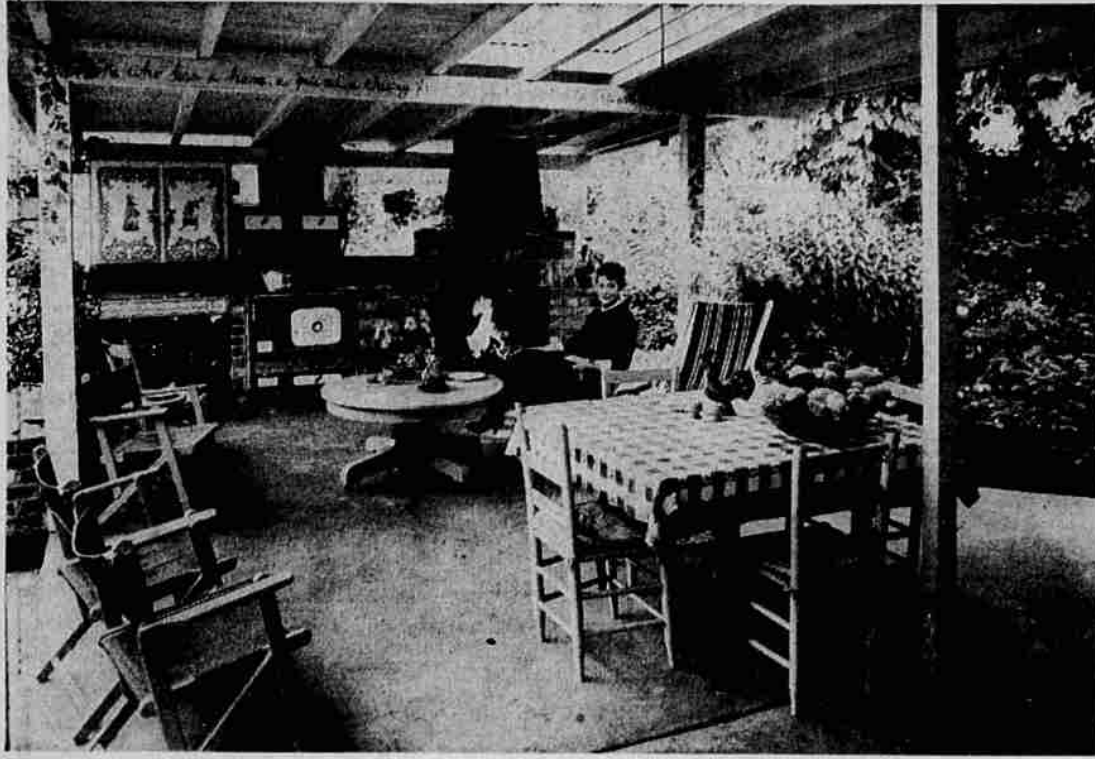


### Taylor's Plan for Outdoor Living



### Methods to Extend Flower Blooming Told

Plants blooming late in the season, subject to possible damage by rain or early frosts may be saved by transferring them to pots and moving them to protected locations.

Chrysanthemums, many of which have started their bloom cycle, can be continued in bloom if properly protected from rain, wind or frost. The method of protection varies. In the past the exhibition chrysanthemums were grown under glass thereby ensuring a full period of blooming. Later, it became the practice of many home garden enthusiasts to raise their chrysanthemums under cloth coverings that broke the force of rainfall and tended to reduce the danger of frost damage.

Still, not everyone had facilities for erecting such a covering. Therefore, in more recent years, it has been determined that chrysanthemums could be lifted at nearly any stage of growth and transferred to a location where protection from the elements was assured. Such a location might be in an "L" of the house, on a porch or inside the home itself.

Pots chosen for this purpose could be large enough to contain all of the plant's roots without crowding. Even though some soil might be lost from the roots in the transfer, the plants will usually recover if given new soil to replace that lost and they are carefully watered to keep them in good growing condition.

Plants besides chrysanthemums that may be continued for an additional period of bloom include geraniums, dahlias and tuberous begonias. It is possible to move these plants when they are in full bloom with comparatively little damage.

Care of this sort will prevent many losses of desirable plants in the event of a sudden freeze such as we experienced a year ago.



When the Hugh Taylors built a kitchen onto their house on the corner of North 18th and D streets, they continued on out and built a covered patio, pictured above. Mrs. Taylor added to the charm of the patio by decorating the beams, posts and cupboards with her original designs. For warm friendliness there is a fireplace at one end, which also has a crane for holding a tea kettle or a black iron kettle, and for cooking there is a wood cook stove that has been placed in a brick-in half wall. Below is the dining room in the Taylor home. The china closet, which is old is filled with old dishes and cut glass. The cupboard at the right of the picture has been refinished by Mrs. Taylor and at the far left is an old dresser with marble top that is used as a sideboard and bar.

### Fall Cleaning Can Become Fun Project

Fall cleaning may be a fun project—a time to size up the old and plan some new accessories for the home. It doesn't need to be drudgery.

Find a good routine for chores, the right equipment and proper dress, and you can learn to enjoy the job. Schedule cleaning chores, room by room. Plan your work so that you find time for an afternoon nap.

Some homemakers like to clean one room thoroughly each day, preferring the rotation plan to any other system, giving other rooms a once-over lightly each day.

Other homemakers prefer doing heavy cleaning all in one day; routine chores like bed-making, dusting and kitchen mopping every day.

A bride has a good opportunity to start out from scratch. She doesn't need to use Mom's methods unless she finds them to her liking. Her routine will depend on the equipment—washing machine, freezer; whether she shops for groceries or gets them delivered. It makes a difference in planning.

**TESTED SHORTCUTS**

Here are some ideas other young homemakers have established. Perhaps they will help you plan your schedule:

- List all supplies and equipment you need to do the job. Take advantage of new products especially created to make the job easier.
- Get one of the creamy pastes that cover hands and fingernails and apply it before cleaning. It'll help the dirt to be more easily removed after your cleaning project.
- Consider these cleaning aids: Bottled detergents to make suds for washing dishes, nylons, woolens... water softeners... window cleaners with spray applicators... liquid starch for a bright new look to window curtains... new oven cleaner with its own applicator... A bottle of liquid furniture wax goes a long way... bleach for cleaning and sanitizing bathroom fixtures, kitchen tile, sink, refrigerator and range... sudsy ammonia for greasy-stained areas... insecticides.

**SPEEDING CHORES**

Most housewives moving into new establishments will find more conveniences than there were a few years ago, enabling home chores to take on a dual role. Here are a few ideas:

### Home Repairs Dos... Dont's

**DO**... bear in mind that the key to good planning is a sharp blade, adjusted so that it extends a hair's width beyond the bottom and is parallel with it.

**DO**... plane with the grain (whenever possible), starting at one end of the wood with the toe of the plane flat on the surface and exerting over-all pressure as the rear handle comes over the wood.

**DO**... avoid breaking a corner or end grain by planing from the corner towards the middle.

**DO**... sharpen a plane blade on grinding wheel for best results, using an adjustable holder to get the right angle and rounding the corners ever so slightly in a sharpening stone.

**DONT**... set down the plane on its bottom (rest it on the side), and when it is not to be used again for a period of time, retract the blade.

**DONT**... be a lazy planer; turn the wood around in the vise whenever necessary to avoid awkward positions and poor results.

**DONT**... forget that while the ordinary jack plane is probably **DO**... also use the sharpening the best all-around plane for a home workshop, there are many other types for specific purposes... among them the block, smooth, fore, jointer and rabbit planes.

## Capital Journal GARDEN PAGE

### HOME OF THE WEEK

## Patio Much Used In Warm Weather

By MARGARET MAGEE  
Capital Journal Writer

This summer has been one conducive to living out of doors and the Hugh Taylors are well equipped to take advantage of such weather. Their covered patio is almost an outdoor living room, with nature providing what decorations have not been done by Mrs. Taylor.

When the Taylors moved to their home at the corner of D and North 18th streets the kitchen of the home, which was built in 1900, was very small, so they built onto the house putting on the kitchen and the covered patio.

The large patio at the far end of the house has a fireplace, an old wood burning range built into the brick-in area and a cupboard underneath which is a space for wood for both the range and the fireplace. The ceiling and posts have all been painted white and designs drawn by Mrs. Taylor are found on the beams, posts and the cupboards.

Flowers are in profusion on the Taylor lot, and beds have been so arranged as to become part of the artistic arrangement around the patio.

**Do-it-Yourself Fan**

Mrs. Taylor was a do-it-yourselfer long before this became a vogue and the entire house is an outstanding example of what one can do himself. Speaking of furniture she has refinished, Mrs. Taylor commented, "I think it is more of a challenge to re-do old things than start with all new furnishings."

When plans were in the making for building on a kitchen Mrs. Taylor did the planning. The result was a kitchen work area, a dining area at one end and a sewing room in the section that was the old kitchen. This is separated from the new kitchen by a bar in which the stove has also been set.

Cupboards and built-ins here are of natural colored spruce and the counters, bar and drainboards are covered in bright red. In contrast to this is the turquoise used in window and door casing, trims and on the open beams and the antiqued turquoise cupboard she has refinished. Plans originally called for a high fireplace with container for wood below. The cost prohibited this at the time so a pot cupboard was substituted and Mrs. Taylor says she would not do without it now.

Off the kitchen is the family room. This has a corner fireplace, which has a white tile trim. Bright touch in the room is the red curtains with tiny green figures and a green ruffle trim.

**Elegance Felt**

The dining room of the house has an elegance about it that makes one feel he is stepping into another age. The crystal light hangs over the long mahogany table in the center of the room, which is papered in a mustard colored wall paper with a provincial design. At one end of the room is an old china closet with glass doors containing old dishes and cut glass. Lending a homely note is the rocking chair in one corner of the room. Pictures of fruit on the wall all framed in gilt frames were painted by Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. R. W. Hicks.

Brown tones predominated in the living room, where the center of interest is the fireplace with a large mirror above it. The walls are a chocolate brown and the rug is brown. Cream is used in the trim for the room and the drapes are chartreuse. Pictures used in this room have been framed in gold and in cream frames trimmed with gold. Gold, beige tones with a floral design.

### Your Garden Notebook

**DO YOU KNOW?**

A selection of species and varieties of magnolias can provide flowers from March through July?

The raising of orchids in the home is gaining in popularity as a hobby?

Bulbs planted now, in pots will provide winter bloom to cheer the home and make fine Christmas gifts?

**COMING EVENTS**

Oct. 24-25—Seattle Chrysanthemum Society show, Norway Center, Seattle, Wash.

Oct. 24-25 — Holly Society of America meeting, Multnomah Hotel, Portland.

Dec. 5-6—Oregon State Horticultural Society, Corvallis.

### Bulb Planting Time Arrives

Most of the spring blooming bulbs have been planted in September. However, if you overlooked that chore, you still have time to get them in and have a grand display next spring. But, do not delay!

The planting procedure for these bulbs is very simple. In fact, bulbs are often considered the easiest of all plants to handle. Select a location with good drainage, place plant food, well-rotted manure or bonemeal below the bulb but not in contact with it. Plant the bulbs at a depth two and one-half times the height of the bulb.

It is not necessary to cultivate a whole bed to prepare for bulb planting unless mass planting is contemplated. Simply make a hole large enough to contain the bulb, loosen the soil below, place the fertilizer, set the bulb and cover with soil. Tulips are similarly treated but may be planted much later than most spring flowering bulbs. But, just because they may be planted later, do not put off the task.

It is possible, too, to plant some of these bulbs in pots, sink the pots in the ground out of doors where they should be left for five or six weeks when they may be brought indoors and forced into bloom for the holiday season. Tulips are especially favored for this use, several bulbs being planted in a fairly large size pot. Selection of appropriate varieties to afford the right colors will add gaiety to the holiday mood of the season.

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## October Busy Month For Gardeners in Area

### Tasks Needed To Insure Future

and speed up the action may be added, if desired. The top of the pile should be scooped out so that rainfall will gather there and keep the material saturated to promote rotting.

**Add Wastes, Prunings**

Grass clippings, leaves, prunings from trees and shrubs and kitchen vegetable waste should always be added to the compost pile.

If there is danger of a foul odor from the compost pile, which is the exception rather than the rule, a light sprinkling of acid phosphate over it will stop this condition and preserve the gases valuable for plant food.

When the major pruning of shrubs and trees gets underway, woody branches and twigs may be included in the compost although chopping or grinding these into smaller parts will speed up the breaking down process. Mechanical grinders are available for this purpose.

At this season of the year, with leaves beginning to fall in profusion from our trees, the making of a compost pile takes on added importance. In the past the acid smell of burning leaves indicated we were well into the fall season. Now, however, it is conceded that the burning of these leaves is like burning money! The leaves from our trees contain many valuable food elements essential to the healthy growth of most plants. It is only logical, then, to utilize this material, which costs us nothing, yet which supplies valuable food elements to our plants.

Materials infested with a fungus disease should not be included in the compost pile lest the disease be spread through its use. Seriously infested plant material should be burned to destroy the infestation.

**Take Up Begonias**

Tuberous begonias will be taken up this month as the danger of early frost threatens. Lift the tubers, then let them dry thoroughly. The tops will come off easily but any vestige of the stem remaining on the tuber should be carefully removed with a pen-knife, the tubers thoroughly cleaned of any soil remaining and then should be packed in dry sand.

If you have some special begonias you would like to multiply, try taking stem cuttings at this time. Root them in sand and carry them through the winter under glass or other protection, for planting next spring. Saving seed of tuberous begonias is no work for the amateur as the seed is so tiny and without proper pollination will not give the choice plants expected.

The vegetable garden comes in for its share of attention this month, too. Root vegetables may be left in the ground until just before frost. Parsnips, however, are improved in flavor if left until after the first freeze.

Tomato plants should be lifted and moved to a warm place so the green tomatoes will ripen.

### Questions Answered

By MARK M. TAYLOR

How should one prune a philodendron that has grown too large? E. S.

Cut back to any desired height just above a leaf. It will branch out more, then, but its height will be restrained.

When is proper time to prune shrubs? M. J.

It depends upon the character of the particular shrub in question, but, generally, spring flowering shrubs are pruned immediately after flowering with summer and fall blooming shrubs pruned in early spring just before growth starts.

Have arborvitae planted next to house. The part next to the house seems to be dying though the outer branches are a nice green. What should be done? J. M.

If the branches are dead, dry and brown, it is best to cut them back to the trunk to permit good air circulation and to prevent insect pests from nesting there. Careful removal of dead branches only may permit the good ones to cover up the removed area.

Is there a chemical killer to rid a lawn of crabgrass? P. H.

The newest development is known as PAX but is yet in experimental stage so much be used with the understanding it may not be successful. Most broad-leaved weed killers are ineffective against crabgrass, unfortunately. Perhaps the most successful control is through creation of a healthy stand of desirable grasses that will crowd out the crabgrass. Pre-emergence killers, those that kill the new plants as they germinate from seed seem to be the best control yet found. If you have a heavy infestation you may spray it with sulphate of iron, but you will need to reseed the area with good grasses. Small patches may be hand weeded and the good grasses fertilized and kept growing.

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