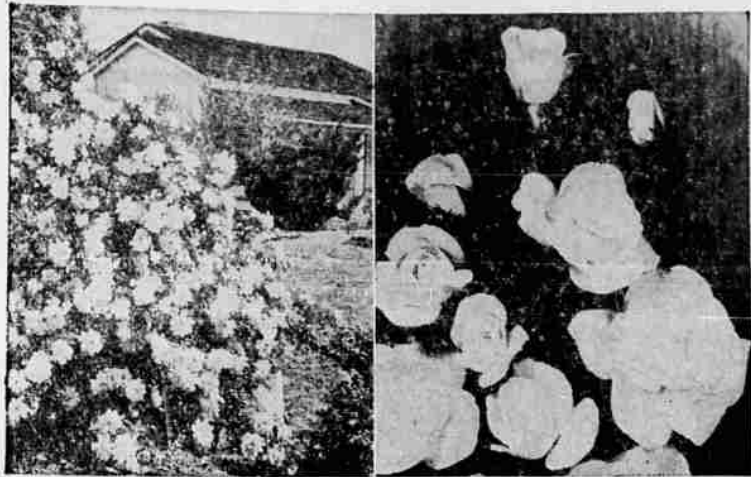


Two All-American Roses Shown



Two spectacular roses, Golden Showers (left) and White Bouquet are the winners of the coveted All-American Rose Selections award for 1957. The award is the highest in the flower world and brings the total of number of rose varieties to 45. Every entry in the All-American trials

All-America Choices Ideal Gifts for Rose Fanciers

By MARK M. TAYLOR
Capital Journal Special Writer

For the rose hobbyist, there is no better remembrance at Christmas time than the best of the new roses to add to his collection. The two outstanding roses for 1957, worthy of the coveted All-American Rose Selection award, make admirable gifts for the rose lover on your Christmas list.

White Bouquet is a white floribunda with fragrant, garden-like flowers up to five inches across. The intriguing quality of this rose variety lies in the fact that blooms are produced singly and in clusters on the same plant. The plant is bushy to 18 or 24 inches making it an ideal rose for bedding or foundation planting as well as for specimen use. The foliage is a lustrous, dark green.

Golden Showers Climber
Golden Showers is a pillar and climbing rose, a type seldom rat-

ing the All American award. The blooms are large and a deep yellow, blooming repeatedly from spring through fall.

The foliage is large, leathery, glossy and dark green and very resistant to mildew, a problem in this area.

The use of Golden Showers as a climber attached to a trellis or trained on a fence, or as a specimen pillar rose, makes this new All American winner a desirable plant for planting on the home grounds.

Great Demand Expected
If past experience repeats itself, these two new All American roses will be in great demand throughout this season's and the spring planting season. Gardeners are urged to make their selections early to avoid disappointment.

These roses are, by no means, the only desirable roses to use for Christmas giving to that favored

friend. However, a rose bearing the AARS (All America Rose Selection) label assures the purchaser of a rose that has been thoroughly tested in gardens throughout the country and that will perform well in this locality.

Past Selections
These past All-America Selections are still "tops" in the rose gardening world and deserving of a place in any home garden. Peace (canary, buff & apricot-hybrid tea), Helen Traubel (apricot - pink), Charlotte Armstrong (carmine red), Mojave (sunset-orange), Chrysler (red-red), Fortyniner (red and yellow), Sutter's Gold (fragrant yellow), Nocturne (dark-red), Lowell Thomas (canary-yellow), Taffeta (pink, copper and orange), Tallyho (pink & crimson) and Mme. Chiang Kai-shek (pale lemon yellow). The foregoing are all hybrid teas of accepted beauty.

Among the choice floribundas that have received the All America Award in past years, that are still outstanding in home plantings are: Fashion (coral-peach), Floradora (orange - scarlet), Lilibet (dainty pink), Ma Perkins (pink & gold), Vogue (cherry coral), Jiniy Cricket (coral-orange) and Circus (red, yellow, orange and pink).

KEY TO SIMPLICITY
CHICAGO (A)—A staggering load of 12½ million pounds of keys is toted around every day by all of the people of this country. Leon Kotch of Yale & Towne told the National Locksmiths' convention that this load could be cut by far by resetting all locks in a house and in the family car to work with a single key.

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ERNEST H. MILLER,
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Questions Answered

By MARK M. TAYLOR

Can I propagate my roses by taking cuttings, if so, how? R. L.

Yes, but the favored method is budding to establish understock. Cuttings may be taken by selecting cuttings about seven inches long, wintering them over in the soil outdoors or a propagating bed indoors. The buds on the cuttings will put out roots which may be carried along in pots or in the open ground. Roses, however, propagated from cuttings, known as "own root roses," are never as vigorous as bushes started by budding, or grafting, to ragged robin, shafter or multiflora understock. It's fun to experiment, but do not forget that many of the named varieties of roses in your garden are protected by plant patents that prohibit propagation by either of these methods. The safest, and cheapest method in the long run, of increasing your rose plantings is to buy new plants from your dealer. You can be sure of quality and no infringement on the rights of others.

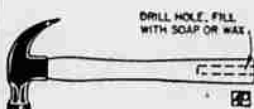
Shouldn't roses be pruned now? Mrs. C. M.

No pruning is advisable at this time unless there are damaged or diseased branches which should be removed. The preferred pruning time for roses is in February, to insure good bloom in late May and June.

When is the proper time to prune shrubs and trees? V. R.

There is no hard fast rule applicable to all shrubs and trees. However, spring blooming shrubs or trees should be pruned

Immediately after flowering instead of now. Generally, summer and fall blooming shrubs and trees are best pruned in winter. Evergreens may be pruned at nearly any time of the year.



RIGHT PAINT FOR TRIM
When buying white paint for the outside trim of your house, tell the dealer what material is used on the exterior. A self-cleaning type of white paint should be used only when the siding of a house is painted white. Unpainted masonry or stained shingles call for a non-chalking paint on the trim.

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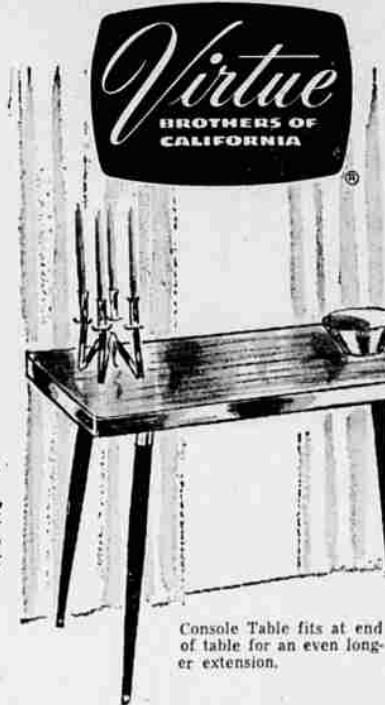
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