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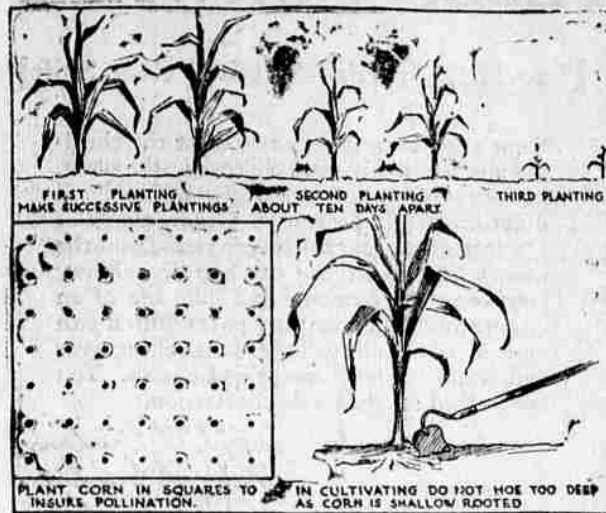
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What is HOME without a GARDEN



PLANT CORN IN SQUARES TO INSURE POLLINATION. IN CULTIVATING DO NOT HOE TOO DEEP AS CORN IS SHALLOW ROOTED

GET IN THE SWEET CORN

Sweet corn above all other vegetables is a home garden crop. It can't be obtained in its full sweetness and finest quality except in the home grown patch or in the immediate vicinity of the home where the time between picking and eating is a matter of two or three hours. That is about the limit of time sweet corn can stand after picking without beginning to go off in quality. White corn is a hot weather crop and the seed cannot be sown with safety until the weather has passed the date of the likelihood of frost. It is also a vegetable that does not thrive in hot climates. It is at its best in the northern half of the country. It is a typical American vegetable and is not well known in other countries. It is a variety of the common field corn but it has never been found growing wild. Sweet corn wants rich soil and it wants warm soil. It likes a good supply of moisture but won't thrive under waterlogging. The popular taste has swung away from the older white kernelled corn to the sugary little Golden Bantam corn as well as the yellowest field corn. There are Golden Bantam crosses in which

the golden color and some of the sugary flavor have been carried into larger cobs. The Golden Bantam corn may be planted in rows in the garden instead of the time honored hills. In this manner a great deal more corn from a given space can be harvested. In small patches the corn may stand eight inches apart in the row. A foot is the closest under intensive culture in small patches that the larger growing types can be placed. The rows should be two feet apart, the least distance that will permit walking up and down the rows to cultivate or pick the corn conveniently. Drop two or three seeds at one foot intervals and then thin to one stalk after it germinates. Plant the corn about an inch deep.

Stake in fertilizer when the garden patch is prepared in liberal quantity. After the corn is well out of the ground commercial fertilizer may be sprinkled along the rows and hoed in to good advantage. It does not harm to hill up the rows although it is not necessary with Golden Bantam as larger type corn. With the latter the hilling is advisable in order to give lodgment for the auxiliary roots.

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Rustic Seats and Benches Green Do Not a Garden Make

If you are planning to "beautify" your garden with a trellis arbor, a bird bath or a rustic seat, hesitate, or you may be lost, says Mrs. Francis King, one of the leading garden authorities in the country. Telling why some of the popular garden decorations may be exactly the wrong thing for your particular corner of Paradise, she writes in McCall's for June: "Not one object of any kind should find place in the small garden without some necessity for its being there. Do not add seats, tables, dials, bird-baths to your garden because they are in other people's places of the kind. Never buy a bird-bath unless you are really interested in having birds about, not solely as an addition to your garden ornament.

"Rustic seats are at their best in camps, or for houses built of logs near which nothing else is really right. There the smooth planed and painted bench is out of place. Roman benches of concrete or of stone look frightfully out of place except where the garden is a most formal one in character, and where the house whose garden it is proclaims this style. Wood, painted wood, is the simplest and best material to use in little gardens for arbors, benches, tables and the like; and the whole picture of a small place can be greatly enhanced by the careful placing of a few well-designed pieces of needed furniture of a color not glaring, but softly gay. There are gardens so bright during the summer and spring that benches of a wild green are an affront. Soft grays here may be better. And so much depends upon the scale of the furniture—a seat of huge proportions in a little garden throws the whole out of scale. The pergola, heavy and without reason, is a fearful gardening offense. The coarsely designed arbor, the too-thin trellis work—these detract from the garden's charm and usefulness.

"The safe thing is first never to copy, second not to try for effect. Let effect come of itself as it always will and must if a few simple principles are observed from the start. If the foundations of design, good planting, are there from the beginning."

When Wood Wants Washing. It's all right to touch wood if you think it will prevent bad luck but you've got to exert a little more effort than that to keep your wooden kitchen utensils in good condition. Such articles as salad forks, rolling pins, bowls, and mixing spoons are likely to become musty and discolored unless they receive extra attention occasionally. Scrub the wooden pieces with hot soap-suds to which a little soda has been added, rinse in clear water, and dry thoroughly. Next time you roll a pie crust with a fresh and spotless rolling pin, see if your luck in baking doesn't improve.—Mrs. A. S. P.

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Across the Editor's Desk

The editor would appreciate having anyone who reads this page and is interested in it, to send in original ideas on flower gardens, recipes, household hints and articles of all kinds pertaining to the home that would be of interest to other readers.

Material should be sent in as early as possible in the week. Those desiring their names not printed can sign their initials. Every contribution, however, must have the contributor's name on the article for reference.

A number of readers have expressed their enjoyment of this page and the editor would like to hear from all the readers describing which department they prefer. Address Editor of the Woman's Page.

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Church Today Needs Loyalty of Sacraments—Basil King

"The church is in great trouble—what she most needs is loyalty—the loyalty which is expressed in the original meaning of the word sacrament," Basil King wrote before he died. In his article published in McCall's Magazine for June he gives a new understanding of sacraments, because he goes back to the interesting origin of them.

"Sacraments have value only for those who bring that value with them, and have no need of what they get, if anything, in return. The first meaning I should give to the word sacrament is a proof of loyalty. It's a sign that whatever Christ's standard is you want to be faithful to it. And just as the Roman soldier renewed his oath, of sacrament, from time to time, the Christian does the same through certain specified rites.

"When all is said and done in criticism of the Christian Church, or any church in particular, it still remains true that it stands for a great tradition. Loyalty to that tradition must mean much in our lives, even when we don't fully agree with it. It has been the greatest force for good mankind has ever known, and though it might have been a greater force, it has been better than anything else.

"Loyalty is never so much in demand as when people are in trouble. The church is in great trouble. Everyone seems to have a stick or a stone to pelt her with. She's always been persecuted, of course; but just now the persecution is the more annoying because much of it is so petty. It comes from millions of people who first desert her and then speak a lot of her. There never, it has always seemed to me, was an institution that so provoked one's ill temper. It's so cocksure on the subject of possessing the final truth.

"And yet we have nothing that can take the church's place, for we are likely to have for thousands of years to come. Imperfect as she is, ridiculous as she sometimes appears to many of us, she still represents the highest ideals we've been able to attain.

What we call a sacrament is our effort to repeat and to honor our oath of loyalty to Jesus Christ—it is something more, but it is that in the first place—whereas what we understand as profanity is the attempt to degrade it. Swearing always concerns itself with our deepest and most sacred mysteries. When it doesn't profane our dearest things it turns to the most terrible—devils, damnation, hell."

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WINNING GARB FOR WORKING HOURS



Work-a-day clothes form an important part of every housewife's wardrobe, and there is no reason why she should not be trimly and attractively dressed even for the most menial of tasks.

The house frock shown here, for example, meets all the requirements of simplicity, smartness and freedom of movement. It also meets the slender pocket book, since it can be made for little or nothing at home. The materials required are four empty flour bags and four yards of bias tape. A patent leather or suede belt is a smart accessory and can be used on any number of other frocks besides, or a narrow belt of contrasting material can be made from the house frock from flour bought for home baking, or almost any baker will sell them for a few cents apiece. First you will want to take out the stamping, and that is not a difficult task. Many women prefer to do this by covering the inked places with lead or soaking them in

kerosene for a few hours and then washing in warm water. This flour bag material makes an excellent dyo as that with a little effort one may have her favorite shade of green, blue or rose, with bias binding in some effective contrasting color.

In cutting such a pattern as this out of flour bags, it will be necessary to have a seam across the shoulder. A smart effect is obtained by binding the front edge of the shoulders and then stitching it down to the back edge.

The clever apron also shown can be made from the same material. This style requires a little more work than a straight all-over model, but its additional attractiveness well repays one. The circular skirt is scalloped top and bottom and bound with colored bias tape, as are the pocket, armholes and neck and straps. A corn yellow with black, light green with lavender, light with dark blue are a few of the effective color schemes which may be obtained by dyeing the flour bags.

Children's Pleasure Column. Edited by Mary-Ann. This department is for our younger readers. We want you to write freely, telling of your experiences, adventures and of interesting happenings in your neighborhood. Tell of your favorite books or authors, favorite flowers, etc. Original poems and stories will also be appreciated.

Write with pen and ink on one side only of the paper. Do not use pencil. Help one another to make this page both interesting and instructive. Address your letters to Mary Ann, care Mail Tribune, Medford.

Pussy Willow's Hood. All winter, Pussy Willow has been shut up in her house by the brook; but one bright spring morning she opened the door and stepped out. One of the flowers were up yet; the brook, the birds, the buds and a few grass blades were the only friends that she saw.

"Why, whom have we here?" asked the Brook in surprise. "Miss Pussy Willow, as I live! Good morning. Pussy, why do you wear that hood? Summer is coming and every day grows warmer!"

"Oh Mother Nature told me to keep it on, lest I get the tooth-ache."

Everybody was glad to see Pussy. They all had something to say to her, curious to know why she had on that fur hood. Poor Pussy! She was tempted to take it off, they all said so much about it, but she didn't.

To make matters worse, Mr. Robin whispered some sly things to Pussy's friends; and the next morning when the grass and the brook began to shout, "Halleluiah! halleluiah, Pussy Willow has to wear a wig because she has no hair. Pussy Willow is a cheat!"

Pussy felt very badly but all she said was, "Wait and see."

One morning after this everyone had a surprise. There was Pussy Willow with no fur hood on her head, but bright golden curls dancing up and down in the breeze.

"Pussy is not a baldhead. She has long, golden curls," cried all her friends, and mischief-making Mr. Robin went and hid his head for shame.

Dangers of Spring Sports. The springtime has its special list of dangers. It would be well if all children were warned of these hazards.

Never fly kites where there are overhead wires. Using string instead of wire; the latter carries electricity. Never climb a pole to rescue a kite; contact with high-tension wires means immediate death.

Never skate on the street or hitch to vehicles. Don't play marbles in the street. When riding a bicycle, keep close to the curb. Never ride on the handlebars or hitch to motors. Obey the traffic rules and signals.

Tenderfoot: "How can I drive a nail without hitting my finger?" First Class: "Hold the hammer with both hands."

Helping the Homemaker

Kills Weeds, Aids Soil. Constant cultivation is the keynote of success in the garden because it destroys weeds.

Constant cultivation also produces in the garden what is called a dust mulch, that is, a loose layer of soil on top of the bed. The theory of the dust mulch is that it holds moisture in the soil at the place where it is most needed, that is, in the root system area.—From the May American Home.

Deep Breathing. One of the most important factors in building and maintaining good health is to breathe deeply. Several times a day, stay and deliberately take half a dozen or more deep breaths. Inhale thru your nose, and at the same time expand your abdomen and chest to their fullest extent. Exhale thru your mouth, slowly, smoothly, deeply. Realize that deep breathing cleanses your lungs and fills them with life-giving oxygen. Enjoy the exercise and get the full benefit of its invigorating effect. Deep breathing is the basis of robust health. Remind yourself many times daily to breathe deeply, and continue this practice until it becomes an unconscious habit. The last thing at night, take several deep breaths at an open window.

Gardening Hint. If you rub soap under your nails before gardening it will keep the dirt and stains out and can easily be removed with a brush and warm water afterwards.—Mrs. U. Central Point.

Make Watering Easy. It is immaterial when one waters by the overhead method, according to the May American Home, for even if the sun happens to be shining, the fact that the water is thrown up into the air and wets every part of the plants and soil reduces the temperature all over that particular area so that there is no scalding of foliage through rapid evaporation.

The gardener who performs has to leave home each morning can fix his portable pipe and set it

going with instructions that the water be shut off an hour or two later. In the evening when he comes home he can hoe over the watered patch and so conserve the moisture, treating different parts of the garden similarly from day to day.

Humane Society

The "ladybird" For Luck. The dainty little beetle called the "ladybird," in black-spotted scarlet cloak, is a favorite with everybody, being supposed to bring good luck wherever it flies. The ladybird is especially popular on American orange ranches infested by a scale-insect, an importation from Australia. The United States Department of Agriculture sent an expert to Australia to work out the life history of the pest, and he found that its natural foe was the ladybird, which was shipped in quantities to the California orchards. It has kept down the pest ever since.

The ladybird also is a good friend of growers of roses and hops, for it lives on their deadly foe, the greenfly.

No beetle does more useful work than the silent, active little ladybird. Wherever the greenfly abounds, it is in attendance. And its numbers increase in proportion with the flies.

Why are ladybirds so conspicuously colored in scarlet and black, as if to court attention? There is no doubt that their bright colors serve to warn off birds which might attack them. As a rule, showily-colored insects possess some offensive character like the wasp which makes them unpalatable. Pick a ladybird off a rose-bush, and you will find that from the leg-joints comes a drop of bitter, evil-smelling liquid. The bird which picked one up would quickly drop it, and would beware of the ladybird's color ever after.

Among several ladybirds, the commonest is the seven-spotted so named from the spots—there are really eight—on the wing-covers. After spending the summer froasting on greenflies, it sleeps away the winter in trees.

It is a mighty hunter, ruthless in scenting out the greenfly. A remarkable fact is that it relies on the greenfly to tend its eggs.—"Our Animals," Jackson County Humane Society.

Suggest Ear Muffs. ATHENS, Ga. (AP)—Research into the cause of ear trouble on the campus of the University of Georgia has convinced physicians that ear muffs would be a preventive. It seems that careless males fail to wash the soap from their ears after their toilet, with painful results.

A bronze memorial honors Chanco, an Indian, who warned Jamestown settlers of the impending massacre in 1622.

STRIKING BEACH PAJAMAS FOR SUMMER BATHERS



Evelyn Brent (left), motion picture star, wears a startling black and white pajama costume of futuristic design. In center she wears a simpler beach costume of sea green silk crepe that does not rumple when dampened by the sea spray. Doris Hill (right) wears the new satin beach overall.