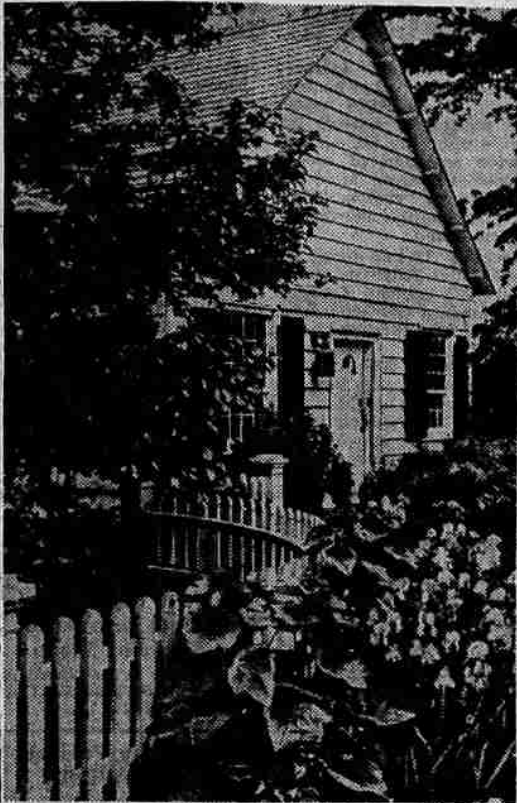




**BEAUTY SECRET**—Modest homes look larger and lovelier with well-executed landscaping, says the American Association of Nurserymen. Shrubs, hedges, trees and flowers hide unsightly features, break up harsh lines, and add beauty that leads the eye from the house itself.

## House Can Grow By Adding Room

If your house has "growing pains," or your family has become so large that a new bedroom or children's playroom is needed, it would be wise to make a survey of present under-roof areas — like the attic, basement, breezeway or garage — for "add-a-room" possibilities.

These are the first areas you should consider, since it's generally more economical to utilize unused or little-used space than to build an entirely new addition.

If there is some under-roof area available, chances are you can get your new room at a surprisingly low cost. The amount of money needed will depend, of course, on such factors as the size of the new room, the building materials used, and the nature of any plumbing and heating installations that may be required.

It is possible, in most areas,

to create an additional room in the basement or attic for as little as \$400, or convert a garage or enclose a porch or breezeway for as little as \$800.

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## Power Mower Works If Used Correctly

Today's brand name rotary power mowers have been designed to perform efficiently and with rewarding results on all types of grass. That is, if you are mowing correctly.

Edging with a power mower has been a challenge to many home gardeners who end up with scalped areas, shredded annuals and dirt and stones scattered on the lawn along flower beds.

The border of any well groomed lawn should be prepared for mowing with a rotary power mower. Experts suggest that the home gardener consider this when planting his annuals, laying a flagstone path or seeding a narrow border.

### Tamp Edges

The edges, as well as any other irregular surface, should be tamped gently to eliminate any peaked areas that invite scalping. The plantings should be set back far enough from the border so the mower can cut with enough width to insure a clean, neatly trimmed border.

A common problem in mowing lawns that feature varied border patterns is that little — if any — allowance has been made for the stepping and turning room of the operator.

If a garden path requires two trips with the mower — up and back — then the gardener should figure out how much maneuvering space he needs so that he doesn't cut into the lawn with sharp tight turns, or step on his wife's prize asters.

### Check Border

The garden area in the immediate vicinity of the border should be checked for pebbles and branches and raked clean. Frequently, power mower

trimming along sidewalks and flagstone paths is impeded by the fact that the stone or concrete is set above the natural contour line of the lawn.

Here, landscape experts suggest that the low areas of lawn paralleling sidewalks can be built up with topsoil, tamped firm and seeded to insure even, easy trimming.

Turf around trees and shrubs should be treated similarly to insure that the grading is firm and designed so the rotary power mower can trim it neatly and uniformly with a single, circular cut.

## Backyards To Have More Swim Pools

America is getting in the swim — backyard style.

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