

It's Your Home

Beat Winter to Your Roof

By BO SCHIARFF

Your roof will take a beating this winter and give you plenty of trouble. A little of preparation and a small expenditure right now can mean substantial saving in repair bills later on.

First inspect the roof thoroughly. Perhaps it needs only a caulking or a few minor repairs to make it invulnerable to wind, rain, snow or ice. But if a major fault exists, call in an expert for advice.

Check Gutters. Make sure that nothing blocks the free passage of water. Repair any open joints or

ed where the leaders enter. If their connection to the drain is plugged up, trouble will result. The drain will then back up the water and when this freezes the leaders will burst.

Roofs of all types should be inspected for loose or broken roofing. New pieces or underpatches should be inserted promptly. Curled, dried-out or split shingles may be perfectly tight during heavy rains, but may not prove weather-tight in a blizzard. The time to reshingle is before the snow starts.

Metal Roofs. Metal roofs and flashings of copper or lead may crack or open up because of the frequent strains of expansion and contraction. If flashing is pointed at masonry joints with a mastic or caulking compound (a putty-like water-proofing material), repoint where this has dried out, run out or cracked.

One small device for a roof, the snow-guard, is perhaps the most useful in preventing damage to leaders and gutters. Snow-guards may be installed on roofs without great expense.



breaks to prevent water from seeping through and causing leaks inside the house. Next, look over the gutters for bends or sags. Where the gutters are secured to the roof or the cornice with hangers, be sure the hangers are firmly attached to the building. You can get new hangers at your hardware store.

A gutter set too high in relation to the edge of the roof may cause every snowfall to be blocked. It should be set just below a line continued from the roof slope so sliding snow will jump the gutter.

Clean Leaders. The leaders must be cleaned thoroughly, too, and the ground inspect-

Veteran Can Detect Good Melons

DES MOINES, Ia. (AP)—If any man could tell a good melon by thumping and looking at it that man should be Hal Wolford. For 56 years, Wolford has been in the melon business at Conesville which claims the title of "Melon Capital of the Midwest."

Wolford can recall back at the turn of the century when as many as 800 railroad cars of melons were shipped from the town. They sold them for \$50 a carload.

The season this year was near perfect. More than 150 acres of watermelons were grown along with 80 acres of cantaloupes in the sandy flat between the Iowa and Cedar rivers.

Most of the melons now are shipped by truck. They have been sent this year as far as Kentucky and Georgia.

France to Control Campers

PARIS (AP)—Camping is becoming so popular in France that the Ministry of Interior is now studying a code to control the sport.

The necessity for some measure of control over campers has been emphasized, in the view of the authorities, by recent big forest fires in southwestern France which cost nearly a hundred lives and great damage to property. At least some of these fires are believed to have been started by careless campers.

Regulations are being considered which may require every French camper to belong to a club which will control the activities of its members in the same way as other sporting clubs. Towns and villages may be required to set aside definite camping grounds with elementary sanitary facilities.

JEKYLL-HYDE TV

NEW YORK (AP)—Here's a trick of the television trade: To overcome the difficulty of trying to show the transformation of one person into another, the basis of the story of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," a special camera arrangement has been effected. As Dr. Jekyll slowly becomes his "other self," the camera is made to interpret the action as if it were the eyes of Hyde. Hyde as a person is not seen, only Dr. Jekyll before and after the change.

Georgia grows more nuts than any other state in the union, with Alabama second.



'MISS SWEDEN'
—Kerstin Ringberg (above), 24, relaxes at a coast resort after being chosen "Miss Sweden" for the 1949 "Miss Europe" competitions at Palermo, Italy.

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Dean Morriss To Talk Here On Economy

Dean Victor P. Morriss will speak before teachers and educators on "The Economic Outlook in Relation to Devaluation of British Currency," at a banquet scheduled for the Willard hotel October 6 at 6:30 p. m.

This is one of the highlights of the Southern Oregon Regional conference which will be held here next Thursday and Friday when

teachers, supervisors and superintendents from Klamath, Lake, Jackson and Josephine counties convene in a two-day session.

Authority
Dean Morriss is considered an authority on his subject dealing with economics and heads the school of business administration at the University of Oregon.

Martha Shull, OEA president and Cecil Posey, executive secretary of OEA, will also be banquet guests. Reservations are limited and teachers and friends are asked to obtain their tickets early at the conference registration booths.

The science of geography is due largely to developments started by Alexander von Humboldt, a German scholar born in 1769.

Museum Advises On Painting

NEW YORK CITY, (AP)—A painting whose surface has become dull can frequently be brightened by using a good quality prepared wax-emulsion cream furniture polish, the Metropolitan Museum of Art advises.

Superficial dust and dirt can be removed by light brushing with absorbent cotton. But they should never be treated with soap, water, bread crumbs, erasers, raw potatoes or sliced onion. Any of these may improve the appearance but all can be harmful in inexperienced hands, the museum cautioned.

To Buy, Sell or Trade—it pays to read the Want Ads!

Donkey Finally Tripped Him

BELO HORIZONTE, Brazil, (AP) Francisco de Paula, a busy little man, had a busy week-end at a brick factory, while everybody else was away. He stole 60,000 bricks, hundreds of tiles and a donkey.

Better than ants at a picnic, he carried away the bricks. Then the

tiles. And then the donkey. As he led the animal away he met an old acquaintance, the policeman on the beat. Now he is resting in jail.

ALCOHOLICS CONSPICUOUS
PRAGUE, (AP)—Alcoholics won't remain anonymous at Brno, capital of Moravia. The council of the communist-controlled national committee there has announced it

will post publicly the names of "notorious alcoholics," especially if they are also work shirkers.

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