Well, folls, the honeymoon of lelaure from garden activity to over. Now, let's get down to the nitty-grity.

This is pruning time for late-blooming struke. Doer touch forsythia until after it has 'flowered as the buds formed in July and August. The same goes for flowering crabs which flower early in the spring. Sometimes you have to prune where a shrub or tree has been neglected and lost its aesthetic form.

There are three tools which are favorites. A rachet pruner makes pruning

## Musical drama set for 2 performances

Farmington Hills Christian Center announces the two performances of the musical drama by Michael Parks "Tale Third Day," The first performance will be at 7:30 p.m. Good Friday, April 9; the second performance will be at 6 p.m. Easter Sunday April 11. The performers invite their audience to travel with them to Jerusalem in the days of Jesus, in a presentation of music and drama.

There is no charge for admission.

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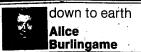
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a joy, it's a small hand tool. It is light-weight and prunes tough, medium-size branches in easy stages. One one loca-tion, you squeeze it three or four times and the branch falls off. If your hard-ware man doesn't carry it, tell him to look in his catalog and order some. You will thank me for the tip. Father's Day

THE SECOND FAVORITE tool is the lopping shears. I like it for reaching up and cutting off sucker branches. The third choice ald is the combination pole third choice ald is the combination pole saw-pruner. When you use it to reach the high twig growth, you let the sunshine into the middle of a tree. The tree will look better and you will have far more flowering another year. On a fruit tree, this can mean more fruit.

The Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, 1000
Washington Ave., Brooklyn N.Y. 11225,
published a handbook "Pruning." 68
pages, \$2.85, which is a meat and pofatoes guide. The list of article authors
reads like a "Who's Who" of horticul-

STROLL AROUND YOUR property on the next nice day and analyze your pruning needs. Basically, you prune for character and size control. Often you

Research has shown that whether or not you paint a wound after cutting makes no difference on the amount of decay, so save your money and time.

In experiments by the USDA, it has

been shown that if a tree has been bumped in an accident, if the wound is properly cleaned and treated, it will speed healing and reduce the possibility of decay. The secret seems to do it right after the lipity. Clean away the ragged bark and smooth the wound. Wrap the wound with a bandage of Black 4-mil polyethelene and use plastic tage to hold it tight.

It is even noted in the handbook to keep those pruned branches of a grapevine for use at Christmas time to make holiday wreaths.

holiday wreaths.

POST-PRUNING THERAPY for your garden is given, plus a watering and fertilizer program. The pruning of evergreen trees is well covered in the handbook as is shrubs.

Last year some trees in Oakland County were damaged by the gypsy much catepillar. As a result, those trees were without leave and the category was the same to be a considered, it will leaf out again, but will be weak, like a human after a bad illness. Feeding is very important especially around the circle of the drip line.

The mysteries of pruning are unraveled in this excellend handbook. Among the 39 articles written by 18 experts there is an article about creating fascinating sculptured topiary arimals as directed by Disney World in Florida.

I have seen this art done in our sundry American climates. Would love to start with four prived shrubs and create a four-legged animal. Any takers?



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## Dancers turn teachers

Members of Harbinger Dance Company, now in residence on Oak-land Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, turn teachers for non-credit courses this spring. Contemporary dance, tumbling, gymnastics, jazz, tap and ballet are on the roster. Registration inquiries are taken by calling the company, 477-7014. Two of the company dancers heading up classes this spring are Kitty Skillcompany dancers headin man and Thomas Morrell.

## Hodgkin's disease symptoms to be topic

Dr. Kenneth Axelrad, chief of the sychology section at Harner-Grace Dr. Kenneth Axelrad, chief of the psychology section at Harper-Grace Hospital, will speak on symptoms, side-effects and psychology at a meeting of the Michigan Hodgkin's Disease Foun-dation at 7-45 p.m. Monday in Provi-dence Hospital, 16001 Nine Mile, South-

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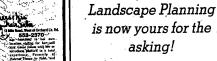
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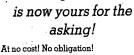
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