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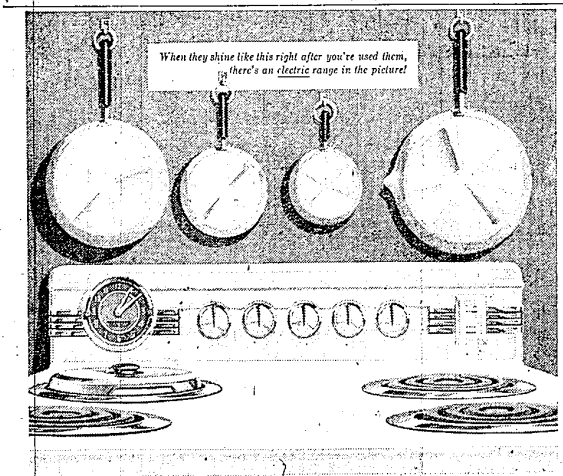
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Homes and Gardening



BUILDING DESIGNS VOTED BEST NOW BEING DISPLAYED

Building designs which won the "acclaimed awards" of the American architectural profession in 1954 are on view at the Detroit Institute of Arts through March 13.

Visits to the exhibition are among special events planned during the 42nd annual convention of the Michigan Society of Architects meeting in Detroit March 9, 10 and 11.

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FLOWER - GARDEN EXHIBITION TO OPEN MARCH 26

The Michigan Flower and Garden Exhibition for 1955 will be held at the State Fair Grounds, Detroit, from March 26 through April 3.

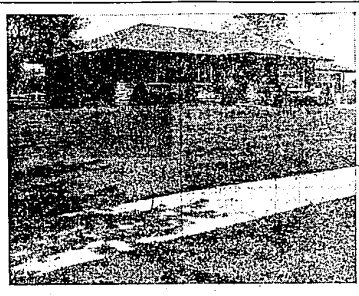
On display will be a variety of garden and floral arrangements provided by various nurseries and individuals as well as a huge display of beautiful flowers and plants from the famous Smoky Mountains presented by Chrysler Corporation. Michigan State College will show two gardens in honor of its Centennial celebration.

Advance sale tickets are now available at discount through florists and garden club members. It was disclosed last week.

The descent of a coin can be watched for forty feet to the bottom of Big Spring near Kitchissippi. Rafts provide observation platforms at this crystal clear Upper Peninsula attraction.

On Old Mission Peninsula near Traverse City, cherry trees grow 20,000 to the acre mile. This is the greatest concentration of cherry trees in America.

MINSTREL SHOW -- MARCH 12



Good lawn can make a new, modern house a home of beauty.

Fine Lawn Serves As Important Frame For New Low Modern Homes

Modern home design has increased the importance of the lawn to the home landscape. The house with low spreading lines finds a harmonious frame and foreground in the flawless green carpet upon which it rests.

Without care a fine lawn is impossible, wherever it is attempted. With care, there are several fine lawn grasses available to Americans, the most widely used being blue grass. Since the earliest days, Kentucky blue grass has been the chief reliance for lawns in the northern states.

Its rugged persistence in overcoming obstacles to its growth may sometimes encourage neglect. Its beauty, hardiness and quick response to favorable treatment have kept it in first place against many rivals for more than a century.

Good treatment is much the same for all lawn grasses. In soil requirements they are similar to other plants. The soil should be porous, to provide good drainage, and should contain organic matter and plant food for the plants to use. These qualities should be checked, and if necessary improved, before any seed is sown.

Though late summer or early fall is the best time, most new lawns are made in the spring. As soon as the ground has thawed and is dry enough for working, seed for a new lawn may be sown. The first step is to apply plant food. Three or four pounds of balanced commercial plant food per 100 square feet is usually sufficient. Half of this may be spread evenly over the area and spaded under. The lawn should then be raked smooth and leveled before seed is sown.

The remaining half of the plant food may then be mixed with the seed and both spread together, preferably with a fertilizer spreader, which will apply it evenly at the rate recommended by the supplier. The seed and plant food should be raked into the top soil. Then use a lawn roller or tamper to compact the soil. This will assist germination and the early growth of seedlings.

The soil should not be allowed to dry out.

Group Planting Adds Area Beauty

Gardeners very quickly learn the knack of side-by-side plantings of flowers which, blooming at the same time, enhance each other's beauty because of color or foliage harmony. Planting in masses gives a very striking overall effect — recall how hillsides of sumac bloom, blazing under an October sun?

The same desirable results can be produced in trees and shrubs. You may not be able to go as far as you would like on just one or two lots, but what about plantings which take in a group of homes, an entire street or the whole community? It is a worthwhile project, especially if you live in a new development where permanent planting has not yet progressed far.

Get together with your neighbors. Discuss the possibility. Very often, when quantity orders are placed, a nursery will give you special prices which you would not get for smaller, individual orders.

In any mass planting keep in mind the hazard of planting trees which are subject, as the American Elm presently is, to epidemic diseases.

Many historians claim that the 1844 discovery of time ore at Negaunee in northern Michigan was of far greater importance to the economic and industrial development of America than the California gold rush several years later.

To cultivate a garden is to walk with God.

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Use Wood Floors, Doctor Advises

Save your feet, walk on wood. That's the advice of Dr. William J. Stiekel, one of the nation's leading chiropodists, who praises wood floors as a walking surface because of their resiliency.

The extra-bounce in wood, Dr. Stiekel reports, helps to cushion the shock transmitted to the skeletal system when walking. He explains that walking on wood helps tone up the nerves and muscles of the feet, and points out that many of our physical disorders begin with our feet. Our feet act as shock absorbers for the rest of the body.

Among the more popular soft-wood floors used today are fir and west coast hemlock, which give maximum resiliency to the feet.

Dr. Stiekel offers this advice on how to walk: your shoes should point straight ahead, but it's all right to walk slightly pigeon-toed if that feels more natural.

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to dry out until the seed has germinated, even though this requires frequent sprinkling. If sowing is delayed until warm weather, it may be necessary to cover the surface with straw or similar material to shade the surface and check drying, while admitting both air and light.

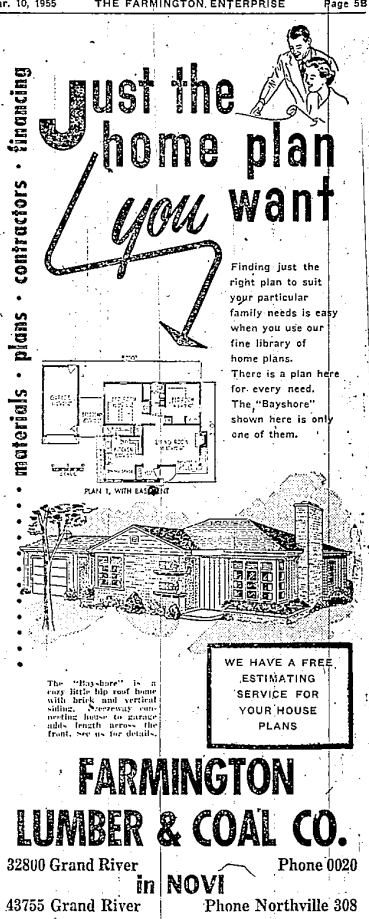
After the grass gets a good start sprinkling should be less frequent, with more water applied at a time. Established lawns should be watered when they need it, with a thorough soaking.

Careful pests have shown that an adequate supply of nitrogen throughout the summer is necessary, to keep blue grass growing vigorously. This may be supplied by using a plant food which releases its nitrogen slowly, such as is now available to amateurs. Otherwise frequent applications of nitrogen in other forms should be made.

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