

**Anchor Coupling Pays Quarterly Dividend**  
 LIBERTYVILLE, Ill.—Anchor Coupling Co., Inc. directors have voted payment on August 31 of a regular 20 cents per share quarterly dividend to stockholders of record August 10.

## New Preservatives Inhibit Wood Rot

Aside from dipping fence posts in creosote — a once in a lifetime job for most of us — the average homeowner thinks little about the use of preservative against rot.

Preservatives can be widely used for preventing decay in wood. Paint alone, incidentally, is not enough to protect wood from rot, a condition that comes about when fungi attack wood under the right combination of moisture and

temperature. Since moisture is the big enemy, wood which is continually exposed to dampness or is in constant contact with the ground should have special protection.

Creosote is not the only substance which can be used for this purpose, although for years it was. Creosote is cheap, but it cannot be painted over since it bleeds through paint — unless you first seal the surface with aluminum paint. Creosote also has a bad odor and is difficult to handle since it readily stains and burns the skin.

Newer preservatives are not as hard to handle and are more versatile. You are likely to encounter them under the names of "Timber Bright" and "Timber Seal." The primary ingredient will be either pentachlorophenol or zinc naphthenate.

Mixed with other ingredients, these preservatives also serve as protection against insect attack, and as a water repellent. Because they keep out water, swelling and warping will be reduced.

The pentachlorophenol (penis) solution is generally in an oil base and can be brushed or sprayed. Dipping remains the best way to protect since penetration is important in preventing rotting. If possible, soak the object in the penis solution.

Otherwise, brush heavily on the bare wood. If there are cracks and crevices, be sure to work in the solution. Since the zinc naphthenate comes in a clear solution, it can be used as a wood sealer. It will work well under varnish when a natural finish is desired. Otherwise, use as you would the penis preservative.

All new lumber likely to come in contact with moisture, or be used in such a way as to hold moisture, should be protected. Also protect garden furniture, ladders and similar items that rest on the ground. Soak ladder ends, bottoms of legs of furniture. Apply at seams, wherever pieces cross or meet since moisture can be retained at these points.

Around the house, apply it to the bottom edges of doors, garage doors, around door sills. The joints of wooden steps are places where dampness will persist and there are many such points around a porch.

Use it around window frames, wooden screens, storm windows.

If wood has started to rot, preservative will do no good. Scrape away the rotted portion and then apply preservative to save what is left.

Spraying will get the solution into corners and crevices and an ordinary garden spray will do the trick.

Though not as harsh and smelly as creosote, these newer preservatives can irritate the skin of some people. If you get any on your hands, wash immediately with soap and water.



MRS. DOROTHY Flasel, of Livonia, has been appointed manager of the Detroit Bank & Trust office at Grand River and Bedford. Flasel with Mrs. Vera Craig—whose appointment as manager of the bank's Griswold-State office in downtown Detroit was announced at the same time—became the second and third women to be named branch managers in the 118-year history of the bank. She is a member of the American Institute of Banking, a past president of the Zimmer Lightbody Bowling League and a member of the Adams PTA.

## Keep Garden Clean During Hot Spells

During hot weather, blossoms mature daily on many flowers. Removing dead blossoms helps to continue bloom and may prevent disease from starting, says J. Robert Nuss, extension or-

ganizational horticulturist at the Pennsylvania State University. Plants are healthier and produce more blooms if well spaced. By removing weak plants and broken stems your

vigorous plants will have a better chance to bloom. Slight increases in ground levels do not harm most trees. If only about four inches of fill is required, a tree well is not usually necessary. When the situation is reversed and the soil is to be lowered, retaining walls built around desirable trees will save them.

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