

MOISTURE-PROOF PANELS for hard-use areas such as bathrooms and kitchens are plastic finished for durability and easy, damp-wipe maintenance. Goldtone metal moldings are available for inside and outside corners, division and edging. The bath above is paneled in Royale gossamer blue by Masonite.



We've been asked to repeat the recipe for making lotion for chapped hands, from quince seed. Here's the recipe for those who have saved seeds: 1/4 cup quince seeds soaked overnight in 1 pint of water. Strain and add 1/4 oz. of glycerine, two ounces of bay rum, 1/2 ounce of perfume. We make this lotion each fall and think it's dandy.

Here's a dandy for making quince honey: one pint grated quince, three pints sugar, 1 1/2 pints water. Let sugar and water come to a boil, add grated quince and cook 20 minutes or until the consistency of honey. Good served on cereal and ice cream or spread on the children's bread.

Seed catalogs are starting to roll in and it's a good sign. One of the best arguments for home gardening is its therapeutic effect on human health.

One of our modern day curses is that some of us have too much time on our hands, and we haven't been taught how to use it. We're in an age of leisure, and our society will decay if we don't spend our leisure time in a way that benefits our mind and body.

Of the many letters we receive annually, we find that doctors, lawyers, and professional people in all walks of life are taking up gardening to shake off frustrations and tensions. So, for the coming year, make your slogan be: "Garden More in '74."

This is a reminder to those who raised Swiss chard. Give it a little winter protection and it will make unusually good greens early in the spring when we all hanker for some fresh vegetables. Some seed companies offer a red swiss chard which is quite attractive.

Your seed catalogs will be coming in shortly. Look for a variety of chard called Fordhook Giant. Its leaves are dark green, curled up like a fan, and make excellent boiling greens.

## Plant Of The Week

Grape ivy, *Cissus rhombifolia*, is a quick growing, trailing plant, suitable for hanging baskets or as a climbing plant, says William



## Glass Makes Sunny Shelves

You can build temporary sunny shelves for plants simply by setting two concrete blocks or bricks about six inches in from the sides of a window where sunlight is best.

Lay a heavy piece of plate glass across the supports allowing it to extend the full width of the window. Be sure to place heavy felt between the glass and the supports to protect the glass.

Keep adding bricks and

Carlson, Michigan State University horticulturist.

Grape ivy is characterized by its vine-like winding, brown-hairy branches with coiling tendrils and compound leaves. Color ranges from grass green to metallic deep green with brownish veins and stems.

The plant needs good, even light with plenty of water during summer and infrequent watering in winter. Keep in an east window, 1,000 to 3,000 foot candles of light, says Carlson.

Keep the soil evenly moist but not constantly wet. During rest periods and low temperatures, the soil can be kept drier.

Soil should consist of 1/3 good garden soil (sterilized), 1/3 part peat or humus and 1/3 perlite or vermiculite.

Grape ivy can be propagated by tip cuttings or leaf-bud cuttings.

**GREEN THUMB CLINIC:** A reader writes: "We have a stump in our backyard and wonder if there's a quicker way to get rid of it than by rotting."

Answer: If you can afford a de-stumper, that's the quickest way to get rid of stumps. Go to the woods and gather some rotted woods soil and sprinkle it on the stump. This helps break down the stump, due to action of fungi and bacteria.

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## Roofing Terms Nailed Down

In the lexicon of the roofer, a rake is not a garden tool, a valley is not part of the scenery, and a hip is not part of one's anatomy.

The words all describe parts of a roof. Like many specialized crafts, roofing has a language all its own. For example a rake is the inclined edge of a pitched roof over an end wall.

Hip refers to an external angle formed by the meeting of two sloping ends of the roof, from the ridge (peak) to the eaves (parts of a roof that project beyond the face of the wall at the lower edge of the roof). Hip also refers to a type of roof with this characteristic.

A valley is an internal

angle or water runway formed by the intersection of two slopes in a roof. Valleys are used to help a roof shed water.

While the roofing craft is replete with terms handed down by tradition, there are also many recent innovations to grace modern rooftops.

One of these is the new series of heavy-textured asphalt shingles that are offered by roofing manufacturers. These top-of-the-line shingles, while new in design and color selection, offer the traditional benefits of fire safety, wind protection and economy.

Roofers' terminology and the latest developments in

roofing technology are both covered in a new booklet, "A Homeowner's Guide to the Selection of Quality Roofing."

It may be obtained for 25 cents from SR & A, Box 3302, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017.

## Help Save Food Dollar

Were it not for pesticides, you would be paying many times what you are presently spending for groceries.

"Not only do weeds choke other plants," says R.S. Dunham, professor emeritus, University of Minnesota, "but they steal water and other nutrients from the soil."

At harvest time, weeds interfere with the cutting

crops. Weeds also reduce the flow of water in irrigation ditches, poison livestock, affect the taste of milk and other products, and provide living quarters for damaging insects.

Your food dollar is made bigger before you go to market by the farmers who have employed the wise and careful use of herbicides in modern agricultural practices.



The next time you try floor sanding with a mechanical drum sander, tighten safety techniques and assure a finer, sanding job by remembering the following do's and don'ts:

Don't start sanding until you've set all nails.

Don't start the sander while the drum is in contact with the floor. With the drum raised, start the machine and gradually lower it to the floor.

Also keep the drum raised when turning the sander around. This will prevent grooving.

Do start at one wall and move straight to the opposite wall. Then, raise the drum to prevent grooving; lower it again and walk backwards along the same path. This enables the drum to pick up dust created by the first pass.

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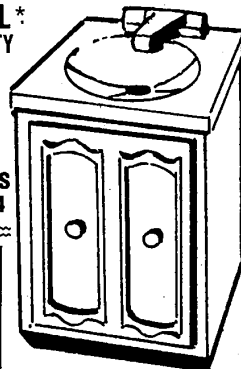


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