

Include Shelving When Decorating

Bell bottoms, body shirts, wide ties, and boots identify the campus swinger on the street. Can you tell one by his apartment?

The answer is yes if he is careful about his apartment's appearance as he is his own. There is no need to bring friends back from the rock festival to an apartment furnished with apple crates, brick bookcases, and art posters haphazardly slapped on the wall.

A shopping trip to the department store will make any young scholar's apartment as "with it" as his wardrobe, with enough left in the budget for a spring trip to the ski slopes.

Bare walls always present a problem. An afternoon spent installing "do-it-yourself" shelving, however, can con-

vert them into usable space with visual appeal. Shelving systems are available in a variety of colors or wood grain finishes to match any decor.

INTERESTING yet practical configurations can be designed using only the basic shelves, standards, and brackets. They make an excellent place for the stereo, tape deck, or television.

A more elaborate arrangement might include study desks, lamps, and wall cabinets which can be mounted on shelving brackets. This provides an excellent study facility while eliminating the need to take up usable space with a full-size desk.

When used creatively, shelving can eliminate the need for bookcases, desks and cabinets in any room in the apartment.

More than shelving is needed, however. Art posters or those great blow ups of W.C. Fields and King Kong add great visual variety. They look much better, however, if they are mounted on illustration board and hung like paintings.

Self-adhering picture hangers are exactly right for the job as they can be removed at the end of the term without damaging the poster or the wall. When interspersed with paintings and the shot of the old high school championship football team, an attractive art gallery is created which adds character at little cost.

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Cedar-Lined Closet Easy To Install

A basement, utility room or garage cedar closet can be built at low cost by enclosing existing shelves with aromatic red cedar wood.

This usually open shelving consists of lumber or plywood pieces supported by wood or metal legs. Such a common, homemade storage system lends itself to a cedar-lined enclosure.

As shown in the accompanying illustration, the home craftsman can easily use the narrow red cedar boards, which are tongue and grooved on their edges and ends, to make a six-sided enclosure.

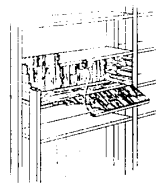
The boards simply are nailed to the wood supports, as shown, or in some cases directly to the shelf edges and ends. In addition, the underside of the upper shelf and the surface of the lower shelves should be covered too.

The idea is to get the strongest possible aroma of cedar, which moths and their larvae detect.

A cedar-lined door, hinged at the bottom, can be made by nailing the joined cedar boards to 1 x 2 inch lumber along their edges.

To make tight corners where the cedar boards meet, miter the outer edges of the corner boards.

A few dollars spent on a simple project like this can provide the homeowner an ideal, bonus place for storing



youngsters' mittens, snowsuits, sports gear, scarves, sweaters and the like. Clothing put here won't be crowding closets in the bedrooms.

Use Rafters In Garage For Shelves

You can utilize upper space in a garage with exposed rafters by nailing hanging shelves from the rafters.

Frame with 1x6-inch boards or wider and inset shelves the same width on 1x1-inch shelf supports.

High shelves are useful for seldom needed items, or those that should be kept from easy reach of children.

Short ends of fir or western pine are inexpensive and easy to work with.

Suburban Gardener

Test Garden Visit Shows What's In Store For '72

By BETTY FRANKEL
Annuals are the glory of local gardens at this season of the year.

The seeds or tiny plants committed to the ground so hopefully in spring are fulfilling their promise now. They blaze forth in an incredible array of colors and forms. There's hardly a garden in the area that doesn't have some annuals blooming now.

They fill in the gaps in the perennial beds, are massed to fill an entire border with season long color, cascade from window boxes, brighten street-side planter boxes, or provide special accents on a patio.

Bright and gay as these petunias, and oxeye daisies and zinnias are in the garden, the display is as nothing compared to the show the annuals put on in a test garden, or in the fields where there are grown for seeds. There, acres and acres of flowers provide an unbelievable carpet of bloom extending across the fields to the horizon.

THE NORTHROP King Seed Co. in Minneapolis has test gardens in which All-America trials are conducted.

This is the most northern of the 28 such test gardens in the United States.

This writer viewed the fields there where new varieties and old standard varieties are being grown for tests and comparisons. Between 3,000 and 4,000 varieties are on display.



play — and nearly all are in bloom at this time.

The best of the new varieties will go on the market two years from now, and the very best of these will be given special awards and recognition and will be featured in the 1972 seed catalogs.

Among the All-America selections that were placed on the market in 1970 are a snapdragon named "Madame Butterfly" which has full spikes of large flowers that seem to have flaring wings. The colors include yellow, pink, scarlet, and bronze.

"BOLERO" marigold is a dwarf marigold of the French type with bright red and gold flowers.

Another low grower is the "China Doll" dianthus. This annual pink has flowers that come in shades of white, red, and pink with each color marked and banded with a contrasting shade. The edges are attractively scalloped.

"Early Call" is a morning glory that won awards and is new for 1970. It blooms a month earlier than other morning glories and flowers all season. The flowers, which are a deep rose color with a crisp white center, remain open until fairly late in the day.

Another note-worthy morning glory is Royal Ensign, a dwarf blue variety with plants that are low and bushy and not tall climbers. The plants bear a profusion of deep blue flowers.

Marigold "Paprika" is a little gem with single flowers that give it a very sprightly appearance.

AMONG the 1969 winners on display were several attractive zinnias. "Cherry Buttons" is a Tootie Thumb type less than a foot tall with small cherry colored flowers. "Rosy Future" is a large flowered type that is as pretty as its name implies. One of the most attractive of all is "Turk", a glowing vibrant shade of orange with a touch of yellow at the center.

Now, when the annuals are in bloom, is the time to look over the varieties that are being grown in the gardens of friends and neighbors and in public gardens. Make a note of those that catch your fancy or are just what is needed to fill a vacant spot in your garden.

Keep a record somewhere, such as in a garden notebook, and plan to try some of the new varieties next season.

Seeding

Autumn is a good time to insure the lawn against an insufficiency of desirable grass. A bluegrass-fescue mixture spread lightly provides grass seeds ready to vie with any weeds should strutting chauturf, bluegrass, etc., be not damaged by freezing.

Big Yield

A single Kentucky bluegrass plant can yield 700 to 800 feet of underground spreading stem (rhizomes) and over 1300 daughter plants in a single year.

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