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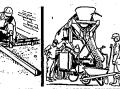
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Step 1. PREPARE THE BASS.

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where you want it. Stake out
the area to help you visualize
its appearance. Remove the
turf and at least four inches
of top soil. Compact loose soil
with a tamper or heavy roller.
Place a smooth, level one-inch
layer of sand to provide firm,
even support for your patio. Step 2. SET THE FORMS —
Your concrete patic can be laid out in almost any shape: square, circle, diamond, or free form. For a 4-inch thick slab, uso 2x4 boards on edge, nulled to 152-inch states driven firmly or 152-inch states driven firmly of the forms will be the surface grade of your patic. Be sure that water will drain property.



Step 3. ORDER CONCRETE

After the base is prepared
and forms set, call your local
ready mixed concrete dealer.
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building and that you want to
use concrete with 6 percent
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Step 5. FINISH THE SUB-FACE — After the surface water evaporates and the con-crete starts to stiffen, "float" the patio surface with a light metal or wood float. This pro-duces, a textured, slip-resistant finish. If a very smooth surface is desired, finish with a steel trowel. But remember that the smoother the surface the more Step 6. CURE THE CONCRETE — Cure the concrete
properly to produce a strong
durable surface. For best results keep it wet for at least
six days after placing or cover
it with a plastic film as shown
here. Wet buriap or straw are
equally good for curing. Your
concrete patio should provide
many sessions of endormers.

E. Kelth Owens, chairman dollars of insurence in force of the board and chief executive officer of Alexander Hamilton. Life Insurance Company has shown a practil as of the first quarter ending March 31.

He unconceed that this is a highly significant accomplishment inasmuch as mostnew life insurance companies do not show a statiotory profit until approximately the seventh to the tenth year.

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be attributed to the continuing and excellent efforts of the company's sales force, economies effected in operations during the past year, and to the contribution made by the acquisition of Wayne National Life Insurance Company last year.

The first quarter sales written amounted to approximately its million with a total premium income of \$2.6 million. The Farmington based company has

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Stagger Plantings Of Summer Bulbs

No article on summer-blooming bulbs would be com-plete without mentioning glads, Start planting now and repeat at two-week intervals several times more for a longer season of bloom.

Step 4. PLACE THE CON-CRETE — Place the concrete as near as possible in its final position. Don't spread it from one central pile. Sp a de the concrete thoroughly to help con-solidate it. After the concrete is placed, strike it off with a 24 resting on the forms as shown here. This insures a flat, level patio surface. Keep level patio surface. Keep could be surface. Seep could be surfa

If you like the very big ones, get the giant show type, For indoor use, however, more moderate-sized varieties are available and for arrangements use mindatures, For colors consult any good glad catalog or your local garden center.

For planting, prepare the soil as you would for a vegetable garden. Spade, up the soil at least 8 inches deep, incorporate thoroughly a 2-inch layer of humus in most areas and 3 to 5 pounds of any good vegetable fertilizer per 100 square feet, raking it level.

Then dig your furrows and plant the bulbs 6 inches deep and 6 inches apart in rows 18 to 24 inches apart or in irregular clumps in the flower or shrub border.

. . . NEXT MOST POPULAR ARE the dahlias. Here there is also a choice of height, giant or dwarf. Even more you can get flowers

Friendly Gate

A garden gate should be doorlike-an inviting entrance, not a barrier. For an open ap-pearance, good privacy, design yours of spaced slats nailed on both sides of the frame.

of all sizes and forms; singles' collared, button, cactus, formal chall-like) and informal with less stiffy-arranged petals.
Set the tubers in holes 6 to 8 inches deep, preparing the soil as above. For the larger type stake - now when planting. It won't tear the roots as it would later.
However, for a sweet scent throughout the garden, especially in the evening, plant to horse set, waxy - white flowers that are most fragrant. Use no to separate them. Wait until replanting time.
Like the tuberoses, exceedingly fragrant but only a foot high instead of 30 inches, is the ismene, large snow-white, with spidery flower parts sticking out well beyond all the others. One of the quickest bloomers, it often takes only a month or less. Plant the large bulbs upright 6 inches deep in well-prepared soil.

TWO LITTLE-KNOWN, gladio-

TWO LITTLE-KNOWN, gladio-lus-like flowers are the acidan-thera, white with marcon markings and the montbretta in

markings and the monthretia in yellows, reds, browns, ornage, etc. The acidamthera is also sweetly-scented, Wonderful for cutting. Plant 4 inches deep and 4 inches apart.

For something really unique try the tigridia, three horizontal pelats, with a deep cup in the center and spotted like a leopard in the cup, will alightly will produce many shoons. Plant like acidantheras. All colors.

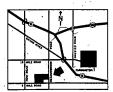
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