

Care of Garden Tools Big Job During Summer

Now that the lazy summer months are upon us, there is not much to do in our gardens outside of keeping them well watered and fed. So let's go into the garage or tool shed to clean up and fix the garden implements and check supplies.

By far the best way to keep your garden tools in good repair is to care for them regularly, of course, cleaning them properly after each use. However, periodic refurbishing is recommended.

Sharpen the edges of small tools such as edgers, saws and shears. Clean them well. Kerosene is a good cleanser. . . and then oil. Do the same with the larger implements like the shovels, spades and hoes. Good cleaning and oiling prevents rust and will give these tools longer usability.

Don't forget the lawnmower. The blades should be sharpened, nuts and bolts cleaned thoroughly and all moving parts oiled. If the handle is beginning to look a little dingy, put on a coat of bright red paint. This will not only improve its appearance, but will help preserve it.

Now let's check the garden supplies. For your Fall lawn and planting you will need plenty of good fertilizer and a soil conditioner. In addition to insecticides, such as Bogey, and weed killers you should keep on hand at all times.

Checking your garden now, you'll find, will save you lots of time later on when you need some of these tools in a hurry and find they are rust-covered.

THREE SNAPS

Waterbury, Conn.—When Richard Stepputtis climbed a tree to take some pictures, snap went the camera. Snap went a limb and snap went Stepputtis' ankle.

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BEAUTY AND THE BOYS . . . Three members of the Torrance Youth Band, Gary Rippstein, Jim Thompson, and Ricky Bernardin, watch in awe as "Miss California," Sandra Lea Constance of Torrance, passes by. Nearly one million

people watched the two-hour parade of beauties in the "Miss Universe" competition at Long Beach Sunday. The youth band is active in furnishing all musical units for the annual parade.

THINGS TO TALK ABOUT

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MILK PRODUCTION IN THE U.S. LAST YEAR WAS ESTIMATED AT 119 BILLION POUNDS (ABOUT 2 QUARTS PER DAY PER PERSON)

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HAND METHOD

Before the thermometer was invented, physicians measured the degree of bodily heat with their hands.

Seacoast Dwellers Have Variety Of Shrubs to Landscape Houses

People who live near the ocean height and width. Its leaves are the year around, or maintain a part-of-the-year home on the coast, must like ocean winds and salt spray. And the California Association of Nurserymen points out that shrubs for landscaping a seacoast home must share these enthusiasms.

Excellent shrubs for seashore windbreak plantings are the Bottle Brushes. One of the best of this grouping in withstanding ocean exposures is Pink Melaleuca, which is a neat, rounded shrub with gray-green leaves of small size. In late spring and early summer this variety offers dense rose or pink flowers.

The flowering Cistus or Rock-rose family has many rugged members that literally thrive in salt spray and ocean winds. These evergreen shrubs also withstand heat and are drought resistant enough to grow on California deserts. Once established they are not particular about soil but require pruning and fast surface drainage. Hence, they are a good planting for dry banks.

Require No Pruning
For hedge, screen or wall planting, Mirror Plants (C. Baueri variety) are one of the very best shrubs since they require no pruning. Shiny, glossy, oblong leaves, some three inches in length, are complemented during part of the year by greenish or white flowers and small yellow and orange berries. They grow rapidly to ten foot height; six foot spread.

Evergreen Escallonias also like the seashore where they will take full sun. Varieties of this shrub group grow to various heights; have clusters of small white, pink or red flowers and leaves ranging from dark-green through bronze-green.

Planted on a high bank to assure good drainage, the evergreen Grevillea (G. banksii variety) has small clusters of exotic red flowers that bloom intermittently during the year. Of open growth, this shrub grows from two to ten feet in

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Lomita Citizens Plan Study of Area Zoning

A group of citizens organized to promote and coordinate zoning in that community heard John Richerson of the Los Angeles Regional Planning Commission present a tentative zoning plan at a meeting in Lomita Park last night.

The new-formed Lomita Zoning Advisory Committee has elected Tim McCormick, 1733 W. Pacific Coast Hwy., chairman.

"This is a matter of self-preservation," McCormick said. "Property values in Lomita have been lowered as a result of the lack of zoning laws. We are trying to prevent the construction of various types of buildings within a small area."

Buildings Varied
As a part of Los Angeles County, there are no zoning regulations in Lomita. McCormick indicated that there was particular objection to construction of residential and business structures in the same area, as well as vari-

ous zoning plan, and discussed its effect on Lomita.

Mrs. Edith Smith is secretary of the committee. Other members are Glen Keith, Leonard Loy, Mrs. Frank Atkinson, Mrs. Bruce Schweitzer, Mrs. Lloyd Fowch, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ross, Mrs. Mary Shurgot, and Ray Bullock.

The group will acquaint residents of Lomita with zoning regulations, laws governing zoning of property, and try to show benefits which can be derived from careful zone planning.

Discusses Zoning Plan
The group heard Richerson discuss the county's proposed mas-

DROWNS SAVING BROTHER

Cumberland, Md.—When his 16-year-old brother fell from a raft on the Potomac River, Cedro Guallo, 19, dived in after him and towed the boy to shore. Just as he pushed him safely to the bank, Cedro himself disappeared in the deep water. His companions, four other boys beside the brother, Benny, searched for him. His body was found two hours later.

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