

Ivy Used As Screens, Lawns, to Fill Holes, and to Hide Slopes

The gardener's use for ivy is almost limitless. He can hide a barren slope with its lush cover or use it to fill a bed. It can be grown up to hide a post and cut to cover a wall. On a wire fence it will make a dense screen and in a tub it can be shaped into a mounding pyramid. You can even grow it in a pot. And even if you grew it everywhere, ivy has enough variations to ward off monotony.

The ivies most common to California are Algerian ivy, English ivy and Hahn's ivy. Nurseries have countless varieties, but the California Association of Nurserymen claims that most of them are forms of the above—especially English ivy.

YOU FIND all varieties in all parts of the state, but Algerian ivy is more commonly seen in Southern California since it is best adapted to warm climates. This is a large leaf ivy with only slightly

lobed edges. Its variegated form is probably the most often seen—and easily identified. English ivy is smaller of leaf and the leaf edges are more deeply cut. Its ability to sport new form is seemingly endless, which accounts for the many slight variations to be found in the ivy family all answering to the name "English ivy." It is harder to heat and cold, and will cling to almost any surface.

THE SMALLEST leaf among ivies that is to be found in the general nursery trade is that of Hahn's ivy. It is a slow-growing, but exceedingly attractive vine that is much used in pots and window boxes. When planting ivy, it is well to remember that little growth can be expected during the first year. In its second season, however, just when the gardener begins to wonder how long it will take to fill in, ivy

really takes off. And on walls and trellises it's much the same. After taking a while to set its aerial roots firmly, all at once, away it goes. Food is seldom necessary but occasional watering helps—especially early in life. And severe pruning back when plants grow out of bounds will be necessary. This can be indiscriminately done, however, so there's no need for special care. None at all.

Cello Concert Slated July 23

Internationally known cello virtuoso George Neikrug will join Sidney Stafford for an evening of chamber music at the Breytpraak-Stafford music studio in Redondo Beach Sunday evening, July 23, at 8 p.m. The program is the second of a series. After this appearance, Neikrug will leave for Europe where he will teach at the Hochschule fur Musik in Frankfurt, Germany.

California Bank Reports Rise In Bank Assets

Total resources of United California Bank increased by \$186 million since March 31, which was the end of the quarter following the merger of California Bank with First Western Bank and Trust Co., according to Frank L. King, chairman of the board. Total resources were \$2,139,840,263 on June 30 compared with \$1,953,840,616 on March 31. Deposits on June 30 were \$1,916,700,810, an increase since March 31 of \$180,412,443. NET OPERATING earnings of United California Bank for the six months ended June 30 were \$5,312,333 or \$1.23 per share based on the average 4,307,418 shares outstanding. Total capital funds on June 30 were \$164,877,079, consisting of \$63,136,012 capital stock, \$63,787,635 surplus, and \$37,953,432 undivided profits. LOANS INCREASED during the quarter from \$1,063,609,666 to \$1,122,375,208, and United States Government Securities moved up from \$391,725,981 to \$432,501,647. The Bank of Encino, whose deposits were approximately \$18 million and loans approximately \$10 million, was merged into United California Bank on June 20.

Disneyland Trip Plan Completed At Alondra Park

A trip to Disneyland on July 19 is being planned by Alondra Regional Park. This annual trip is for everyone. There is no age limit. However, children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent. This trip is for a full day at Disneyland for the following prices: 12 and under, \$3.47; 13-17, \$3.92; 18 and older, \$4.37. This is for a 10-ride book and bus transportation. For those not wishing the ride books, transportation is \$1.00 plus a general admission ticket to be purchased at Disneyland. All reservations and money must be in to Park Director Gordon Murley not later than July 14th. For further information call DA 3-8125. This program is under the sponsorship of the Dept. of Park and Recreation, County of Los Angeles.

CHP Offers Advice to Vacationers

You can drive to and from work all year and never meet a number of situations which will crop up during a two-week motoring vacation, California Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden reminded motorists this week. "On a vacation trip you will make many more stops than you are accustomed to, such as at view points, eating places, service stations or lodging facilities. Signal your intention to turn off, and when you park, make sure your vehicle is clear of the roadway. "Every stop means a start. When you pull back on the road, check to the rear for approaching vehicles. If you are driving through areas previously unfamiliar to you, remember that the roads also will be unfamiliar. Allow for this by easing off on your speed," he said. "Road signing also assumes more importance for the vacationer. Make it a point to keep track of signs, so you will be in correct position if a turn is required. "Finally, vacation trips often put your car through extremes of heat. Have your radiator and battery checked frequently, and cruise at reduced speeds during the warm afternoon hours when tires are more likely to overheat," the commissioner said.

Singing Group Seeks New Members

The good old songs in barber-shop quartet style have come to life again in the Harbor area. Now congenial men are joining their voices in furrowed harmony each Monday night at 7:45 p.m. at the Anderson Memorial Recreational Center located at 9th and Mesa Sts., San Pedro. The chorus practice rehearsal is sponsored by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber-shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. The call is out for more top tenors and basses but whatever part you enjoy singing, come out next Monday and join in the fun. You are cordially invited to attend.

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