

DOWN TO EARTH

# Esquire Gardeners Turn Floral Artists

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Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

Whoever said that flower arrangements are only for women?

Recently the Frank Boyers on Jonathan Lane entertained members of the Little Garden club and their husbands. The men were given an abundance of flowers and containers to choose from with the understanding that their masterpieces would be judged according to the Grose Pointe system, namely: color combinations, position, Italian influence, Chinese character and community wild flowers.

Those men who carried the leading points and won a blue ribbon were Russell Norris, David Underdown, Roy Kiefer, Duff Shardslow and Al Hopkins. They were given the ribbons by the president, Mrs. Kiefer and judges, Mrs. Shardslow and your columnist.



Mrs. Burlingame where they like to be planted where there is plenty of humus in the soil.

It is possible to divide them any time of year except during the intense heat of midsummer. In my test plot for shade loving plants (this test plot looks like our entire rear garden), I am enjoying for the first time the Hosta Sieboldiana which has huge, deeply veined, glaucous-blue leaves. The flowers are white.

YOU WILL LIKE to use hosta lilies because of their flowering habit in July, August and September. These lilies may be white or lavender, depending on your selection. They also are effective when used as a hedge along a shady wall.

They are stunning along a border of a woody plot next to the grassed area due to the texture of the leaves. These leaves may be a solid green or glaucous blue as I just described or a variegated leaf of green and white. These perennials are also pest free except once in a while a slug thinks he has hit a choice morsel.

PEOPLE TURN GREEN with envy, blue with cold and purple with anger. Plants change color when they are unhappy, too. If leaves turn yellow or light green, your plant may be hungering for nitrogen.

If the edges of the leaves turn yellow or brown, you may need more potash in the soil. Nitrogen gives the fine dark coloring to plants. Phosphorus gives early root formation and growth. This element will make your plants flower earlier and makes the total plant harder. Potash makes a plant strong and tends to make it disease resistant. Most of our balanced fertilizers have the best combinations for all plants.

If you select a fertilizer with a formula: 10-0-4. The first figure represents Nitrogen, the second phosphorus while the third figure stands for the potash content.

IF YOUR LAWN appears brown, consider the following reasons. You may be cutting off too much grass at a single mowing. If more than a third of the total is removed at one time, the grass develops a "state of shock." There may be grubs and insects at work. If there are scattered patches, you may have a fungus disease.

Have you applied a severe over-application of chemicals? Another reason for a dried up brown appearance on your lawn may be due to the soil drying too fast due to a rain wind. A quick run-off after a rain won't penetrate the roots. Yesterday a neighbor showed me a lawn built on sandy loam with turf on a hill. Those grass roots haven't a chance to grab some rain due to the topography and the sandy loam. One way of correcting some of the trouble would be to apply a generous topping of Michigan peat to act as a sponge.

LEGAL NOTICES

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STATE OF MICHIGAN - The Probate Court for the County of Oakland. In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN LEONARD KESSE, Deceased.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Court in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 1st day of July A. D. 1960.

Present: Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate. Order appointing time for hearing claims.

Notice is hereby given and it is hereby ordered that the time and place for hearing on claims against the above estate shall be the 3rd day of October, 1960, at nine o'clock in the forenoon at the Probate Court in the Court House at the City of Pontiac, Michigan.

All creditors and claimants against the above estate are further notified and ordered to appear thereat at said hearing and prior to said hearing to file written claims therewith with this Court and with the fiduciary of this estate, under oath, containing sufficient detail reasonably to inform the fiduciary of the nature and amount of the claim.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause by delivering a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing such copy to each of them by registered mail with return receipt demanded addressed to their respective last known addresses as shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is further Ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE Judge of Probate. 19, 20, 21

STATE OF MICHIGAN - The Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County on the 7th day of July, A. D. 1960.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of GEORGE HENDRICK HEIDEMAN, Deceased.

Virginia W. Heideman having filed in said court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to the petitioner or to some other suitable person, and for determination of the legal heirs of said deceased.

It is Ordered, That the 8th day of August, A. D. 1960, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause by delivering a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing such copy to each of them by registered mail with return receipt demanded addressed to their respective last known addresses as shown by the files and records in this cause.

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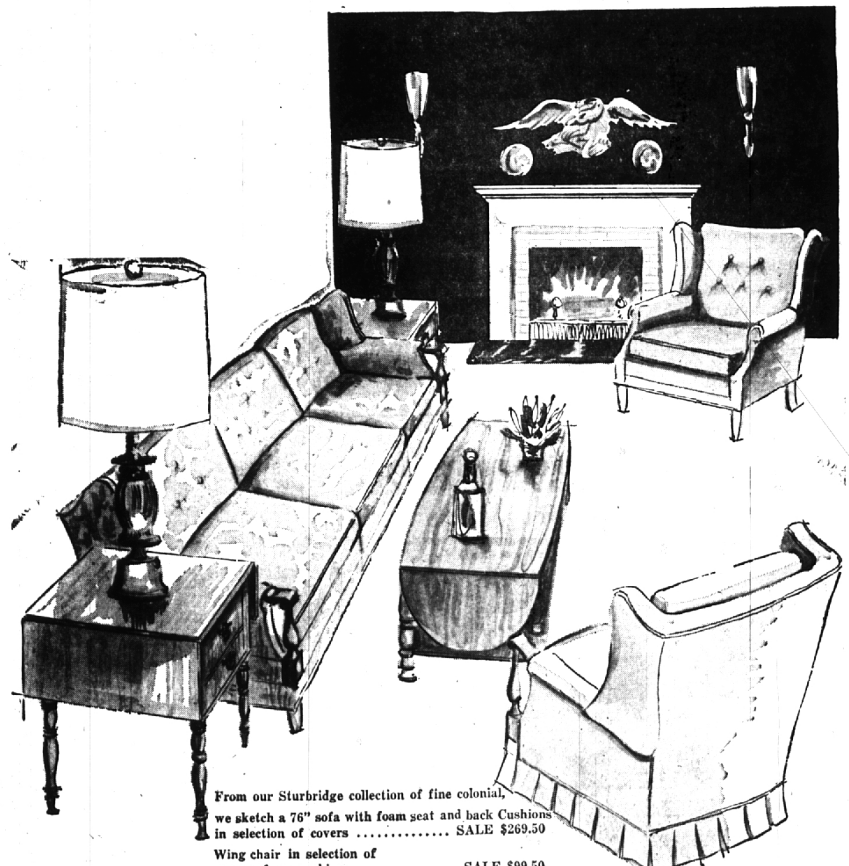
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