

DOWN TO EARTH Japanese Theme Highlights Pool

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Many local gardeners are in step with the times by using materials expressing the Japanese influence in design. Namely, they are making groupings of boulders on their property, using driftwood in small intimate planters and now using Japanese lanterns give the 1960 touch.

The John Mains of 352 South Glenhurst has a beautiful kidney-shaped pool, which is 40'x22' wide, eight-and-one-half feet deep and made of ground marble chips (marble). The marble which has been moulded to look like cement, red, white and chemical are in the white pool the water in the swimming pool takes on a turquoise color. This pool is well placed in their rear yard that no grass is needed with the cement apron. A beautiful terrace made of rose-colored natural brick is placed in sharp sand in a basket weave design. The attractive furniture is wrought iron with a background of well-selected plantings of shrubs and evergreens. The leaf texture considered in the choice.

THE GROUNDS are of course enclosed by a six-foot red wood fence with vertical louvers to allow a free ventilation of air with a large redwood door completes the background. Back to the Japanese touch, the Mains have an e-ki-ki, a Japanese pan-a designed like a Japanese Teahouse which is 10'x20', divided into three sections with three redwood construction. One area has a garden room which is entered through the garage for the storage of garden equipment, the center has shelves screens made by John Mains and is used by the guests for changing to swim suits. Within this guest room are senhose hangers from Hong Kong, a large Japanese red lacquer cabinet and other appropriate oriental accessories. The third section houses the mechanical equipment for the operation of the pool. The enclosed yard has beautiful lighting which supplements the underwater lights from the pool. There is a large Japanese red lacquer lantern which sets on a rock from Jackson, Mich., it flooded you, not from Hong Kong. There are also hanging Japanese lanterns. Plant interest has been introduced by the densely planted white petunias at the entrance to the large swinging door from the driveway, plus the decor set by the weeping cherry with smooth marble chips for much in its square bed. Red geraniums with border of white sweet alysum provides an accent.

TO HAVE A successful, happy LEGAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD TO THE OWNERS OF OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND: Lot 22 thru 84 inclusive; Lots 86 thru 90 inclusive; Lots 124 thru 133 inclusive of Berkeley Villas No. 2, Section 23, also parcel of acreage known as C-332-A, also parcel of W. 1/2 of 8E 1/4 Sec. 24, "Berkeley Villas No. 2", th. S. 75°04'5" W. 125.00 ft. to the NW 1/4 Sec. 24, "Berkeley Villas No. 2", th. S. 75°04'5" W. 125.00 ft. to S. line of Parkstone Lane, th. S. 89° 51' 30" W. line of Parkstone Lane 344.75 ft. to NW cor. Lot 15 "Berkeley Villas No. 2", th. S. 20° 31' 20" W. 182.00 ft. to NW cor. Section 23, Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Special Assessment Roll has been prepared and is on file in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination. A public assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the following described improvement to the property benefited therefrom: Grading and constructing a curb, concrete pavement and work incidental thereto on Jackson Park Drive from Fourteen Mile Road to Waldwood Drive, Berkeley Villas No. 2, also parcel of acreage known as C-332-A containing 1.30 acres in Section 23, Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the Township Board will meet at the Township Hall in the Township, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on August 8, 1960, for the purpose of receiving and acting on the assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto.

ROBERT H. DUDLEY TOWNSHIP CLERK, 21, 22 Harold Helger, Atty., 2037 First National Bldg., Detroit 26

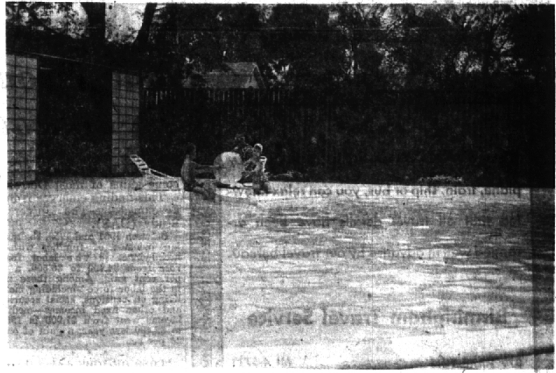
NOTICE is hereby given and it is hereby ordered that the time and place for hearing on claims against the above estate shall be the 15th day of October 1960, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate Court in the Court House at the City of Pontiac, Michigan: Any creditor or claimant against the above estate are further notified and ordered to give their claims at said hearing and prior to said hearing to file written claim therewith with this Court and with the fiduciary of this estate, unless the creditor or claimant deems it reasonable to inform the fiduciary of the nature and amount of the claim. It is further ordered that notice be given to the creditors of this estate personally or by mailing such copy to each of them by registered mail with return receipt demanded addressed to attention of the undersigned at the address shown by the files and records in this cause. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order on 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, 21, 22, 23

the area who has their welfare assigned to them? How about this pool operation. Isn't it a lot of work for the hours of use you enjoy it? "Not at all," said our hostess. "The secret is to plan your landscaping so that you do not have grass, also a wide apron around the pool is important. You have to select plants which will not have dirty habits."

"WE VACUUM once a week and men guests often volunteer for this task. The pool is skimmed once a day for leaves. We backwash every three weeks which cleans the filter. To start the season we use a professional service. When the pool is filled, we tap the hydrant and secure a permit from the city. A hydrostatic valve keeps the pool from lifting if water collects underneath it. In the fall we prepare it for the winter by floating logs and covering the surface with a plastic. John places antirust in the pump for winter."

THERE ARE MANY bonuses for the job of being your Down To Earth reporter and I couldn't wait for the pictures to be taken so that I could accept the invitation of the Mains for a swim in this beautiful pool with its Japanese decor. I will vote for the installation of pools in Birmingham, Summer, Michigan and Birmingham make a wonderful combination for all.



A Pool Surrounded by Good Planning

Mrs. John Mains and her two children relax near the pool that they have graded near the pool that they have graded with a Japanese motif. Behind them is the six-foot redwood fence of vertical louvers. Plant interest along the fence includes well-placed shrubs and flowers.

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