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ut a Palm ... Your ...arden

...ong the most striking plants ...e world are the palms ...e they are hardy, as in much ...uthern County; they are from ...e. Some, too, are wonder- ...tolerant of indoor conds ...

...ilms are loosely classified in ...different groups—those with ...like fronds and those with ...feathery fronds. Not illogi- ... they are called fan palms ...feather palms. Each type of- ...the gardener a variety of ... and shapes to choose from ...

...e Queen Palm is a slender ...ical beauty, topped by ...hery head of waving fronds ...ber feathery palm, one that ...ever planted not only in size ...h hardiness as well, to many ...fornia gardens than the above ...w Pindo Palm. This is unbeau- ...with arching bluish green ...es along the top half of its ...h slow-growing to an even ... 25 feet at best, usually less ...

You can start this one young ... a potted or tubbed speci- ...n in the outdoor living area ...o move it into the ground as ...e matures. It does well in the ...

...T FOR TUBS

One of the best palms for grow- ...indoors—or in tubs around ... patio or terrace—is the Sya- ... palm, or Brazilian Feather ...m. This delicate little number ...ds only six or seven feet ...n fully grown and takes a ... number of years to reach ...l height. It is tender to frost ...d should have protection when ...own outdoors in much of the ...ate. Moving it indoors for win- ...r and out for the summer.

The Pygmy Date Palm is prob- ...ly the most widely planted of ...e palms grown in tubs and ...ckers. It has finely cut fronds ... slender trunk and a mature ...ght of only five or six feet ... is hardy outdoors in a good ...rion of the state.

The tropical Date Palm is tall- ...er and more tender; with a pic- ...uresque trunk that tends to re- ...ine or lean, much as the palms ...f tropical islands do in the pic- ...ures. It has the habit of sucker- ...g at the base and many gar- ...eners encourage this, preferring ...e thinning effect of many ...unks to the few which are sup- ...ported on the slender trunk.

Among the tan palms the Mex- ...an Fan Palm is most widely ...own. A towering tree for avenue ...lantings and for limited use only ...n the smaller home garden (as ...the lower fans are removed ...s they give way to new growth ...and the trunk takes on a picturesque ...ppearance of this palm is greatly ...enhanced when the dry thatch of ...dead fronds is left clear a tall ...trunk or naked knee.

...ther fan palms that deserve ...ore popular acceptance are ...he Chinese Fan Palm and the ...Ribbon Palm or Lady Palm ...a clumping habit of growth ...and a rather delicate texture ...of leaf. Another with a clumping ...habit of growth is the Guadalupe ...Palm, which is rather hard ...to get started but is worth the ...effort. Fishtail Palm is another ...clumping palm, but it is rather ...tender to cold.

Palms are relatively undemand- ...ing and will grow in most soils ...if they are given adequate drain- ...age. Be sure to plant them ...high enough so that the crown ...is above the surrounding soil ...level. Most palms are heavy ...feeders and should be fertilized ...regularly with a complete fer- ...tilizer.

Don't Let Power Mower Cut You Along with Lawn

Nationally, 70,000 accidents with power mowers will occur in 1962. This is the mid-season of accidents with power lawn mowers. A little forethought and caution can save many cut fingers, shocks and bruises from flying objects as well as safe equipment.

The Ventura County Farm Advisor's office lists the following safety suggestions for automated lawn mowing:

1. Police the lawn first to remove all rocks, sticks and other objects the mower can throw. Remember rocks can be thrown through windows too.

2. Keep persons and pets away from the operation. Flying objects are hazardous. Don't turn over the job to a newcomer for kicks.

3. Keep hands and feet clear of moving parts. Wear good shoes for protection. Don't let the mower get hand until you're sure the blades have stopped spinning.

4. Work along slopes—not up and down. You might slip and have a foot cut in the machine or worse.

5. Keep control of the machine. A "dead man" clutch should stop the machine when you leave the drive position for safety.

6. Be careful of electricity. All outside appliances should be equipped with 3-wire cords. One can be sure of this by a ground to short stray currents through the machine and not you.

7. Be careful of gasoline. Keep it in a safety can, not a glass jar. If using an automobile gasoline the carburetor will stay cleaner if you put in just enough fuel to do the job each time. Drain the carburetor if left for long periods to avoid gumming.

8. Bring the oil level up to full mark. Change it at least as often as the instruction book says. Oil is cheap by comparison to repairs.

9. Remember to clean the cooling fins of the air cooled engine often. Overheating will burn the cylinders and rings causing loss.

TRADITIONAL

For a Cape Cod, American or Dutch Colonial house, use white painted fencing. Fences can be either Douglas fir or western red cedar, both highly recommended woods for exterior use.



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...to this category since smaller, less expensive structures can be erected quickly when the components are built at a factory on a mass basis. Of course, prefabs

5 Plant Cyclamen in pots or in the ground for bloom through winter and well into spring.

Prospective purchasers should be certain they know exactly what has to be done to make the home complete. They also should investigate all aspects of the fin-

Unused School May Get Buyers

Fillmore Elementary District trustees have learned that at least six people might want to buy the unused nine-room Mountain View School.

Board members this week discussed the matter for the old building. They will meet again on the topic on Sept. 25, but no formal action to authorize advertising for bids could be taken until the October board meeting, Dave Lloyd Emmert reported.

The building is no longer in school use.

In other action, the board approved 12 substitute teachers; a junior high school tuition agreement with the high school, bus routes; new board rules for conducting public meetings; and a revised teacher handbook.

The district tax rate for the district will be $1.80 this year, Emmert announced, rather than the $1.80½ he had estimated.

DARK ROOMS?

Rooms that tend to be dark may well get a character change by installing wallpaper with lighter, brighter colors.

10 Keep a clean spark plug gap. It might help correct poor starting. Learn the adjustments and possible choke positions on the carburetor. It might help you with faster starts and more power.

11. Keep belts tight enough not to slip. Replacements are usually not easy to find. Keep nuts tight and safety guards in place.

The power lawn mower saves a lot of hard work and worry if used correctly and maintained properly.

Oxnard School Overflow Eased

Oxnard Elementary School District's 13 double-session classes are apparently enough to accommodate the overflow of students in the fourth and fifth grades, despite jumping enrollments.

Dr. Alvin Robinson, assistant superintendent, said Wednesday the district expects another 200 to 300 pupils to show up this week. Opening day enrollment was 5,741, and had climbed to 6,072 by Friday, he said.

"There is some crowding and some re-arranging probably will be done," Dr. Robinson said, but administrators believe no extraordinary actions will be needed.

Fifth graders at Kamala and McKinna Schools, and sixth grades at Kamala, McKinna and Ramona, are on the half-day schedule.

Helpful Hints For the Home

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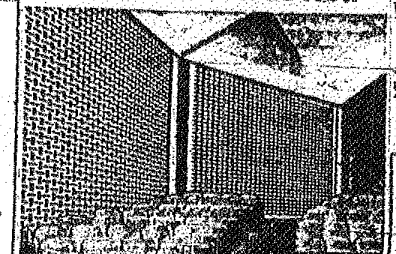

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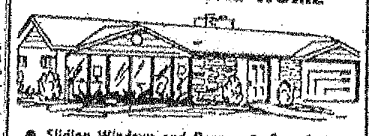

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