

Managua, Nicaragua - A Wonderful Town

A few years back, everyone was echoing the refrain of a then popular hit song - "Managua, Nicaragua is a wonderful town." But, on Christmas morning of last year, when the smoke that billowed from ruins of the capital city began to settle, it was obvious to all that Managua was anything but wonderful. The major earthquake that struck without warning (two days before, had completely devastated the once proud city and more than 200,000 people were homeless and without hope.

There is no accurate estimate of the number that died in the quake; it could have been 3,000 or maybe as many as 7,000. We will never really know. Mass graves, without markers, contain the decomposed bodies of hundreds, hurriedly buried in order to avoid the threat of pestilence and disease that loomed like a huge vulture over the rubble of the city.

The injured - as many as 30 or 40 thousand - roamed the ravaged streets, dragging with them the paltry remnants of their material possessions.



Home destroyed, everything gone - a Managuan family on Christmas morning, 1972.

Their anguished cries for help reverberated through the brisk morning air, one louder than the other.

Help came swiftly and sure



Downtown in that "wonderful town" on Christmas, 1972. Catholic Relief Services, along with a score of other voluntary agencies, moved in to action to aid the stunned victims of this tremendous calamity.

With amazing haste, food and clothing were dispatched by trucks from CRS warehouses in neighboring Central American countries; new shipments bound for other Latin American ports were instantly rerouted to the disaster area.

In less than two weeks from the time the first tremors shook Managua, nine million pounds of food, and a quarter of a million pounds of clothing had been transported to Nicaragua by Catholic Relief Services. Urgently needed medical supplies, water purification tablets and first-aid kits were also shipped directly from New York to Managua with lightning speed.

Once again, Catholic Relief Services - America's Good Samaritan - had miraculously reacted. "At a moment's notice."

The second phase of Catholic Relief Services' involvement in the Managua calamity has begun. Sixteen days after the disaster occurred, CRS sent its first shipment of re-

building supplies to Managua - \$25,000 worth of hammers, nails, shovels and wheelbarrows.

Many similar shipments have been sent by CRS since then. The tedious, painstaking task of reconstructing the city of Managua will not be accomplished overnight. But, with



The tremors have stopped - except in empty stomachs.

the generous help of the concerned American public, Catholic Relief Services will do everything it can to make Managua once again "a wonderful town."

To support this vital effort, send your tax free contribution to Catholic Relief Services - Nicaragua Earthquake Relief, 350 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10001.

South Of The Border — In Georgia

PINE MOUNTAIN, GA. — Callaway Gardens, popular resort at the foothills of the Appalachians south of Atlanta, is going even farther south — South of the Mexico!

"The Many Faces of Mexico," a three-day program celebrating the art, music, dance, cuisine, history and customs of the Mexican people, will be staged at Callaway Gardens, February 15-17, 1973.

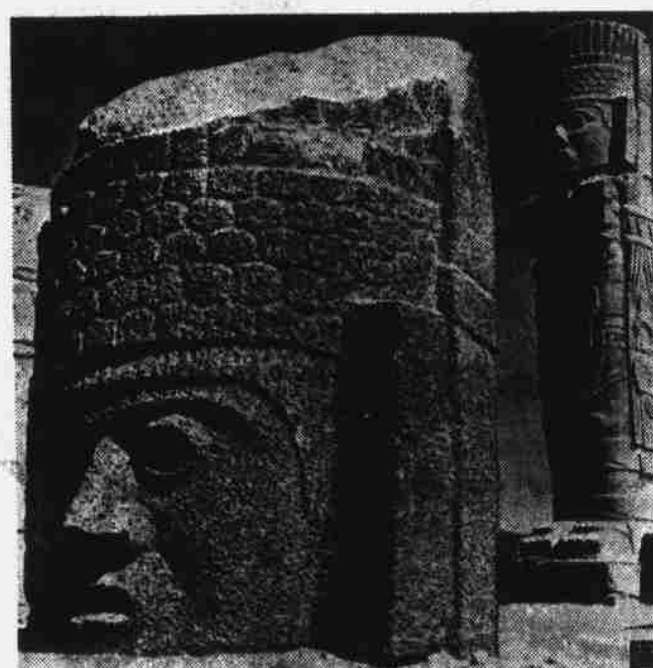
This event, the Garden's fifth annual international program, will feature programs to acquaint the visitors with the great wealth of Mexican culture. Distinguished speakers will give informative lectures and exhibits of pre-Columbian and modern Mexican art will be shown. Mexican folk art will be displayed and studied. Mexican cuisine will be served exclusively and mariachis will lend music to the festivities. A rare performance by the Grupo Folclorico of the University of Guadalajara will be given Friday evening, Feb. 16. Other programs will take place, rounding out a unique sample of Mexico, its land, people and culture.

The purpose of the annual international event is to promote understanding and appreciation of one nation's cultural contributions.

The festivities begin Thursday evening, Feb. 15, with a reception honoring his Excellency, the Ambassador of Mexico and Mrs. Jose Juan de Ollouqui.

A lecture series entitled "A Panorama of Mexico" by Henry Clifford, curator of painting and sculpture for the Philadelphia Museum of Art, is a highlight of the program. It will be an illustrated lecture depicting Mexico's thousands of years of art, customs, history and architecture.

Mrs. Diana Kennedy, presently residing in Mexico and author of the popular new



"The Many Faces of Mexico" at Callaway Gardens will bring many examples of pre-Columbian sculpture. A replica of the 16 ft. warrior from the Toltec tribe's famed Tula pyramid will be on display. The festival will take place February 15, 16, and 17.

volume "The Cuisines of Mexico" will supervise all the Mexican meals, including the reception for Ambassador de Ollouqui. She will give demonstrations of food preparation in a Mexican kitchen.

Another distinguished visitor and speaker will be Tonush Cutierrez, the dynamic young director general of the National Commission for Crafts Development in Mexico City. He will lecture in Spanish with English translation on popular arts in that country today. He and his wife are authors of a book which traces the historical developments of the popular arts in Mexico.

Antonio Toussaint, director of the Mexican Society of Industrial Credit and an authority on Mexican architecture and historical monuments, will discuss changes in architecture

during the colonial period. Other featured lecturers and artists will be Russell Hicken, director of the Jacksonville (Fla.) Art Museum on "Early Mexico . . . and Today"; artist Miss Pilar Castaneda; American artist Gerry Bosch; Hugh and Susanne Johnston, producers of the award-winning travel documentary "Viva Mexico"; and Hector Cardenas, counselor of cultural affairs for the Mexican Embassy in Washington, conducting a program on regional costumes. This is a unique fashion show featuring 30 wedding gowns from different districts in Mexico and with Mr. Cardenas discussing the various customs and traditions of each dress.

For information on this program write Box DMS, Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia 31822.

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RALEIGH -- By using your sewing skills to make lovely lingerie for gifts, you not only save money, you also put a bit of yourself into the gift.

"A variety of patterns and fabrics are available," says Harriet Tutterow, extension clothing specialist, North Carolina State University. "With trims, in the form of laces, appliques and ribbons, you can add your own individual touch. Elastics can also be used as a decorative part of the garment."

Fabrics for slips, panties, gowns and peignoirs should be soft and light, adds Miss Tutterow. Nylon tricot has been the most popular fabric used for making lingerie, but don't overlook the possibilities of cotton and cotton blends in gingham, challis or other soft fabrics with a permanent press finish.

No need to be conservative with colors if you are making something for teenagers, Miss Tutterow adds. Bright and deep colors are very "in" now.

Nylon fleece and

quilted fabrics, in both synthetics and cotton, make lovely robes. Coordinated prints in flair and quilted fabrics would make delightful gown and robe sets.

Miss Tutterow says that bedroom scuffs to match gown and robe

sets, often expensive, can be easily made from scraps of lingerie fabrics. Use foam or fiberfill on the soles and toe section of the scuffs.

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Q) I earn some money freelance writing. How do I arrange to pay social security tax on this income?

A) Persons who are self-employed receive social security coverage through the self-employment tax. You must file an income tax return and pay self-employment tax if you have net earnings from self-employment of \$400 or more. IRS Publication 533, "Information on Self-Employment Tax," will give you the details. For a free copy, write your Internal Revenue district office.

Q) I had a lot of medical bills this year, which I intend to pay in January. Can I deduct them on my 1972 returns?

A) No, you may deduct medical expenses only on the return for the year you pay them. Assuming you pay your medical bills next year, you may deduct them on your 1973 return.

Q) My son has banked more money this year than I have spent on his support. Does this mean that I will not be able to claim him as a dependent when I file my tax return?

A) No. It is only when your son spends his earnings on support items that these amounts count as his contribution toward support. If your son qualifies under all the other dependency tests and if you have furnished more than half of his

total support, you may claim him as a dependent.

Q) My wife is going back to work in January. Will enough tax be withheld on working couples next year or should we arrange for additional withholding?

A) You should check with your employer to determine if additional withholding is required. Although most single employees and most married employees whose husbands or wives do not work can generally expect to have their full tax withheld, working couples may still be underwithheld.

Estimate the amount of tax that will be withheld from your wages next year and the tax you will owe. Then adjust your withholding to take care of any expected liability by filing a withholding certificate, Form W-4, with your employer, claiming fewer exemptions and, if necessary, having additional dollar amounts withheld.

Garden Time

New Landscaping Guide Will Aid Home Gardener

By M. E. Gardner
N. C. State University

From time to time I think it appropriate that I review a publication which I can recommend to my readers as being a useful and valuable guide when making plans for landscaping a new home or reorganizing the present plan.

Each person has some appreciation of order and beauty regardless of whether or not he puts forth much effort in improving the appearance of his own surroundings.

Which plant should I use to best complement the whole? How tall does it grow? Is it evergreen? Deciduous? Does it bloom? Does it have attractive foliage? Is it too large for a small yard? Does it prefer full sun? Deep shade? Dappled shade such as given by pines? These are a few of the questions you need to have answered. I am sure, too, that you can think of others.

The title of the book I am referring to is "Carolina Landscape Plants." It is well written, well organized and well illustrated with line drawings. It will be helpful to the home gardener, the nurseryman, the landscape architect, the landscape design student and the teacher. In fact it was written by a landscape design teacher.

It runs the gamut of suitable plant materials for the Carolinas as represented by the contents: evergreen ground covers; evergreen vines; deciduous vines; evergreen shrubs, 1-4 ft.; deciduous shrubs, 1-4 ft.; evergreen shrubs, 4-6 ft.; deciduous shrubs, 4-6 ft.; evergreen shrubs, 6-12 ft.; deciduous shrubs, 6-12 ft.; small trees, evergreen and deciduous; large trees, evergreen and deciduous.

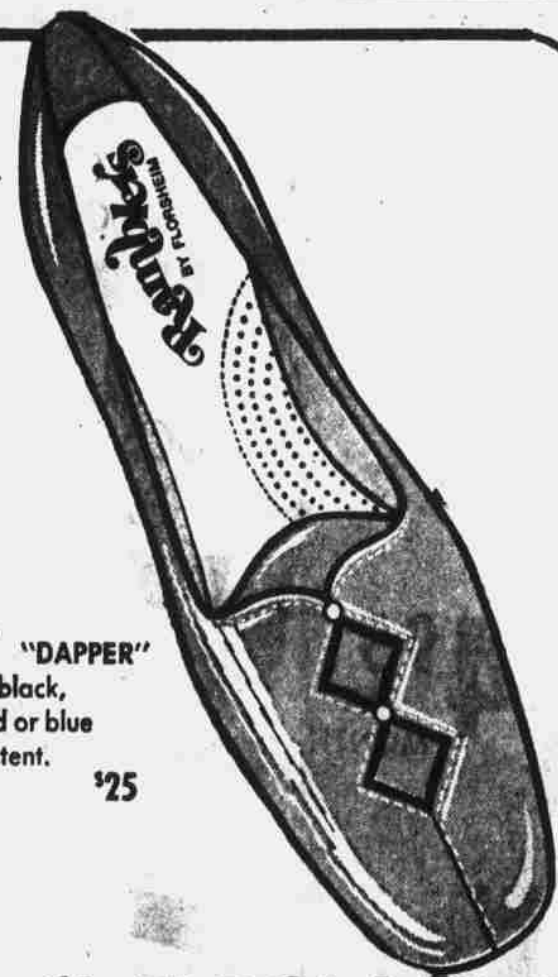
Another fine feature of the book is the description of the individual plant given in the above outlined classes. Here we

find the family, genus, species and common names; size, height, spread, etc.; form, compact, spreading, upright, foliage and fruit; texture, coarse, medium, fine; color, foliage, flower and fruit. Culture, gives the environmental requirements of the plant -- sun, shade, soil,

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moisture, hardness, growth rate and some of the more common pest problems peculiar to the individual plant.

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Where to plant in the landscape is given real good treatment for each plant described.

If you would like to purchase a copy of this valuable guide, let me know and I will send you the address of the publisher as I am not permitted to give it here.

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