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Painting House Isn't Too Big A Job to Tackle

Like Eating Steak, It's Easy by Taking Little Bit at One Time

Until American homeowners learned how to do things themselves, most thought that painting a house was something like painting an elephant — too big to tackle.

But now they know that painting a house is like eating a steak. When you divide the whole thing into bite-size sections, the undertaking is simple.

If your house is overly large or terrifying tall, you may still feel hesitant. If this is the case, you'll be interested to know that it's usually possible to find a painting contractor who will take the "high road" while you take the "low one."

Such cooperative contractors will give you pointers on procedure while you work as a member of the team.

Check for Repairs

To begin with, it's important to check over all exterior areas of your house to see where repair work is needed. Boards may have rotted and should be replaced.

Peeling paint is a warning that destructive moisture has forced an entrance. Its source needs to be traced so the delivment may be stopped. Rusted metal also needs careful attention. All rust must be taken off with sandpaper, steel wool or wire brush.

Prime New Surface

Where new wood is added — or old coatings are completely removed — the surface must be primed. Nail head indentations should then be leveled with putty. Where rust is removed, the bare metal should be coated with a primer devised for the purpose.

It goes without saying that all rough areas should be sanded smooth and that all cracks should be filled with either putty or caulking compound. Loose dirt should also be whisked off with a dusting brush.

Gather Materials

After your surface preparation is complete, it's highly important to round up all the tools and materials you'll need so you'll have them within reach, once you begin the actual painting.

Check to see that you have stirring paddles, solvent for cleaning brushes, wiping rags, drop cloths to protect the shrubbery, strainers — if the paint has been previously opened, a paint can opener, necessary ladders and brushes of the proper sizes.

For siding, you'll need a 4-inch brush; for trim, 2- or 3-inch one and, for window sash, one of the brushes designed for the purpose.

Paint Trim First

On upper sections of the house where a ladder is needed, paint the trim before you paint the body of the house. In this way you'll avoid marring newly painted areas with the top of your ladder. When you're working near the ground, however, you can reverse the procedure, if you wish, and paint the trim last.

A favored way of painting the siding on a clapboard house is to paint first the under edge of the board where it overlaps its adjoining neighbor. Next, with a full brush, unload spots of paint along a single width within the area in which you are painting. These spots should be quite close together.

Jalousies Do the Job



Today's jalousie windows make it easy to add a room or enclose a porch. Controlled ventilation and beauty are two features of this type of window.

Tar Heel SPA Considers Markley Grain Elevator

The P. R. Markley Grain Corp. of Philadelphia is interested in putting a grain elevator at one of North Carolina's ports.

A grain elevator means storage facilities for grain and the mechanism for loading and unloading the grain.

At present there is a grade-loading mechanism at the Morehead City port that is without the elevator-type storage unit.

John H. Frazier Jr., representing the Markley firm, told the State Ports Authority last week that he is interested in having a grain elevator at either Morehead City or Wilmington, or at both places.

He outlined advantages of a grain elevator at a North Carolina port as follows:

1. North Carolina producers would be benefited immensely, due to a competitive export market for their products and because of lower transportation costs from the North Carolina area to a North Carolina Port rather than to Norfolk. We think it is possible that this could easily mean a million dollars a year or more return to the producers.

2. Construction of the elevator itself would cost in the neighborhood of \$700,000 to \$1,000,000. This construction would mean immediate activity to give employment locally.

3. Longshoremen's payroll and spots should be quite close together.

Finally, draw your brush through the spots, merging the paint and completely covering the board with the fresh coating.

Dry Weather Needed

The best time to paint a house is during a dry spell when the humidity is low. Don't start in the morning until the dew has dried from the surface. Then follow the shade, if possible.

When painting the side of a house, start at the highest point and apply paint in horizontal strips about three feet wide. Never stop in the middle of a strip for any great length of time.

You'll have fun with your painting. Furthermore, you'll enjoy the fruits of your industry for a long time to come. Your newly painted house will delight your eye and renew your pride in your home.

The new coat of paint will also give you the satisfaction of knowing that it's standing guard over the important investment your home represents.

elevator payroll would be assets to the community.

4. Increased commercial activity because of the handling of grain. Almost all commercial elements of the Port would benefit, including banks, stores, insurance companies, power companies, etc.

5. Additional vessels act as a wheel within a wheel. They stimulate greatly imports and exports. More ship sailings mean greater opportunity to book cargo. More lines will make regular calls.

6. Eventual tonnage aim would be 450,000 tons per year. Minimum normal export requirements for a break-even basis would be 180,000 tons. This would really put Morehead City on the map as a Port if such business should be accomplished.

7. If elevator is at Morehead City, State of North Carolina will receive 4% of Southern Railway revenue applied to North Carolina haul.

8. At the end of the 25-year period, the ports authority would own the grain elevator.

Mr. Frazier said that before his firm would build an elevator here, the SPA would have to set a policy of no wharfage fee or charge for moving cargo over the state port docks.

The grain firm would pay \$1,000 a year for exclusive rental of the transit shed located along the "old dock."

Mr. Frazier pointed out that his firm might be able to buy a grain elevator property at another port for a reasonable price if the SPA felt it could not meet his requests in North Carolina.

He pointed out that concessions to his firm are necessary because of elevators owned by railroads, or free use of privately-owned elevators operated by railroads.

The SPA is considering the proposals by the Markley firm and has been asked by Mr. Frazier to make a decision in the immediate future.

Youngster Disappointed When He Gets New Sister

Pella, Iowa (AP)—Four-year-old Mark Wessellink, who has two older sisters and was hoping for a baby brother, expressed keen disappointment when the news came that he had a new baby sister.

"Oh, shucks," Mark complained, "I suppose she'll grow up to be a girl, too."



TODAY

- 9-11 a.m.—Clinic, Morehead City Hospital Annex
1-4 p.m.—Clinic, county health center, Beaufort. (Shots administered during these hours only)
6:45 p.m.—Rotary Club, Scout building, Beaufort
7 p.m.—Business and Professional Women's Club, Legion hut, Beaufort
7 p.m.—Adult Farmer Association, Newport School
7 p.m.—St. Andrew's Men's Club, parish house, Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—Coast Guard Reserve Unit, Coast Guard Station, Fort Macon Road
7:30 p.m.—Ocean Lodge, Masonic hall, Morehead City
8 p.m.—Folk and Square Dancing, recreation building, Morehead City
8 p.m.—Women of the Moose, lodge hall, Atlantic Beach
8 p.m.—Board meeting, Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, chamber office

WEDNESDAY

- 9 a.m.—Typhoid Clinic, Camp Glenn School, Morehead City
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.—Social Security representative, courthouse annex, Beaufort
7 p.m.—Flight C. 9948th Air Reserve Squadron, municipal building, Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—Esther Rebekahs, recreation building, Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—Heavyboat Army Reserve Unit, Legion hut, Beaufort
8 p.m.—Rosary-Altar Society, St. Egbert's Catholic Church, Morehead City
8:15 p.m.—Literary and Art Dept., civic center, Morehead City

THURSDAY

- 9-11 a.m.—Clinic, county health center, Beaufort. (Shots administered during these hours only)
1-3 p.m.—Clinic, Morehead City Hospital Annex. (Shots administered during these hours only)
6:30 p.m.—Rotary Club, Rex Restaurant, Morehead City
6:30 p.m.—Lions Club, Hotel Fort Macon, Morehead City
6:45 p.m.—Ann Street Methodist Men, educational building, Beaufort
7:30 p.m.—Odd Fellows, recreation building, Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—National Guard Unit, Camp Glenn Armory
7:30 p.m.—Newport Order of Eastern Star, Masonic hall, Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—Woodcraft Sportsmen's Club, Woodman hall at Camp Glenn
7:30 p.m.—Odd Fellows, lodge hall, Beaufort
8 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting, 426 1/2 Front St., Beaufort

FRIDAY

- 9 a.m.—Typhoid Clinic, Harkers Island School
12:30 a.m.—Pre-School Clinic, Harkers Island School
7:30 p.m.—Duplicate Bridge Tournament, Inlet Inn, Beaufort
7:30 p.m.—Woodmen of the World, Camp No. 336, Newport
7:30 p.m.—American Legion and Legion Auxiliary, hut west of Morehead City
7:30 p.m.—District Committee Meeting, Boy Scouts of America, civic center, Morehead City

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