Garden Time

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Shade and flowering trees have many uses in the land-scape. They are essential for a beautiful setting and for gracious living. They not only provide shade and color but can be used for framing the house,

windbreaks.

Now is a good time to check your landscape and plant trees that will blend, harmoniously,

background, screening and for

with the surroundings.

Right now I am having my annual battle with leaves. However, this is only temporary because I am dutifully raking them up and carrying them to the compost pile where they will work for me later on. If they are left in the street they clog the drains when floated in by heavy rains. If too many are shredded with a rotary mover on the grass, you may have trouble.

Perhaps a list of some of the more desirable trees will be helpful to you in making selections. First the small flowering trees: dogwood, sourwood, crapemyrtle, flowering crabapples (there are many kinds to select from), service-berry, Japanese cherries, sweet bay, goldenchain tree, mimosa (only wilt resistant sorts), white fringe tree, American mountain ash, saucer magnolia, American holly, flowering plum.

Of the shade trees there are the oaks: live, laurel, Darlington, white, northern red, scarlet, willow, shingle, chestnut, swamp chestnut and southern red; the Maples: Norway, sycamore, red, sugar and southern sugar maple.

Others include red and green ash, Kentucky coffee tree, American beech, southern magnolia, linden (basswood), white ash, pecan, hickory, pine, hackberry, river birch and yellow birch.

Your local nurseryman can help you with the lists supplied.

If he cannot, let me know and I will try to put you in touch with a source of supply.

From lack of moral strength empires fall.--Mary Baker

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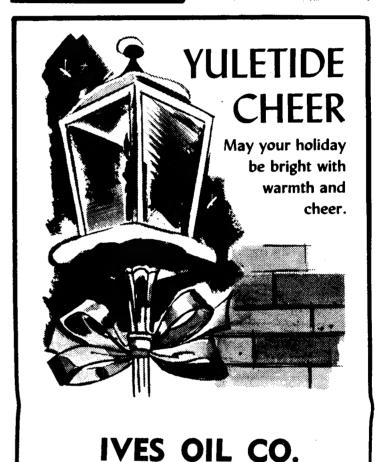
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