

## White Clothes —Less Scrubbing

20 Mule Team Borax will take a mighty lot of hard work off your shoulders on wash day. This Borax softens the water—it helps the soap neutralize and drive out the dirt—it saves scrubbing and it makes your clothes snowy white.

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## MULE TEAM BORAX

will cut the grease and put a fine polish on your china and glass-ware. When you take a bath, sprinkle 20 Mule Team Borax in the water to cleanse the pores, refresh the skin and destroy perspiration odors. Other uses on package.

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## Our Farm Women

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### HOUSE BLESSING

BLESS the Four Corners of this House,  
And be the Lintel blest;  
And bless the Hearth, and bless the Board,  
And bless each Place of Rest;  
And bless the Door that opens wide  
To Stranger as to Kin;  
And bless each crystal Windowpane  
That lets the Starlight in;  
And bless the Roof-tree overhead,  
And every sturdy Wall;  
The Peace of Man, the Peace of God,  
The Peace of Love on All!  
—Arthur Gutterman.

### Porch and Window Boxes

THE woman who cannot look out through her windows through ferns or flowers misses one of the real joys of a home.

There are two kinds of flower boxes, those permanent ones outside the window or porch and fastened to it, then those which stand inside and have legs with castors on them. Each has its advantages; the first does not take up room in the house; the second can be used winter as well as summer and for decorative effect in the house as well as out. Moreover, it is readily moved to or from the sun.

In building window or porch boxes make them permanent by having galvanized iron linings; if you cannot do this, do not let it be an excuse for getting along without the boxes. Have the inner boxes made of galvanized iron and put a small drain pipe in the bottom of each. Close this with a cork when you wish to give the plants a thorough watering. In the bottom of the box put a layer of stones, over this lay one thickness of wire screening, cover with earth. At one end have a pipe, reaching to the bottom of the galvanized iron box. Water the plants through this pipe. The roots go down through the screening. Remove the cork when the plants are well soaked and drain off the excess water.

I have not found it a good practice to mix ferns and flowering plants. If you wish to mix them, put the

flowering plant in a pot and sink it in the earth.

### The Sleeping Porch Is Not a Fad

THE sleeping porch has come to stay. Since we have learned that fresh night air breathed in while we sleep burns up the waste tissue of the body, destroys its poisons and makes strong the fighting germs of the blood, we have learned to appreciate it. Every family that ever had a case of tuberculosis in it, every person who "catches bad colds," and everyone who has an occasional bilious attack or wakes up feeling her worst, should sleep out in the air.

Where there are two stories and a porch the roof of the porch can usually be utilized as the floor of the sleeping porch. Enclose the porch to a height of three or four feet from the floor. If there is a good roof, denim curtains fastened on rods with rings top and bottom make an effective protection for very stormy weather.

Plenty of blankets and comforts filled with wool or down are necessary for the sleeping porch. Put a wool blanket under the sheets as well as over them. A good knitted or Canton flannel night cap coming well down to the eyebrows will keep the head warm.

### Make the Floors Warm

WHEN you are building be economical elsewhere, if you will, but not with the floors. Make a double floor, if possible, on the principle that warm feet and cool head will make pale cheeks red. If there is anything in the world that makes work hard to do, it is to do it with cold feet and stiff fingers.

The best floor is made of quarter-sawn oak with very narrow boards, one and a half inch being a very good width. A floor of this kind will last as long as any house, is easy to keep clean and does not splinter.

The men who read, are the men who lead.

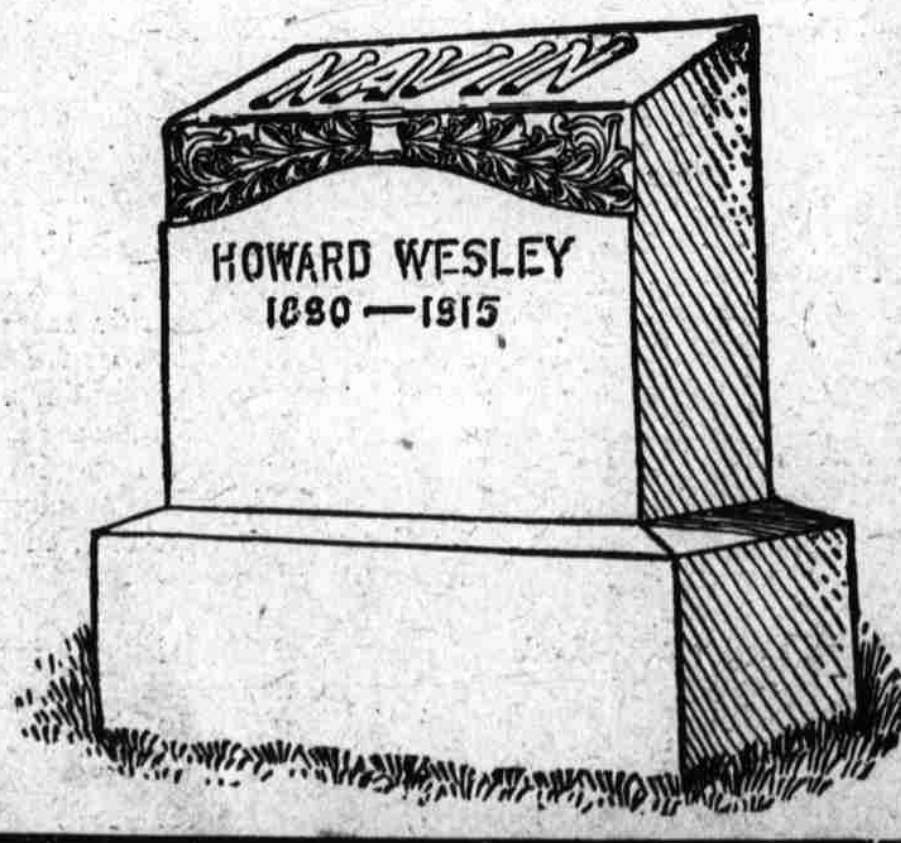
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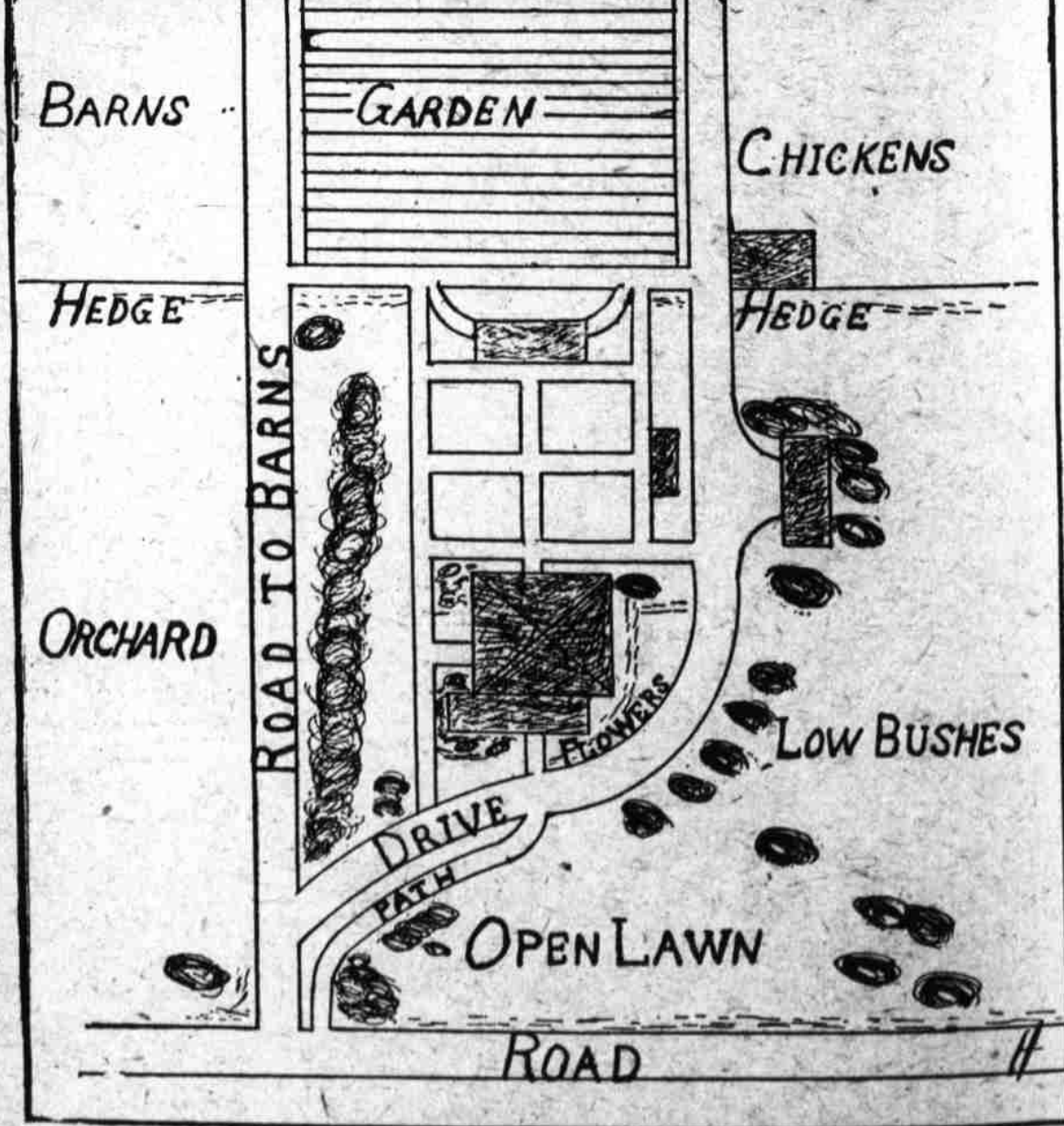
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### AN ATTRACTIVE LAYOUT FOR THE HOME GROUNDS



THE crowning idea is the house to which the open greensward ascends. The trees and bushes are massed into a framework for the house. Utility places the barns and outhouses near, a love of beauty keeps them partly obscured. The path and driveway reach the house by the contour of the slope.