

Problem?

## Why A Ground Cover

on the best kept location. Some are evergreen, some flowering, and some are creeping vines. The most popular of the common evergreen ground covers are: Vinca minor commonly called Periwinkle, or Myrtle — produces light blue flowers at this time of the year and bright green shiny leaves. It will stand shade

but prefers sunlight.

English Ivy — is an attractive evergreen vine with many different varieties. It is adaptable to almost any degree of sunlight and will stand full shade. It spreads rapidly and will grow in most any soil. However, do not plant it on a southern or western slope where the soil dries and bakes in the sun.

Pachysandra or Japanese Spurge — will stand partial or almost total shade. It is especially adapted to growing around shrubs but spreads slowly. It does not grow as well in full sunlight.

Cotoneaster — can often be used as a ground cover and is almost evergreen. The attractive berries in the fall and winter make this shrub one of the most desirable for many locations. Be sure to buy a low-growing prostrate variety for a ground cover as many varieties grow five to six feet tall.

Euonymus or winter creeper — has glossy green leaves of various sizes according to variety. It suffers from scale but it is easy to control with the new insecticides.

Dwarf barberry (Berberis) — is good for sunny locations.

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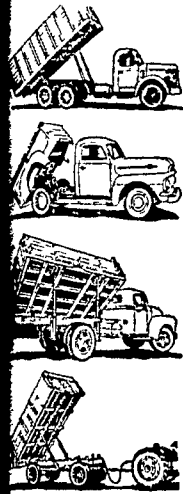
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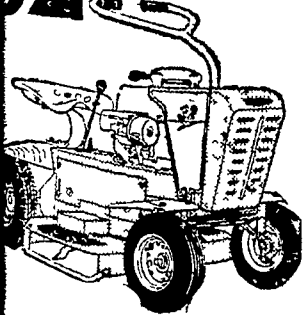
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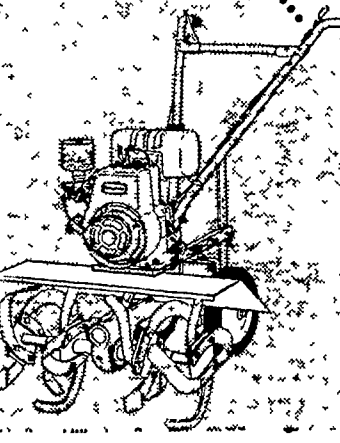
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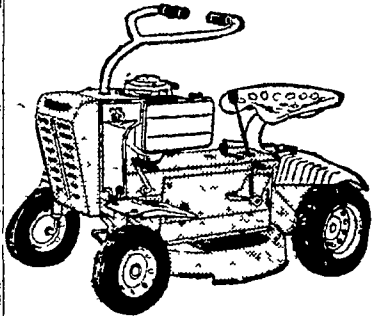
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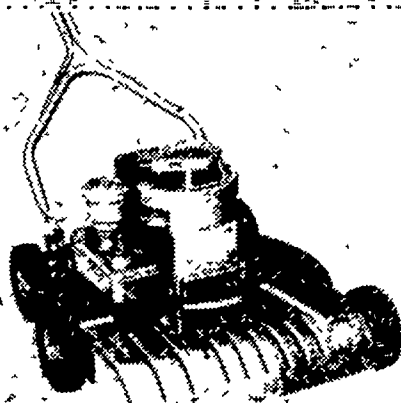
## Governor Proclaims Pennsylvania Clean-Up Week April 24 - 30

Harrisburg — Governor David L. Lawrence has asked Pennsylvanians to observe State Clean-up Week which has been designated for the period of April 24 through 30 by the Pennsylvania Rural Safety Council. "A concerted effort toward the goal of cleaner, neater farms and homes can do much to prevent tragedy from fire or accident and to promote a healthful environment for everyone."

The Governor said, "The advent of spring gives all of us the opportunity to restore our homes and farms to a condition of neatness and efficiency in the best tradition of the early settlers of our State. Rural Safety Council records show that many farm and home fires are caused by sparks igniting accumulated leaves, straw and other trash which has accumulated next to buildings and fences during winter."

Also urged by the Rural Safety Council, during State Clean-up Week, is a check of fire fighting equipment in the home and farmstead. Fire extinguishers should be checked, and refilled, water hoses should be connected and put to an operational test, and access to fire fighting water supplies should be cleared.

"Now is the time to dispose of winter's untidy by-products such as trash, litter and covers. Moist spots can be covered with plants such as Forget-me-Not and Dwarf Phlox. By covering those bare spots with ground covers, you can complete your landscape."



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