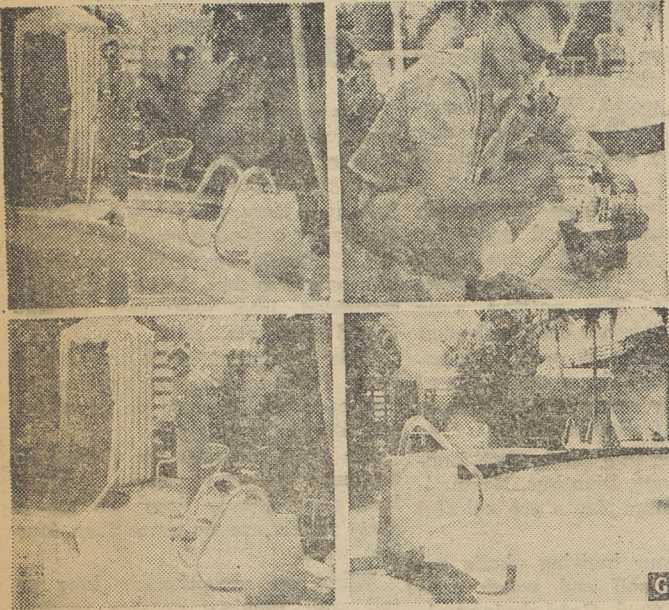


Greet Spring...

TAKING CARE OF YOUR POOL



It's a well-known fact—if you lead a youngster to water, you can't keep him out of it! A swimming pool in your own back yard is one sure-fire way of keeping the whole family—and often half the neighborhood—happily and healthily occupied all summer. Pools are fast losing their reputation as a rich man's toy—the cost of building them is now well within the means of more and more Americans.

However, unless swimming pools are well taken care of, they can be a hazard to the health of anyone who uses them, as well as an unsightly addition to the yard. Following approved steps for proper maintenance will assure a season of safe swimming in sparkling, clear water, reports Johns-Marville, producer of Celite filter aids for diatomite filters. Some of

the most important steps are illustrated in these photographs:

(Top left) Pools should be vacuumed at least once a week, and more frequently on windy days or when many people are swimming.

(Bottom left) Skim floating dirt and debris from the pool surface to reduce the work of the filter and automatic skimmer.

(Top right) Inexpensive test kits provide a safe, sure method of determining that the chlorine level in the pool is just right for proper disinfection, and not too high to cause swimmer discomfort.

(Bottom right) A beautiful pool, properly maintained and landscaped, as is this Pace Pool, can be the center of a safe, enjoyable summer of frolicking in clear, sparkling water.

Outdoors Prompts Ideas For Home Improvements

The Home Improvement Coordinating Committee predicts that soon—perhaps this year—American families will spend \$15 billion on home improvements.

In recent years, there has been a distinct trend toward outdoor living, and this trend is now reflected in some areas of home remodeling, the American Gas Association, Inc. (A.G.A.), reports.

The most common add-on outdoor remodeling project is the patio. It improves property value while providing family fun by creating a vacationland right in your own backyard.

The moderately handy homeowner can build his own patio with a variety of materials that are available. Tasteful gardening and landscaping further enhance the backyard, while outdoor lighting

adds a new dimension to property.

Like baseball, outdoor cooking has become a national pastime... a perennial favorite for family fun and relaxation. With recent developments in equipment, the advantages of a park can be right in your backyard.

Just as outdoor lighting lengthens day into evening, gas infra-red patio heaters extend the outdoor season, by concentrating the heat where but not the air around them, there-Infra-red heat warms solid objects it's needed. You and your guests stay warm, yet you aren't forced to heat the whole outdoors.

The best thing about bringing the great outdoors to your own backyard is that you don't have to do it all at once.

Early Coffee Drinkers Use Vacuum Bottle

Sleepyheads who want a cup of coffee the minute they open their eyes will welcome this timesaver. Make extra coffee at dinnertime and pour it into a vacuum bottle for early morning enjoyment.

Silver Care Tip

Fine silverware looks better with less care if you use it regularly, advises the Hagerty Home Care Institute, South Bend, Ind.

For Accent Wall

An intriguing accent wall for book corner or entry is made with paneling of battens, two-in-wide boards. Knots here add to the effect. Use a light-toned wood like western hemlock for a sunless area, a darker wood like western red cedar when there's plenty of daylight.

Water Skiing To Increase 114 percent

Government recreation experts predict water skiing participation will increase 114 percent in the next ten years. On the basis of current participation, this means there could be upwards of 17,000,000 skiers by 1977 and, as the American Water Ski Association says, "That's a lot of people having a lot of fun by any calculation!"

Clean Aluminum

Aluminum storm doors and windows should be cleaned at least once a year with a good Aluminum & Chrome Cleaner to remove grime and oxidation, advises the Hagerty Home Care Institute, South Bend, Indiana.

In the West, sawtimber from which the region's lumber is produced is defined as trees 11 inches and over in diameter at breast height.

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