

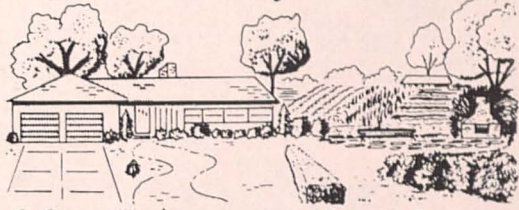
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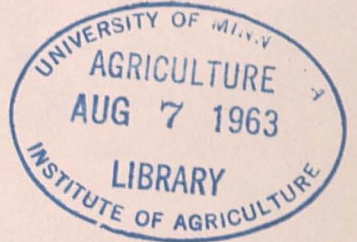
Yard 'n' Garden

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REJUVENATE YOUR HOUSE PLANTS

Early fall is a good time to rejuvenate and transplant house plants. Often during summer house plants tend to become overgrown and need to be repropagated. The transplanting and repropagating can be done now.

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Any plant which is infected with a disease should either be repropagated or discarded. Don't take a chance on spreading diseases and insects to healthy plants. If a portion of the plant is diseased, it may be possible to propagate from healthy tissues. Most house plant insects can be controlled with a malathion spray for house plants.

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Pot-bound plants should be shifted to larger sized pots. When repotting, use a good potting mix such as 3 parts garden soil, 2 parts organic matter and 1 part coarse sand. Add to this mixture 1 cup of superphosphate per bushel of mixture.

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Most foliage plants such as philodendron, pothos and ivy can be repropagated with tip cuttings. Make cuttings about 4 inches long and place them in sand or vermiculite. Cover the container with a plastic bag to maintain the humidity. Cuttings will root in 4 to 6 weeks. Then pot in a good house plant soil.

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