

# Garden Checklist

1. Once more we remind you, prune your fuchsias and geraniums. They will start to grow again very soon if not immediately, at which time you can start giving plant food.
2. As the early-flowering iris, Christmas roses and other perennials go out of bloom, lift them and divide.
3. Now is the time to plant your tuberous and fibrous begonia seedlings. Give them some shade in hotter areas.
4. Keep weeds removed and don't let them go to seed!

# The Tattooed Man Tagged As Man of Many Problems

The tattooed man is a man marked for trouble. Such is the conclusion of a University of Southern California psychiatrist who studied more than 400 male patients in a Veterans Administration hospital. Among them were 65 men who bore one or more tattoos. Dr. Joe Yamamoto of USC's School of Medicine and his associates at the University of Cincinnati and Tulane Uni-

versity compared the tattooed man with his unmarked fellows and found the man with the decorated skin full of behavior deviations, past and present. First of all, they found him to be more frequently divorced or single and in this they saw a man much more likely to have difficulty in making his adjustments with women, despite his stated desire to have a more "mas-

line image" than his fellows. Significantly, because they were investigating the men in a military hospital, the research team observed that—with the record of courts-martial and service-connected disabilities they found for the tattooed man—he appeared to be something of a liability for the armed forces.

More tattooed men came from homes marked by separation and/or divorce. There was more "nervousness" in those families. When he was a kid, the tattooed man was a more frequent truant from

school; he was arrested more frequently and sent to jail. Although you couldn't call him an alcoholic, the tattooed man's younger years were marked with arrests caused by drinking, more than for another cause. Dr. Yamamoto and his team classed the tattooed man as "impulsive" and more likely than others to want to "act out" his aspirations in both civilian and military life. The

tattoo appears to have become a symbol of masculine status in our culture, as witness the attention given to it in certain advertisements, the USC researcher observed. But he does not believe that the needle-traced blue and red skin stains will ever achieve the "class" distinction of the eye patch or of the saber scar of an earlier culture.

Although much of this research on the tattooed man brought a negative image, not all of the evidence about this man is negative, nor is some of the testimony as bad as has been previously indicated.

An earlier researcher thought the tattooed man to be a likely suspect for venereal disease. The USC psychiatrist was able to deny this after he and his associates checked the clinical records and blood serologies of the tattooed men they studied.

They also discovered that, despite his unfavorable record for courts-martial and service-connected disabilities, that the tattooed served the military as long, attained equal rank, and achieved as well educationally and vocationally as his fellows-in-service.

Why does a man get a tattoo?

"An impulse," was the most frequent answer to the USC researcher's question, along with his desire to "belong," drinking, and the ambition to impress girl friends. Most of these tattooed men got these body decorations between the ages of 19 and 21.

Associated with the USC psychiatrist in his research of the tattooed man were Dr. William Seeman, Department of Psychology, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, formerly of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City; and Dr. Boyd K. Lester, Department of Psychiatry, Tulane University Medical School, New Orleans, formerly of the University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Oklahoma City.

## Armed Forces

Airman 2.C. Frank R. Fowler, son of Mrs. Doris M. Evins of 21008 Victor St. No. 6, is being reassigned to McChord AFB, Wash., following his graduation from the technical training course for United States Air Force air armament mechanics at Lowry AFB, Colo.

The airman, a former student at Torrance High School, entered the Air Force in April 1963.

Cadet Donald E. Hickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray C. Hickman of 5502 Via del Valle, has been named to the Superintendent's Merit List for outstanding academic and military achievement at the Air Force Academy.

Cadet Hickman, a member of the class of '67, will be granted special privileges and will wear the silver star and wreath on his sleeve in recognition of the honors accorded him by the academy superintendent.

The cadet is a graduate of South High School and attended the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Marine Pvt. John T. Hosford, son of Mrs. Ida M. Guy of 2910 West 167th St., completed recruit training March 17 at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Stephen A. Horton, fire control technician 3.C., USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe U. Horton of 16934 Purche St., and Douglas O. Lafond, fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Lafond of 18108 Fay-smith Ave., are serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Ticonderoga, operating out of San Diego. They recently completed a three week training cruise in Hawaiian waters in preparation for departure to the Far East in April.

Pvt. Richard J. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah V. Powell, 5412 Sharynne Lane, is scheduled to complete advanced artillery training as a cannoner at the Army Artillery and Missile Center, Fort Sill, Okla., April 4. He is a 1959 graduate of North High School and received his A. A. degree from Antelope Valley College, Lancaster, in 1962.



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