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### CARE OF HOUSE PLANTS

#### (Experimental Farms Note)

In caring for house plants it should be borne in mind that they are of two classes and that such plants as ferns, palms and the rubber plant will do better in those parts of the room where the light is limited, while flowering plants, such as geraniums, tulips, narcissi and cyclamen, must have as much light as possible. Plants are more like human beings than like bric-a-brac and if grown to brighten the home during fall winter months they must not be left to take care of themselves or will they soon fail to fulfil the purpose of their presence.

There are not a large number of successful house plants and those which experience has shown are best suited for the purpose demand certain definite conditions. The fundamental condition relates to the atmosphere of the room. If this is suitable even the soil is of secondary importance. The atmosphere must be kept at a suitable temperature and also, for success, must contain plenty of moisture. A dry atmosphere, even when plants are well watered, is fatal to good growth. Regular watering is another important factor for success.

Plants will grow better in houses heated by hot water than they will in those heated by hot air or steam. The latter systems absorb the moisture from the atmosphere with the result that the plant either loses some of its leaves by withering or fails to make healthy growth. Pans of water stood on the radiators to give off moisture always improve the conditions for plants. The blooms will last longer when the atmosphere is kept somewhat cool and moist. The ideal temperature ranges from about 50 to 70 deg. Higher temperatures necessitate more frequent waterings. Some plants need to be watered daily, others not more than two or three times a week. A pot that rings hollow when tapped with the knuckles needs water. Over watering is bad for plants and only one or two varieties, like the spirea, will succeed if the pots are allowed to stand in water. All pots should be supplied with good drainage in the form of broken crocks filled in the bottom of the pot when the plants are potted.

Fresh air is always beneficial, but not in the form of direct draughts. A temperature of 40 deg. or lower will often seriously affect the tender house plants. Palms and ferns are the better for sponging once or twice a month. Fever water a sickly plant too freely; it more often requires to be repotted. Most plants will be benefited by a yearly repotting. Healthy plants and plants in flower require much more water than those which are sickly. Soil should not be watered so often that it becomes soggy and always cold. A plant with cold feet and a hot heat soon dies.

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