

long, because sturdier plants result from short stems. Cut it off the plant with a razor blade, not the finger nail.

Suspend the stem in a glass of water, as shown in the accompanying Garden-Graph. Fit a piece of soil or wax paper over a glass of water. Secure it in place with a rubber band. Slit two holes in the paper or foil. Insert the stems of the leaves through the holes so that the stem

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placed over the top will keep the humidity constant and thus hasten the rooting process. As shown, a brandy snifter is also good for starting cuttings.

If your plant suckers, cut off the sucker. Use a

If there are lots of iron pole supports in year basement, you can turn them to decorative advantage by painting them like barber poles, or by pain ting each one a different vivid color. This also serves as a safety measure.



- 1¼ tsp. sugar
- chopped warm hard-2 boiled eggs
- 2 small dill pickles

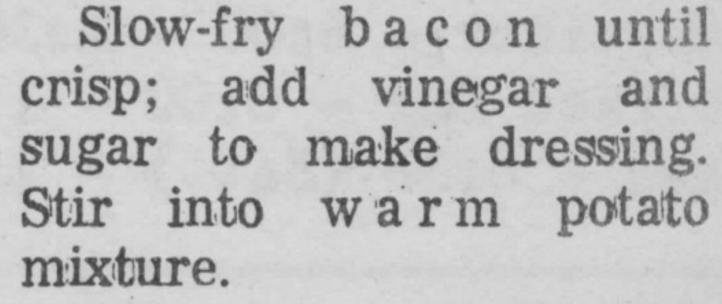
Small-dice potatoes; add onion and seasoned salt; keep warm.

small size pot filled with African violet potting soil. Press the sucker gently into the soil. Steady it in place with a hairpin. Keep moist and light, but out of the sun. Roots will soon develop.

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Stir-cook over low heat until very hot. Toss in eggs with fork. Garnish-quartered dill pickles.

Serve a cold tossed lettuce salad with this, made with not-sweet French dressing.

COFFEE-NUT GINGERBREAD

1 pkg. gingerbread mix 1 c. strong coffee beverage 1 egg, beaten 1 c. medium-chopped nuts, any kind

Make up gingerbread mix following pkg. directions, with following exceptions: use strong coffee instead of water, and stir egg into batter. Then fold in 3/4 c. of nutmeats. Transfer to 7"x11" shallow pan that has been oiled and floured. Strew remaining nutmeats over top. Bake 30 to 35 minutes in moderate oven, 350 degrees F. Cool slightly. Serve warm "as is" cut in squares, along with saucedishes of very cold applesauce for temperature contrast; or serve cold with whipped topping or lemon sauce.





For resort or for evenings at home here is a blouse of white crepe touched with silver and gold metallic threads. Its sleeves are of the shirtmaker type and the notched collar has tie ends.

It can be worn with daylength or ankle - length matching skirt or with black velvet pants.

The blouse is also available in sapphire blue, ruby red or emerald green.