

Here is a tale with a moral. A friend of mine had always wanted a cuckoo clock and on a recent visit to Switzerland he bought one. In spite of the inconvenience one he carried it with him on the return trip and triumphantly brought it home to the country, adding that the treasure was worth the effort. Something went wrong with it later and it was taken to the jeweler who opened it and found this inscription, "Made in Watbury, Connecticut." Now comes the moral. It is time, or rather, past time to be ordering bulbs, and for most of us beginners in gardening—and they are the only ones who are supposed to read the plots— it is unnecessary and also risky to order imported bulbs or bulbs from a distance. There are several reliable commercial growers of bulbs right here at home, a great many more at Grants Pass and more in the northern part of the state. Let us buy at home. Not all Swiss clocks were made in Switzerland and I understand that a good many of the "imported" bulbs never saw Holland or Japan and nobody