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THE HOME GARDEN

What is Home without a Garden?

DKK	WHITE	PALE YELLOW	CANARY	DEEP PINK
YELLOW	SCARLET	ORANGE	SCARLET	ORANGE

Color Scheme Border of Annual Snapdragon.

The Snapdragons.
Striking new colors in snapdragons—antirrhinum—are one of the features of the seed catalogues this season and the new colors are unusually beautiful. They have been appearing from time to time for several seasons past, showing the development of this beautiful flower which from an inhabitant of our grandmothers' gardens, has become a regular occupant of the greenhouses as well as the garden.

The new shades may be described as autumn tints, terra cottas, chamomile pinks, roses and crimsons shaded with yellow, oranges and flame colors in great variety. They lend themselves to summer bedding in magnificent style. They are also fine subjects for color paintings, grading the delicate shades from the whites and delicate tints to the black-crimson varieties. There are also a series of pink shades which are unusually attractive.

The half dwarf varieties give the best satisfaction in beds. They give more flowers than tall plants which are at their best under greenhouse culture, but run up to one single tall stem in the garden, while the half dwarf and dwarf varieties are more branching.

As it takes the snapdragon some weeks to develop its beauty, they are best started early in boxes to be transplanted, when the weather permits, to permanent quarters. The snapdragon is quite hardy and will stand considerable in the way of frost. It may be grown as a hardy perennial in well-drained soils by giving it mulch of leaves or straw in the fall when it usually survives the winter and springs up rapidly from the roots. It is likely to become woody and brittle of stem after its second year, however, and gives the best satisfaction when grown as an annual.

The seed is very fine and should be sown thinly and covered lightly. It should not be kept too wet during germination or in the very early stages of its growth. They should be set a foot apart in beds.

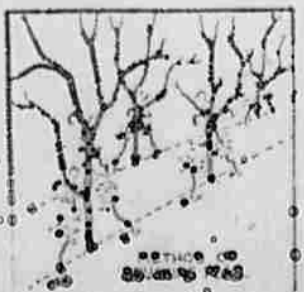
Early June Peas.
The very finest quality peas at the present time are neither, strictly speaking, dwarfs, nor are they tall. They are intermediate and while they may be grown as dwarfs and without brushing, they bear better when given the support of low brush or a narrow strip of chicken wire. These are the Gradus and Laxton types of peas, which vary from 30 inches to almost four feet, according to variety. All do better with support, although commonly grown as dwarfs. They give a heavier yield when held upright.

Of the very early peas of the wrinkled type, which is much superior to the earliest smooth-seeded type, Little Marvel still holds a high place among really dwarf peas, the vines being only about eighteen inches. It matures in eight weeks and is very hardy and of the finest quality. A little earlier is Market Surprise. Alaska and Maud S., smooth-seeded peas, still remain the earliest of all, of good quality if taken very young, but not equal to the wrinkled varieties, which are not so hardy and cannot be planted or cropped so early.

It is possible with the variety of peas now on the market to plan a good succession planting, starting with Alaska, Surprise, Little Marvel, Gradus, Laxtonian and Thomas Laxton.

However, it is better to depend upon a successful planting a week or ten days apart, as the season may be such as to bring the crapping of different peas too close together at maturity if planted at the same time.

The planting of peas in double rows, six inches apart, these double rows to be three feet apart, is about right for the more dwarf varieties, but if the more vigorous growing dwarfs are to be planted they will need at least four feet between the rows unless they are given brush or wire.



The round seeds of peas go in the ground as soon as it can be

dug, but it is best to wait a week or two for the wrinkled varieties to be on the safe side.

The peas should not be planted this year in the same position that they occupied last year. Neither should they be placed in ground occupied the previous season by beans for best results. A gardener should study his garden plan each year with an eye to moving the peas and beans across the garden, so that they will not occupy the same space in succeeding years. Of course, heavy fertilizing partly makes up for the exhausting of the soil, but it cannot wholly do so. These two vegetables take more out of the soil than the others and it is more necessary to see that they rotate.

Backyard Bermudas.
Many home gardeners have had substantial success in growing fine big onions by sowing the seed indoors or in hotbeds or cold frames and then transplanting the plants to the garden when the ground would permit.

It is the only way really big, mild, tender-fleshed onions can be grown in the north, and there are several types of seed, such as the Danvers and Prizetaker varieties, which are adapted for growing home "Bermudas." Alisa Craig is another favorite for big onions.

For young onions, sets should be planted for the first crop with the seedlings to come along for the second early crop, thinning them out to make room for those which are to develop into the big bulbs. Onion soil can't be too rich; in fact, the onion bed should be the best soil in the garden, both from a standpoint of fertility and tilth.

Sow the seed of big varieties of onions in the house and transplant them into the open six inches apart, if they are all to be grown for big onions, or three inches apart, pulling every alternate onion for young onions, leaving the remainder to develop.

The seed may be sown quite thickly in boxes indoors, or in frames, as the young plants, with their tiny erect spears take up little room. When transplanted, the tips of the leaves should be snapped off and they should be carefully set and firmed in the soil, without breaking over the tender stems. They need rather careful handling at this stage, but it is not at all a difficult matter to get them growing. After established, a light dress-

ing of nitrate of soda will set them springing.

CATHOLIC CHOIR TO SING

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, Apr. 7.—For the first time in centuries the choir of the Sistine chapel, which sings at the services in which the Pope officiates in person, is to appear on the concert platform.

The choir, the normal strength of which is 32 voices, has arrived here and are to give a series of concerts on behalf of the devastated regions whereby it is hoped to collect over 1,000,000 francs.

GRANGE HALL DANCING PARTY

(Special to The Observer)
GRANGE HALL, Apr. 8.—Ben Gekeler made a trip to Alceel one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McClay and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Knight and daughter, all of Upton, were callers at the Chas. Spencer home last Sunday.

Louise Salisbury of La Grande was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Golden, Saturday night.

A very enjoyable dancing party was given at the home Mr. and Mrs. Bert Grout last Saturday evening. During the evening between ninety and one hundred guests were served and a lunch which consisted of sandwiches, pickles, cake and coffee. The most amusing event of the evening was the large number of cars becoming "stick-in-the-mud" before the evening of fun went into history. Ladd Canyon was well represented. Those present from that district were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Council, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hopple, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grandy, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing, Frank Council, Roy Peesler, Eugene Banton, Johnnie Tucker and Miss Etta Banton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holman just received a letter from their son-in-law, Fred Weatherford, stating that Mrs. Weatherford, who has been quite ill, has suffered a relapse after having been able to sit up.

Mrs. S. P. Collier, who fell last Sunday morning and hurt herself so badly that she has been bedfast ever since, is reported to be some better.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brown of Pittsburgh, Pa., arrived Wednesday morning and will make an extended visit with Mrs. Brown's sister, Mrs. I. L. Stringham.

Mrs. Dick Smith, who underwent an operation at the Hot Lake sanitarium some time ago, is able to be home again.

Clyde Hopple is a patient at the Grande Ronde hospital.

Thursday morning Morris, the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gekeler was able to be moved from the Grande Ronde hospital to

a room at the Foley hotel. Mrs. Underwood has been quite sick but is much improved at the present.

Tuesday evening Grandma Gekeler became quite ill with the erysipelas of the face but her condition is improving.

Mrs. Roy Gekeler, who has been very ill with the flu is able to sit up. The many friends of Mrs. Gekeler will be sorry to learn that her state of health will not permit her to finish teaching the Alceel school of which she is principal.

Blue Mountain Grange met Wednesday with a good attendance. During the lecture hour the grange sang two songs. Mrs. J. W. Rodhead, Mrs. Bert Grout and Mrs. Wm. Gekeler each read interesting pieces. Mrs. C. D. Huffman also read an humorous article sent by Mrs. P. H. Dickinson of Santa Ana, Cal. Quite a number of the members took part in a discussion concerning taxes. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tilton and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sherwood put on a dialogue that was very good. Roll call—Give your idea of what you think would be the best method of reducing taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wilson of Ladd Canyon were guests of the Grange Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Taylor is able to be out again after being confined to her home for a few days on account of having had her tonsils removed.

Mrs. Elsie Taylor, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Wm. Taylor and family, Geo. Salisbury, Edgar Stringham and Chas. Spencer were among those from this locality who attended the Moose minstrel show in La Grande Tuesday evening.

Highest price paid for clean, large-sized cotton rags.

Wednesday evening Mildred Spen-

cer had the joy of lighting thirteen candles on a beautiful birthday cake which her mother had baked for her.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

A student body assembly was held yesterday for the purpose of instilling pep, esprit, etc., in the members in regards to the coming track season. Each class furnished yells at this occasion and as usual the noisy and numerous freshmen came out on top. Coach Lodell gave a talk about the track prospects and several of the trackmen also answered the call and told about the coming season of triumph in bursts of silver tongued oratory. The meeting was judged a complete success when the student body manager read the financial report showing that the treasury held \$385, a far greater amount than at this time last year.

The senior class met yesterday to agree upon some important matters and they did—at the close of a period of heated debate.

The students are looking forward eagerly to coming junior-senior annual mascot fight. The rules have not been prepared fully but probably will be arranged in the next week. The fight will be scheduled in about two weeks.

April 10th last day to pay water rent without a penalty.

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BIG DOUBLE BILL

STAR THEATRE

Charles Chaplin THE IDLE CLASS



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and

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William Jennings Bryan says: "I recommend it without reservation."

It is not a comedy but every progressive man and woman will go away appreciating its tremendous educational and driving force.

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Every citizen of La Grande should see this picture without fail and get the message it conveys. Shown under auspices of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon.

This picture will be of no interest to smaller children, but all high school students are urged to see the same.

At 8 P. M.

AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 9th.