

and Mrs. Otto C. Turley Relate Experiences Calling on Florist Trade

Finding that the florists of the midwest are in market for Croft lilies, Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Turley, who returned last Thursday from a 6-week tour, are hopeful of the future of the lily industry, and told the Pilot following his return.

During the last six weeks I saw 500 greenhouse men, 500 circulars advertised in the Brookings-Harbor area, 500 greenhouse men and their families and visit during their vacations. A number of them will be here some this year, and next. Since arriving home I sent each a copy of the Pilot announcing the Lily Week. I learned these facts during

my visits: Green house benches have been the accumulation point for all errors and improper field culture and cold storage practices. These men are tired of it.

"On the benches I saw lilies that had been prematurely started and stopped, shocked by cold storage fluctuations, and blinded by length of storage. I saw mixed varieties and complete substitutions of varieties for Crofts. I even saw one bench filled with Creoles (at \$6 per case) where Crofts had been ordered and paid for. One grower who has forced as many as 10,000 Crofts at a time, told me and I quote: I always order Crofts, but what did come in those cases is always a gamble. I wouldn't be surprised to find even sweet potatoes.

"His humor revealed to me the uncertainty and unreliability of those who sold these lilies and by so doing stirred up confusion and resentment.

"From all this the average greenhouse men have no recourse—and it's little wonder that he is not an anxious buyer. I learned that he must have assurance that there will be no unscrupulous practices will be carried on in the future. This will be accomplished only when there is an unbroken line of reliability and dependability from the field to the florist's place of business.

"For the Croft growers there must be a grower to grower contact where everyone has faith in the other. Field growers must assume some of the failures occurring in greenhouses. Field men must work together at all times.

"When greenhouse men come to know the growers who ship them planting stock, and know that this grower is always dependable, the industry will right itself for all time. Heretofore the man who originally grew these lilies rarely ever met the man who forced them for the florists. Neither understood the problems of the other, and consequently no feeling of confidence was felt by either.

"I see no reason for this misunderstanding and opposition. I have found every greenhouse man to be a heart-type man. He is easy to meet, and much like the remainder of us—human."

who are interested primarily in grabbing and hoarding, and who have proved that they are opposed to one of the glories of America—the great public school system—such people are not desirable citizens of this community, nor of the United States of America.

I regret that I was not present at the meeting. If given another opportunity to vote for the budget, I shall make a point of being there and voting. I urge, also, the attendance of all other intelligent, eligible voters who are interested in the welfare of the youth of our community, and the safe-guarding of America. — Signed: Norine Harvey.

Mystery Surrounds Disappearance of Darlene Hogan

No Trace Found By Over 100 Men, On 4-day Search

Mystery surrounds the disappearance, last Thursday, of Darlene Hogan, daughter of Jack Hogan, who lives in the Carpenterville, for whom about 100 men have searched the hills to locate. As this paper goes to press no

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report has been heard about her being located, or any clue which would indicate her whereabouts.

Sheriff R. G. Sabin, in this area Thursday, tried to locate all her schoolmates who might throw a light on her actions, or expressed desires. Unsuccessful in locating any motive for her disappearance he, with Hugh Gearin, district attorney, organized searching parties. The crew of Swan's sawmill closed down and joined the group, together with many friends

of the family.

Sunday night, after almost all the ground had been scoured, it left friends more mystified than ever. They found no trace of her whatever, or any clue to what might have happened to her.

State police aid brought no answer to the question on everyone's lips. Radio broadcasts from Eureka unearthed no clues.

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