

Along Azalea Row

By B. Miller

June is the month of roses—but not in Oregon! For here at Weedy Acres, the roses bloom the calendar around, and probably do so in your own garden as well. It is a flower universally beloved, and a plant which has been in existence for more than a million years. This fact has been substantiated by recent discoveries of fossil rocks bearing its imprint in Colorado and Oregon. Long before the appearance of man, roses were growing on this earth of ours.

We only enjoy their beauty here, but during the last war, English gardens supplied a valuable source of Vitamin C from rose hips. In case you didn't know that a rose has hips, perhaps I should add that the hips are the ripened fruit of a rose bush.

British chemists worked to find a substitute for Vitamin C since oranges, a usual source, were not imported during the war, and they discovered that rose hips yield 400 times as much Vitamin C as oranges and 300 times as much as black currants another excellent source.

So the Boy Scouts and women were set to work gathering rose hips and soon some 200 tons were converted into a rose hip syrup and made available to the British people through the drug trade, as a source of Vitamin C.

Roses are used in cooking in many countries throughout the world, and here is a recipe to try some afternoon when you have guests to tea. Rose butter. Put into a stone jar 1/4-lb. of butter and cover it entirely with rose petals above and below and leave it overnight in a cool place with the lid on. The butter will absorb

the scent of the rose petals, and then spread it on very thin bread with a few rose petals on top of the bread which is then delicately rolled, the petals protruding at both ends."

In centuries past, the poets praised its virtues, and in Gulistan, famed in Persian stories, where "so many roses grew that it was a five-day camel ride through the great garden," we are told that "wild rose leaves reduce to an ointment with bear grease, doth wonderfully make the hair grow again." Men may want to try this one!

And the wild Dog Rose of England's hedgerows "a rose but set with little wilful thorns and as sweet as English air can make her" was given its Latin name because it was supposed to cure hydrophobia.

We could go on like this for many a page, for roses form a fascinating history all their own! I am indebted to Mrs. Almo Newton for the information used, and I believe her source material was a garden club member of the Oregon Federation, Mrs. Nadine Newman.

One of our finest roses here is the peace rose. It can be slipped by placing a cutting in a glass of water. After some weeks when new leaves form, set outside in suitable soil, with a glass jar over it to protect the young plant from wind and cold.

"A myriad lovely blossoms may enclose,
But, whatsoever hath been, there still must be
Room for another rose."

FLORENCE COATES.

Miss Jacqueline Lyons and her brother, Gary, spent the latter part of last week at Grants Pass visiting relatives. They returned home Monday.

Charter Festivities Tickets "Selling"

Tickets for the forthcoming Barbershop Quartet show in Crescent City are definitely in the short market. The show, to be held Saturday, March 31, at the auditorium of the Crescent-Elk school, is the first show put on by the new chapter there, of SPEBSQSA.

The auditorium seats only 600 and all indications are that there will be standing room only. Tickets are available at Gould's Shoe Store, here but at the rate they have been selling there may not be enough to go around.

One of the recent acquisitions to the show is the "Mellowaires" quartet of Medford. Bill Duggan recently heard these men at Medford and reports that they compare favorably with House Bros. Two brothers, Glenn and Mel Crocker sing the tenor and lead parts respectively and Don Keener is baritone, Charlie Carroll, former secretary of the Medford chapter, sings bass.

The Crescent City chorus and quartets are working hard to make this, their initial try, an evening of good harmony and good fellowship.

Local Barbershoppers urge all quartet fans of this area to extend all efforts to see this show. The grapevine gossip indicates that quartets from Sacramento and Berkeley alone would be worth the price of admission.

In addition to the Brookings and Crescent City choruses there will be these quartets: The Jesters; the Camellia City Four; Uncalled Four; The Lumberlads; The Harmonettes; The Oceanaires; The Beachcombers and two foursomes from Crescent City.

All over the United States the Barbershop shows are packing all big auditoriums and they always leave the audiences feeling they had a grand time, and money's worth. Chapters of the national society are springing up all over the country and are affording a good, wholesome hobby to men from all walks of life.

The date is Saturday, March 31—tickets are at Gould's.

National Cemetery Is A Reality Now

GOLD BEACH—The first national cemetery to be established in the three northwestern states came into being this month in Multnomah county, Oregon. To be known as Willamette National Cemetery, the 200-acre site is located adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial park cemetery, some 10 miles southeast of Portland, reports C. E. Seger, county service officer. These are entitled to burial there:

Any person who has had service in the U. S. armed forces in war or peace and who died on active duty or following discharge provided the period of last enlistment was honorable.

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Minor children, an unmarried daughter, regardless of age; a widowed daughter remaining unmarried; or a physically or mentally incompetent, unmarried son of any age.

Further information may be obtained from Mr. Seger.

Sixth Card Party Held Last Saturday

Sixth in the series of pinochle parties being given by the Rebekah Social club, was held at the Odd Fellows hall Saturday, with a good crowd. The committee had used the Easter theme in decorations and refreshments.

Prizes for high score were won by Dorothy Simpson and Wm. Weideman; low by Madge Moore and Jack Tungate; the pinochle prizes were held at the end of play by Dorothy Simpson, and M. E. Dixon, and the door prize was won by Ethel Olsen.

There are two more parties to be held, and they will be April 14 and 28, with the blanket which is to go to the person with the highest total score for the series, to be presented at the last party.

NOTICE

Will the women of the community who wish to help, or donate for the Rotary luncheons, and the Satellite dinner, Tuesday, April 3, please come to my home this Thursday night, Mar. 29, to formulate final plans. Or contact Mrs. A. P. Hendricks. We need help. All moneys derived will be used for a new kitchen sink and built-ins in the Community church kitchen.

Mrs. C. N. Goldizen, Pres.

White Rock Opens

White Rock Cottages, owned by H. A. 'Sandy' Sanders, and under management of Jerry McBride, will re-open Sunday, April 1, according to Mr. McBride.

Special food will feature the opening. An advertisement appears elsewhere in this issue.

Sixteen lumbermen from this area enjoyed a dinner meeting at Chetco Inn last Saturday when standardizing of log scale was one of the main topics for discussion. Problems pertaining to the future of the timber industry were taken up and discussed.

"Classified Ads"

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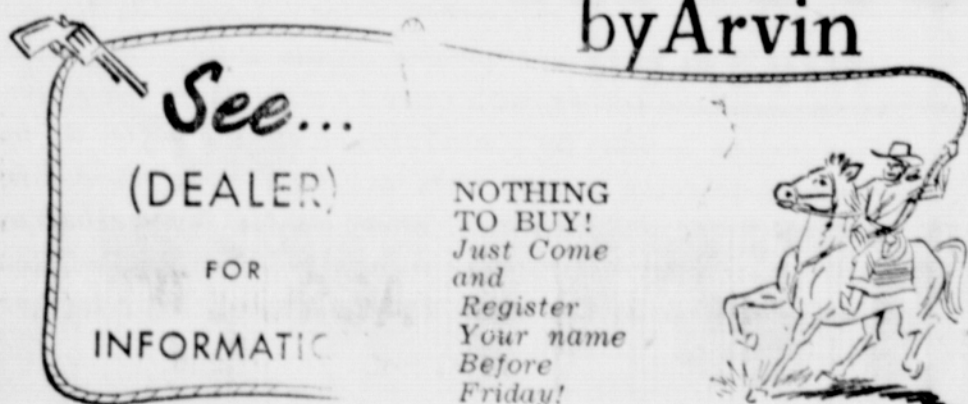
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