

Along Azalea Row

By Faye Sunderland

One of the greatest boons to the small acreage owner, is the comparatively new development of the dwarf fruit tree. They start bearing the third year and as their mature height is only 10 feet, a complete little orchard can be planted in the space ordinarily needed by just a few of the old standard type fruit trees. Added to these advantages is their value as an ornamental tree or shrub.

My recent statement, that in December our gardens are sleeping, was received with some bitterness by my favorite ditch and hole digger, as he had just staggered in after digging his 23rd hole in preparation for an orchard of the above mentioned dwarf fruit trees which he had ordered. As I recall, there was some vitriolic allusion to the effect that my garden might be sleeping, but his aching muscles weren't. However, when the trees arrived and were gently installed in the miserable 23 holes, the brawny hole digger's head was in the clouds with visions of the orchard in full bloom. Even though the peach trees may never fill my shelves with fruit, I am assured that their colorful blooms will fill my heart with joy. Imagine a tree full of glorious roses, every branch covered with big, flashing double rose-like blooms and then later, if we happen to have a reasonable amount of sunshine at the right time, will bear a delicious free-stone peach!

Equally beautiful and sure to bear in this area, is the new Red Leaf plum. Its foliage is a bright wine-red in the spring and makes an unusually beautiful specimen tree for the lawn. There are numerous types of apple trees that bear prolifically in this climate. One, whose blooming we are eagerly awaiting is the Bechtel Crab, a dwarf tree literally covered in May, with fragrant rose-pink double flowers. Some of the dwarf apple trees bear in two years and there is a great variety to choose from. I sometimes think that we must be a modern version of "Johnny Appleseed" as we seem to leave a trail of small orchards, this being the third one we have started! But there is a great satisfaction in planting a tree, whether one reaps the fruit or not.

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LOCAL NEWS

Within the next few days Mrs. W. D. Johnson will bring her 83-year-old mother home from Seaside hospital. She fell from her bed he day after Christmas, fracturing her hip.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Shea and two sons, Jim and Jack Grush, spent the holidays at Tacoma and Springfield.

A letter from Bill Wridge's daughter in Eugene to Flossie Buchanan, an niece, brings news that Bill will again enter the Eugene hospital and is quite ill at present.

Guest of the Floyd Youngs on New Years day was their son's friend, Miss Genevieve Ames of Portland.

Installation ceremonies will be held at the I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening, Jan. 15 by both the Masons and Eastern Star lodges. All Masons and Eastern Stars are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carson returned home last week after enjoying a week's trip to San Francisco, and Sacramento, where they visited relatives.

Curry County Indian Heirs Association will meet at the Grange hall this Sunday afternoon at one o'clock. The election of officers for 1952 will take place at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fitzhugh just returned from Santa Rosa where they visited Jimmy and Jewel Harris, former residents of Brookings.

GOLD—GOLD—GOLD

Vagabond's gold and drifter's gold—

Worthless, priceless dreamer's gold—

Gold of the sunset—gold of the dawn—

Gold of the shower trees on my lawn—

Poet's gold and artist's gold—

Gold that can not be bought or sold—GOLD.

Notice of Hearing

On Surrender of County Roads To the City of Brookings.

Notice is hereby given that a Hearing will be held in the Curry County Court Room in Curry County Court House in Gold Beach, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 9th day of January 1952, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of determining whether it is necessary or expedient or for the business interest of Curry County to surrender to the City of Brookings jurisdiction there of all county roads or portions thereof, located and being within the corporate limits of the City of Brookings, Oregon, save excepting the road known as Azalea Park Road, and to consider any testimony offered by any person interested in this Hearing. Said Curry County Court shall determine whether or not to make an Order that such action is necessary or expedient or for the business interests of Curry County, and who offers to said City of Brookings, to surrender jurisdiction to said City over such County roads or portions thereof, and to take such action as may be necessary in such proceedings, under the laws of the State of Oregon, more particularly in conformity with Section 100-24-01 O. C. L. A. dated this 5th day of December, 1951.

Guy H. Forsyth, County Judge.

A. B. Crook, County Comm.

J. R. Yoakam, County Comm.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lester Closser of Mist, Ore., are visiting his sister, Mrs. Rose Hubbard for several days this week. After a business trip into California they expect to return to this area to locate.

Wesley Smith left Saturday for a few weeks trip which will take him first to Everett, Wash., then to LaGrande, Ore., and finally to Pacific Palisades, Calif., to visit his three daughters and their families.

Miss Agnes Hensley made a trip to Carvallis recently. On her return she was accompanied by Mrs. Anis Schofield who was here for a week before returning to Corvallis to be with her daughter and family.

The Ladies Missionary society of the Community Church will meet at the home of Mrs. John L. Mumbower Thursday, Jan. 17, at 1:30 for its regular meeting. Women who recently came to Brookings are invited to come and get acquainted. Mrs. Gregg and Mrs. Breuer will assist Mrs. Mumbower.

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