

# LARGEST PLANTING 50 MILES AROUND

Jay Morris' Peony Garden Is  
Show Place for the Sa-  
lem District

Editor Statesman:  
Here is the article you asked  
me to write for the annual floral  
number of The Statesman.

When I was a boy still going to  
the grade school I wanted to be a  
farmer, a real dirt farmer, but as  
I grew older and finally came into  
possession of a small piece of  
ground, my ideas turned more to  
flowers. till the idea has struck  
me, very forcefully that a house is  
not really a home unless it has  
flowers around it.

We wouldn't think of building  
a home without a living room or  
parlor, yet we often see houses  
with a flower near them. I  
feel that flowers are just as neces-  
sary to the life and happiness of  
the family in the home as in any  
room in the house. Also that the  
selection of the plants for the  
garden is as important as the  
selection of the living-room furni-  
ture.

Because I believed flowers to be  
a necessity, to the happiness of a  
real home, I started a few years  
ago growing flowering plants and  
shrubs commercially.

As I write now I am seated on  
a rock overlooking my peony and

iris garden, where hundreds of  
peony blooms are now in their full  
glory and their sweet fragrance  
fills the air, my garden containing  
over 50 varieties of each, peonies  
and iris, is the largest planting of  
its kind within 50 miles of Salem.  
It is known as the Jay Morris  
Peony Garden and is located three  
and a half miles south of Salem  
on the Liberty road. Visitors are  
welcome here, and special invita-  
tion is given the public each year  
during the blooming season.  
Blossom day, when the garden is  
near its best, came a little late  
this year, being on June 12th.  
This day is not only a day of see-  
ing the wonderful blooms but is  
also a day in which I have an op-  
portunity of showing and telling  
people something about this flow-  
er which so few people seem to  
know anything about. We all re-  
member the "piny" of grandma's  
garden. They bloom earlier than  
the peony of today and are not  
fragrant.

### The Peony of Today

The peony of today, with its  
many shades of colors and differ-  
ent types of bloom from single  
and Japanese to full double or  
rose type, are so different from  
the old red piny that we often  
hear such statements as these:  
"Oh! That looks just like a big  
pond lilly!" or again, "This one  
is just like a big chrysanthemum  
sitting inside a daintily colored  
saucer," and also many, really a  
large per cent of the visitors, say  
they never knew peonies were so  
fragrant or grew so large, some  
being nearly a foot across.

### For More Perennials

The iris is another flower which  
I do not think is as well known  
as it should be. I believe people  
should plant more perennials and  
less annuals than they do, al-  
though I have a greenhouse and  
raise annual bedding plants as  
well as perennials. Still for sev-  
eral reasons I think folks would  
be better satisfied if they planted  
more perennials. Some of the rea-  
sons follow: First, when you  
buy perennials or shrubs they are  
worth more money next year in-  
stead of less; they grow in value  
and make no more work to care  
for than annuals. Second, peren-  
nials should be planted in the fall  
or real early spring for best re-  
sults, thus giving you more time  
for your planting operations than  
you would have in the spring  
when you have both the vegetable  
garden and annual flowers to  
plant. Yes, you will want some  
annuals, but not so many as a lot  
of us plant.

Perennials are also less work  
than annuals, because you do not  
have to replant every year.  
So, I say plant flowers; lots of  
them, and reap the joy and happi-  
ness they bring.

—JAY MORRIS.  
Rt. 3, Box 104, Salem, Ore., June  
14, 1927.

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# RAY-BROWN OFFICER MAKES STATEMENT

Says Company Is Not Affect-  
ed by Clifford W. Brown's  
Sudden Death

The Statesman last night receiv-  
ed a copy of the following letter,  
under date of June 14th:

"Capital Journal, Salem, Ore-  
gon. Gentlemen: We have just  
noted in your issue dated Monday,  
June 13th, an article on page 8,  
headed "Ray-Brown Future Causes  
Conjecture," and hasten to express  
to you our regrets that you appar-  
ently did not endeavor to make  
an investigation as to the affairs  
of the Ray-Brown company, Inc.,  
before you permitted such a state-  
ment to be issued. This certainly  
is to be deeply regretted for your  
statement is not only very unfair  
to the Ray-Brown company, Inc.,  
alone, but it undoubtedly will, if  
it has not already, have a depres-  
sing effect on the markets of the  
items that this company proposes  
to handle.

"For your information, and we  
hope you will see fit to retract the  
above referred to item, wish to  
advise you that while Mr. Clifford  
W. Brown was interested heavily  
in the Ray-Brown company, Inc.,  
and his association was of great  
assistance to his partners in this  
concern, and while his partners  
are grieved over this terrible  
catastrophe, and his having been  
taken away as he was, has been a  
great shock to all of us, and we  
feel his loss deeply, yet for your  
information, Mr. Brown was not  
actively engaged in the financing  
nor the management of the Ray-  
Brown company, Inc., nor had he  
any interest in the financing of the  
Ray-Brown company, Inc., opera-  
tions.

"Therefore, you will realize the  
Ray-Brown company, Inc., is not  
affected by Mr. Brown's sudden  
death except the members of that  
organization feel deeply the loss  
of his personality and association.  
Very truly yours,  
"RAY-BROWN Co., Inc.,  
By H. W. Ray."

### Over Night Hike Planned For Boys of Junior High

Plans are being made by the  
boys' division of the YMCA for an  
overnight hike for boys of junior  
high school age on June 24 and  
25, it was announced yesterday.

The group will leave Salem at  
2 o'clock Friday afternoon, June  
24, and return the following after-  
noon. The number is limited to  
12 boys, three of whom have reg-  
istered already.

There will be no charge made  
for the trip, each boy being ex-  
pected to carry two blankets, and  
food for supper, breakfast and  
dinner. Each will do his own  
cooking on the trip. The group  
will be under the direction of

Loyal Warner, boys' secretary of  
the Y.

### Measles-Leading List Of Contagious Diseases

Measles led the list of contag-  
ious diseases with 185 cases, as  
reported to the Oregon health  
board for the week ending June  
11. The malady is most prev-  
alent in Portland, with 107 cases  
reported. Only 17 cases of con-  
tagious diseases were reported in  
Marion county.

Other cases reported in the state  
were: Chickenpox, 30; diphtheria,

5; influenza, 5; mumps, 11; pneu-  
monia, 15; scarlet fever, 9; small  
pox, 11; tuberculosis, 21, and  
whooping cough 8. Two cases of  
cerebrospinal meningitis and one  
case of septic sore throat were al-  
so reported.

### THREE THOUSAND ARRIVE

Oregon National Guardsmen En-  
camp; Routine Stars Today

ASTORIA, June 15.—(AP)—  
Displaying the adaptability char-  
acteristic of the American citizen  
soldier, 3,000 members of the  
Oregon national guard today made

themselves at home in the quar-  
ters at Camp Clatsop, which will  
be their home for the next two  
weeks.

\*Camp routine at both places  
will begin tomorrow. Drills, calis-  
thenics, schools and sports will  
be the order of the day every day,  
beginning at 5:30 a. m.

### PICNIC TO BE SATURDAY

SILVERTON, Or., June 15.—  
(Special).—The Willard Commu-  
nity club will hold its annual picnic  
Saturday in the Frank Bower  
grove. A basket dinner will be  
enjoyed at noon, followed by base-  
ball and other sports.

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\$6.00 Men's <b>SILK SHIRTS</b> ..... <b>\$3.95</b>	\$6.50 Men's Slip-on <b>SWEATERS</b> ..... <b>\$3.85</b>	\$3.50 Men's <b>Toyo Panamas</b> ..... <b>\$1.85</b>	\$5 Men's Xasier <b>UNION SUITS</b> ..... <b>\$3.59</b>	\$1 Men's Athletic <b>UNION SUIT</b> ..... <b>69c</b>
<b>\$1.00 Men's Golf Hose at 63c</b>		Genuine <b>BVD Suits 89c</b>	<b>50c Men's Sox at ..... 19c</b>	
\$2.50 Men's <b>DRESS SHIRTS</b> New patterns ..... <b>\$1.19</b>	\$3 to \$4 <b>DRESS SHIRTS</b> All sizes ..... <b>\$1.85</b>	\$6.50 Men's Wool <b>Blazer Shirts \$1.75</b>	\$3.50 White <b>Broadcloth Shirts</b> ..... <b>\$1.29</b>	\$3.50 White Rayon <b>ATHLETIC SUITS</b> ..... <b>\$2.29</b>
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