

GARDEN CLUBS' LEADER TALKS

State Organizer Addresses Meeting of Hubbard Woman's Club

Hubbard—"How we look to our neighbors" was an item stressed by Mrs. W. E. Anderson of Salem, state organizer of garden clubs, in her talk on gardening at the Wednesday afternoon meeting of the Hubbard woman's club at the home of Mrs. Waldo F. Brown.

Mrs. Anderson pointed out that our grounds are an index to our homes and that carefully planned flower gardens and neatly kept lawns are suggestive of orderly homemakers.

According to Mrs. Anderson now is the time to plan the gardens and to plant the shrubs and bulbs. She suggested that the gardens "be not a mere patch work but effective and attractive, with an avoidance of a big variety." She suggested that in planting the gardens, space be left for depth, width and perspective. Color combinations with a continuity of blooms was also mentioned by the speaker and many kinds of flowers named to carry out a color scheme the year round. Kinds of flowers effective for backgrounds and borders were named also.

The speaker quoted a Holland gardener, who is familiar with conditions here, as saying that Oregon is ideal for raising bulbs and also his opinions that bulbs should be treated here as in Holland—namely that they be put in the dark after planting and that they be left there six weeks and then brought to light. Mrs. Anderson said that she expects to try his method for planting bulbs this year.

Mrs. Anderson, a flower gardener of much experience, is a past president of the state federation of garden clubs and an honorary president of federated garden clubs.

Mrs. Merle Stewart sang "Coming Home," and "In the Garden of Tomorrow," accompanied by Mrs. Neva McKenzie at the piano. Miss Betty Brown entertained with the piano solo, "Edelweiss Glide," responding to encore with "Twilight Idyl."

At roll call many garden hints were given in response.

Dahlias, Zinnias and autumn leaves made a colorful decoration for the rooms, and the lovely flower gardens and porches of the hostess were an ideal setting for the study theme, "Gardens."

Mrs. Brown assisted by Mrs. Andrew Wells and Mrs. Ethel Johnson served attractive refreshments. Guests were Mrs. W. E. Anderson.

BEFORE AND AFTER DREAMING

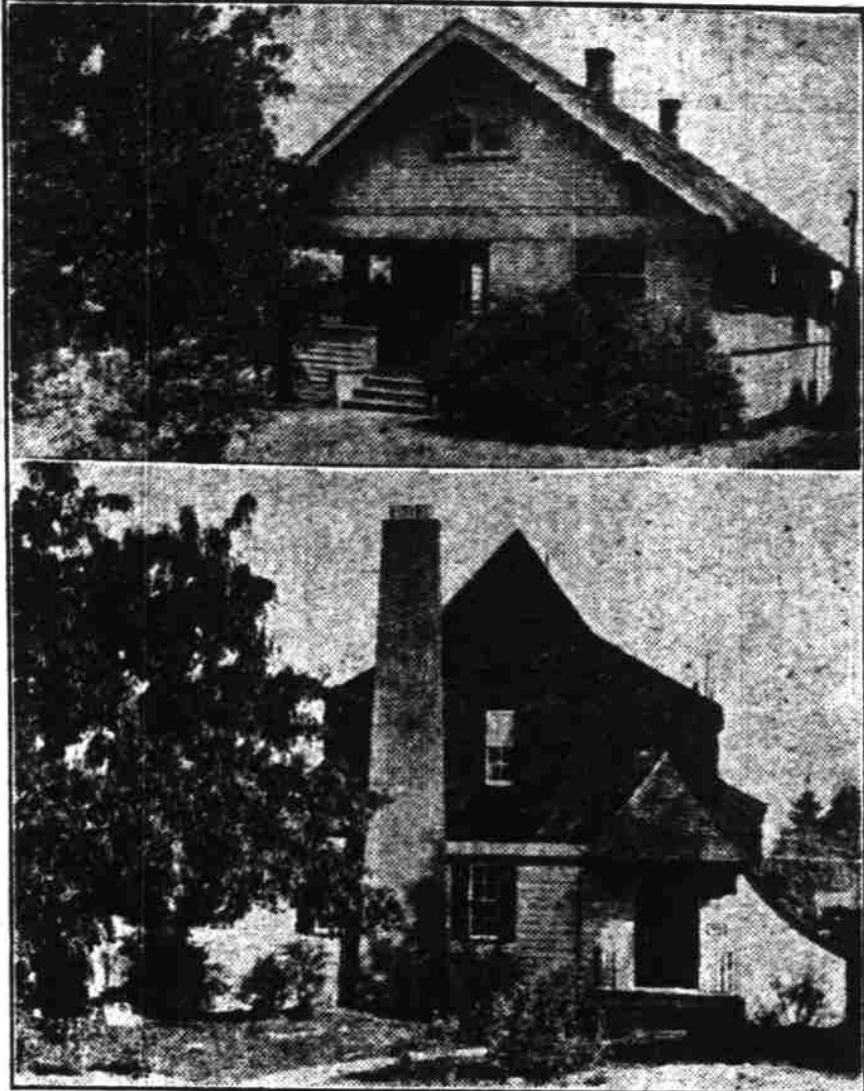


Photo by W. C. Conner, Statesman staff photographer. In the above cut you behold the foundation of a dream and then you see presto change the dream itself in material form. Mr. and Mrs. James R. Humphrey are the proud owners who materialized the dream. The house is situated at 1740 Fairmount street.

"Castle in Air" Becomes Attractive, Convenient Home; Efforts Rewarded

By OLIVE M. DOAK

"Castles in the air" are delights of warm summer days with the drowsy hum of bees overhead mingled with soft brushing of leaves against each other—that is the history and origin of most castles, but there is always the exception that proves the rule.

For months each time they called on their friends the Fred Stumps, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Humphreys eyed the small, very ordinary bungalow which sat on the lot to the north of the Stump home on Washington street, Fairmount Hill. There was a well shaped, attractive tree in the corner of the front yard; there were many shrubs in good

condition; there was a back yard that had been terraced midway of its stretch to the alley into a luxurious rockery; in the back yard there were also many trees and a number of roses. The lower level of back lawn stretching from the rockery would form a perfect place for a rose garden; and the house itself—did it not hold some possibilities? As people will do if they play with an idea long enough—Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys finally capitulated to the lure of "what (Continued on page 9)

TELLS HOW TO STORE BULBS

Creator of new Champoege Dahlia Explains Winter Care of Plants

By MRS. GEORGE CRITES (Editor's note: Mrs. Crites not only sent dahlias four varieties to be specific, to New York City for the Madison Square Garden flower show September 16, 17, and 18, but she scored very high and received much publicity on "Champoege," a dahlia developed by herself at her Newberg farm.)

I have been asked by the garden editor, to write an article about flowers, and as I am especially interested in dahlias I will take this opportunity to tell my friends how to care for their bulbs during winter. Those of you who are successful in keeping your bulbs may not be interested but there are a number of people who lose their bulbs every winter and this article is written in the hope that it may help them to keep their bulbs.

After the frost has killed the dahlias, leave them in the ground at least a week, to cure or ripen the bulbs. In digging push the spade down deep on all sides of the clump to loosen it—about a foot from the stalk is about right—far enough away so as not to cut the bulbs. Lift carefully so as not to break the necks of the long tubers as that spoils them, causing the eyes to dry out and die. Shake off the loose earth. Cut off all the green stalks leaving only that part of the stalk that grew beneath the ground.

The green stalk is the first to mould in storage. Put the clumps into a box or barrel lined with paper and fill in all around with peat moss, sand or dry earth. This will keep the bulbs from drying out if stored in a dry place and also keeps them dry if set in a damp place. Above all be sure to store them in a frost proof place.

Some Hill Bulbs I know of one party that has no basement and he keeps his bulbs by placing them in a hole under the house and covering them about a foot deep with the dry soil. Another man keeps his bulbs nicely by using the old method of hilling them up like potatoes. This is the way he does: Place some straw on the ground, put the clumps of dahlias on the straw, cover with straw, and on top of this put at least a foot of dirt. Cover with boards to keep out as much rain as possible. I shall try this way of keeping bulbs this winter as an experiment.

You may be interested in hearing how I sent dahlia blooms to the recent dahlia show at Madison Square Garden, New York City. The blooms were cut on

How Does Your Garden Grow?

By LILLIE L. MADSEN



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Most of the commonly known spiraeas prefer the deep, rich soil that holds moisture well. I like to get nearly all my shrubs in as early in the fall as possible for I find they set root and make a greater advance the next spring. Also quite frequently, if one gets old enough bushes, they will then bloom the first year they are planted—something very important if you are as impatient as I am to see your growing things in flower. However, some growers advise planting shrubs in February and March so that they will not winter kill. I do not find that many of the ordinary shrubs winter kill here in the valley even when planted in the fall. Usually I mulch autumn-planted shrubs and roses rather heavily with straw or peat moss.

It seems that I'm always repeating that variety depends upon conditions, but readers ask me to tell them what variety of this or that to plant without

Monday morning early and stems placed in scalding water for a few seconds. They were then packed in a box such as is used by florists for shipping flowers—the box was lined with several thicknesses of waxed paper. We tied the stems to the back of the box to keep them from being jostled around in handling. This box was closed, then put inside another heavier box. Addressed and mailed at Newberg about 8:30 in the morning.

It was about 4 o'clock in the afternoon before I left Portland by air mail and it arrived at New York City some time Tuesday night. The flowers were placed on exhibit at Madison Square Garden Wednesday morning. Altogether it was 48 hours from the time they were cut until they were put in water, after a trip across the continent. They were on exhibit two days. And they say dahlias do not keep when cut!

GO TO PORTLAND SCIO, Oct. 25 — Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McClain of Portland came down Tuesday afternoon and took Mrs. J. I. Shelton back with them to be with Mrs. Shelton's son-in-law, Ed Forsch who was to be operated on Wednesday morning. No word has been received to date. Mr. Forsch was in a very dangerous condition.

to your collection this autumn, don't forget the Deutzias, of which there are around 300 varieties. Deutzias do exceptionally well in this country and the small-flowered branches are lovely for baskets of cut flowers. As a whole they are a rapid growing shrub and thus permit cutting rather well. Two of the best known, and very satisfactory they are, are the Pride of Rochester with its pink-white blooms and the Lemoine, a pure white.

Another lovely, and well-known shrub is the Syringa, the native of which is often called (Mock Orange). The semi-double, pure white Bouquet Blanc is not as well known as it deserves to be but it is a fine addition to any shrubbery collection. Both the Grandiflorus and the Coronarius are better known than the first mentioned one. They are both beautiful shrubs in their proper places. The first is a beautiful thing, bearing clouds of double white flowers during a large part of the summer. The Decumbens bears white flowers. Another fine little rock garden spiraea is the Crispifolia which grows about a foot high and bears rosy flowers. Perhaps the grandest of all spiraeas is the Van Houtte. It is an early bloomer and the white blooms almost completely cover the foliage. Spiraea Thunbergi is one of the best known of the early flowering sorts. It also has white flowers. A crimson spiraea is the Anthony Waterer. A native spiraea coming into use is the Billardi Rosea, a pink-flowering shrub which one often sees in bloom along the roadsides in May and June.

A. M.—I think the yellow rockery flower you refer to must be an Alyssum. There are several forms of the Perennial Alyssum, all of those with which I am acquainted having yellow flowers. The Saxatilis of which there usually are three listed in our western catalogues, are most commonly found. The Alyssum Moellendorffianum is considered by many the very best Alyssum for rockeries. It forms a dense cushion measuring about a foot across. It grows about four inches high and blooms for the first time in the season in June and July. If flower heads are cut off as they fade almost any of the Alyssums will bloom again in autumn. My Alyssum Saxatilis have bloomed three times during the past season.

Bulb man Talks To Garden Club At Independence

INDEPENDENCE, Oct. 18. — The Garden club met Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the training school auditorium.

After a short business session the speaker of the evening, Mr. Weeks of Salem, gave a talk on "Bulbs," which was very instructive. The next meeting will be held in November.

BOARD IS CHOSEN INDEPENDENCE, Oct. 25. — The city election board for November 4 was appointed as follows: J. S. Boharinan, James Simington, judges; Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, Mrs. T. W. Hart, Mrs. J. N. Jones, clerks.

Advertisement for Plumbing Supplies, featuring an image of a sink and text: 'Plumbing Supplies', 'BUY ON OUR EASY PAYMENT PLAN', 'TRADE IN your old fixtures as a down payment on new modern fixtures.'

Large advertisement for Paint Sale: 'Paint Sale 25% DISCOUNT 25% ON ALL PAINT IN STOCK', 'The best Certainteed inside or outside paint at 25 per cent off.', 'Take advantage of these prices early as it is only on stock on hand.', 'COPELAND YARDS West Salem — Telephone 576 Dependably serving the lumber consumer'



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