

Blossoms at Their Peak, Garden Days are Here, Time to Plant

CROPS FOR SUMMER PASTURES ADVISED

Better Milk Production to Result; Fall rye is Quickest Growth

CORVALLIS—Planting crops that will provide suitable summer pastures in western Oregon this season is strongly advocated by farm crops specialists at Oregon State college as a means of helping meet the most serious prospective forage shortage dairymen have been faced with in decades. If such pasture crops are raised, the effect of the hay shortage will be minimized and better milk production will be obtained, say G. R. Hyslop and E. R. Jackman, agronomists of the experiment station and extension service.

The quickest pasture crop for immediate planting is a fall rye or wheat spring sown, as it will grow through the summer without heading and supply an abundance of feed if planted in rotation plots. To get the advantage of quick developing barley and also have the late summer pasture, a mixture of O. A. C. No. 7 barley with oats and either winter wheat or winter barley is a good combination.

Sudan grass is another good summer pasture possibility, say these specialists. It is much better than millet for pasturing as it makes much more regrowth. It will make more August pasture than any other crop that may still be planted. As it retains its feeding value even after heading out, close pasturing is not necessary. It is planted about the same time as corn.

Rape is another excellent pasture possibility, but not suitable for dairy cattle unless they are pastured on it a few hours after milking only, leaving a half day before the next milking, lest the milk be flavored. Rape and red clover make an economical combination to seed together, the rape

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to furnish pasture this season and the clover to continue on next year.

Crimson clover is another pasture possibility if seeded in April, May or early June, says Hyslop and Jackman. Seeding methods are the same as for other clover. Seeding early for pasture and keeping it for seed production the following year has not been used much so far, but it is believed this is an excellent possibility insuring earlier pasture next spring than from any other legume.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO RALLY
WOODBURN, April 22.—The young people of the Church of God are planning a rally for the entire Willamette Valley section, which is to be held April 30. Ruth Schaefer of Eugene will speak at the morning service at 11 o'clock. Professor James Matthews of Willamette university will speak at the afternoon session at 3 o'clock and the evening services at 6 o'clock will be in charge of Rev. U. G. Clark of Portland.

TO ATTEND CONCLAVE
INDEPENDENCE, April 22.—J. E. Hubbard, P. O. Black and Victor Seeley have been elected delegates from Valley lodge to the grand lodge convention of Odd Fellows which is to be held in Pendleton May 15 and 16. Mrs. Victor Seeley, Mrs. Ed Wunder and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard were elected as delegates from the Cloverleaf Rebekah lodge.

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HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

Almost every gardener lost considerable this past winter and there are yawning vacancies where once grew favorite shrubs and perennials. Some of these had not been worth retaining for years past but they'd always been there, or a member of the family none gone had planted them, or a very old friend had given them—so the gardener let them grow. That's a part of the life of gardening—these "garden memories."



Lillian Madsen

But now that Old Man Winter has destroyed these and left empty spots the gardener must cast about for fillers. The extreme lateness of the season has worked a disadvantage as it is just recently that gardeners have begun to realize that chrysanthemums and many another perennial are not showing up as they did in former years.

However, there are still three good resources to fill those gaping vacancies. One may plant summer flowering bulbs, or perennials or annuals. Most common of the summer flower bulbs are perhaps the dahlias.

"Dahlias! Huh! A word to the wise," some gardeners exclaim. Dahlias, which were once so popular in the garden have somewhat lost their favor because it has become the thing to see who could grow the largest flower. Large flowers are not often desirable in the garden which is supposed to look like a picture and not as an exhibition or flower show. But one can still obtain dahlias which are well worth planting in the home garden. There are dahlias which look

very well in the shrubby border as a filler-in or even in the perennial border. There are the pompons, the decorative dahlias, the cactus and the peony flowered dahlias. The lovely white Alphonse or Mrs. Douglas Fleming, both Cactus dahlias are beautiful against a background of the dark green foliage of shrubbery.

Among the pompon varieties are such lovely little ones as the bright red Ace of Diamonds, the Amber Queen, the brick red Belle of Springfield, the bronze Eureka, the lavender Girlie, the yellow Ideal and the pure white Joe Fette besides a host of others. Then there is the Mignon dahlia which is a single flowered, growing but 18 inches high and blooming even the first year from seed.

The gladioli are as universally grown as the dahlias, but usually the former are grown in nice straight rows in the vegetable garden and used for cutting purposes only. While they are splendid for this and while the vegetable garden is a very good place to grow gladioli and other cut flowers, they also do very well as a filler in the borders, although they do not have as long a flowering season as do many of the other flowering bulbs. If they are used to give color to the green of shrubbery plantings then the large brightly colored or the pure white ones are perhaps the best. The little primus sorts are good planted among annuals.

Montbretias, with their autumn colors, are very good to fill in with where an old friend has fallen. The bulb should be set deep enough to just cover the long neck of the bulb. It also likes a sunny location.

The Peruvian daffodil is another flowering bulb which gives quick satisfaction. Its bloom, white in color and the bulb likes best a rather dry soil.

Some gardeners are very fond of the tigridia, a three-petaled importation from Mexico. And it does have its place, but each bloom is so short lived—lasting scarcely a day—that it becomes impatient with it. However, it is a lovely bright thing and a profuse bloomer, so that its life is not so noticeable. It will begin blooming sometime in late June or early July and keep up until September or October. The tigridia craves sun and dislikes wind. It should be planted approximately four inches deep and in groups with each bulb five or six inches apart.

A rather low growing bulb which like good soil and a rather shady location is the ranunculus which blooms through the summer. It comes in white, yellow, red, bronze and pink.

Another low growing bulb which blooms all summer is the Oxalis lasandra. Its foliage resembles the four-leaf clover and the blossoms are in shades of rose and in white.

PROUD OF NEW SON
SCOTTS MILLS, April 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sanders are rejoicing over the birth of a 9½ pound son, born April 19 at their home here.

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MRS. HOLECHEK TO HEAD SCIO P. T. A.

SCIO, April 22.—At the P. T. A. meeting Thursday, Mrs. Mary Holechek, president, Miss Doris Klindt, vice-president, and E. P. Caldwell, secretary-treasurer, all P. T. A. officers this year, were nominated by the nominating committee to fill these same offices for next year. Miss Klindt and Mr. Caldwell declined the nominations, since each have served at least two years.

Mrs. Geo. Flanagan and Mrs. Joe Lytle were members of the nominating committee. Doris Klindt, primary teacher, presented a program showing the results of appreciation lessons in which the natural tendencies of the child are stressed. A rhythmic band was the first number of the program. The instruments for this band were all made by the children. A number of readings followed. Each child read his or her favorite poem.

The meeting was then turned over to Leonard Gilkey, secretary of the Albany chamber of commerce, who introduced the members of the program furnished by the Albany chamber of commerce. The program for the May meeting of the P. T. A. will be in charge of the fifth and sixth grades under the direction of Mrs. June Bilyeu.

38 TODAY JOINING CHEMEKETAN HIKE

Thirty-eight persons had registered last night for the hike the Chemeketas will take to Moss Lake and Scotts Mills today. The party will leave the Jennie Lind at 8:30 a. m., drive in via Silverton, Scotts Mills and Crooked Finger road to the disembarment place. The hike will be five miles long.

Those registered were Ralph Branch, Dr. David B. Hill, Ruby N. Hoffnell, E. M. Hoffnell, E. S. Oliver, Marguerite Crosson, Esther Erickson, Lucile Jaskoski, Leah Sulng, Grace Robertson, Flora Mae Turnbull, Eleanor Dorrance, Alvin James Burns, Richard Weiler, Richard Upjohn, Cordie Wiper, Willis Caldwell, Thomas Witter, Walter McCune, D. F. L. Utter, L. A. and Mary Steeves, Lorna Howard, Jessie Blackburn, Leda Park, F. M. C. Edmundson, Lavilla Perry, Esther Bell, Bessie C. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Downs, Flavia Hume and Warren Downs, Jack Ostlund, Edith E. Burch, Constance Smart and George N. Fake.

Salem Chamber is Hit With Its Meet

MIDDLE GROVE, April 22.—A very interesting program was given by the Salem chamber of commerce at the monthly meeting of the local community club. Oscar "Frosty" Olson was in charge of the entertainment which consisted of several piano numbers by Ruth Bedford, a colored-man stunt by Al Mayo, several readings by Miss Betty Martin, xylophone solo by Miss Barbara Barham, accompanied by Miss Ruth McCallister, a talk on "Community Spirit" by Rev. Earl Racker, and a community "sing" led by Mr. Olson.

The local club voted to join the Marion County Federation.

PLAYS MAY FETE

MIDDLE GROVE, April 22.—The date for the May day celebration has been changed to May 4. Preparation being made for an opera entitled "The Posy Bed."



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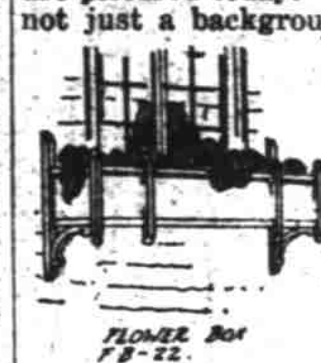
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FLOWER BOX 18-22



GARDEN SEAT 18-22

Larkspur Annual Heralded As Effective in Borders; Transplanting Not Advised

One of the most effective background flowers for the border, especially if the planting is to be against a fence at one side of the lawn, is the larkspur. And it is effective when planted by itself as a clump for a high spot of fragile and almost lacy color. In planning for borders this year or in considering flowers that will be effective for corners, and which will be lovely in flower arrangement for cut flowers in the home, it is well to pay heed to the richness of the larkspur.

What is commonly called larkspur is the annual that grows, blooms and dies in one season. It is related to the perennial delphinium, but is entirely different in its habit of growth. Only a few years ago larkspur colors were confined largely to pink, blue and lavender, also white; by cross-pollinating and continuous selection, plantmen have developed salmon shades which have given them a greater latitude in the development of new color combinations.

Habit of growth has also undergone a change for the better. Varieties have been developed for the more upright growth, which is such a desirable feature for cut-flower purposes.

Some of the recent introductions include Larkspur La France, Miss California, Empress Rose, Exquisite Rose, and the old reliable sorts such as dark blue, lustreous carmine and lilac.

Larkspur seeds should be sown where they are to remain. Thin the plants to a distance of six or eight inches apart or if they are

planted strictly for cutting purposes, they may be grown very close together. It is generally considered a mistake to transplant larkspurs, for they are apparently more susceptible to fungus attack when transplanted.

Larkspurs grow to a height of two or three feet, and they may be used as a background for other garden plants. It is difficult to germinate the seeds of larkspur in midsummer when it is too hot, but where the winters are mild, fall and spring plantings may be successfully made.

MANY CHANGE HOMES

BROOKS, April 22.—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bailey and son Robert have moved from Brooks onto the M. L. Jones farm, into the house recently built by Ronald Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dowe have moved into their new house in Brooks, recently built by his father, Fred Dowe. Mr. and Mrs. Potts of Gervais have moved into the house formerly owned by Fred Dowe.

MAY FETE PLANNED

JEFFERSON, April 22.—The Jefferson schools are making preparations for the annual May festival which will take place May 4. Zane Seipp has been elected May queen.

SHAW, April 22.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Grubenhoff and daughter Estelle left Wednesday morning for Washington. They have traded their farm here for a farm in that state.

SAWING JUST EVEN WITH NEW ORDERS

SEATTLE, Wash.—A total of 252 down and operating mills which reported to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending April 15 produced 62,505,446 board feet of lumber. This was a decrease of 857,791 feet or 1.4 percent under their cut in the preceding week. The average week's production of this group of sawmills in 1933 has been 57,173,322 feet; during the same period of 1932, their weekly average was 65,930,604.

The new business reported last week by 179 mills was 58,831,360 board feet against a production of 57,646,355 feet and shipments of 63,410,985 feet. Their shipments were over their production by 9.9 percent and their current sales were over production by 2 percent. The orders booked last week by this group of identical mills were less than their orders of the preceding week by 7,914,965 feet, or 12 percent.

Production of Strawberries in South to Rise

Commercial strawberry production in the second early group of states is forecast at 3,727,000 crates (24 quart) nearly 23 percent larger than the estimated 1932 production of 3,043,000 crates in the seven states or commercial areas concerned. The 1932 crop was slightly larger than the average crop of the preceding five years. Increases in the acreage for picking in 1933, as compared with that of 1932, are shown in all states except North Carolina.

The major increases in production this year are expected to occur in Tennessee and Virginia, only minor changes being indicated for North Carolina, Arkansas, and the southern district of California, while the large percentage increases in Georgia and South Carolina are not significant in volume.

New Chicken House At Mehama on Way

MEHAMA, April 22.—Mrs. Erdena Humbricht of Camas, Washington, spent Thursday and Friday with her mother and small daughter, Della Mae of this place. Claud Wilson of Mill City is building a new chicken house for Harrison Phillips. The house will be large enough to take care of 150 to 200 chickens.

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