

Columbines at Jonesmere Will Be at Peak Best Next Weekend

Open Garden Slated Then

Daily Cultivation Around Rose Bushes Urged in Bug Battle

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
SEVERAL readers have written me concerning gardens they may visit and when. Miss Mabel S. Creighton who has the loveliest columbines ever grown in this city, has invited me to visit her garden on May 22 and 23 for at that time her gardens will be their best. Miss Creighton has a large lawn and garden at Jonesmere, one connecting road between the Wheatland ferry and Champeau highway, just west of Wacanda, in Mission Bottom. It is 1 1/2 miles north of Salem.

Miss Creighton began growing columbines 14 years ago. For the past six years she has grown only from her own seed, selecting from the best plants each year. She tells me that she plants seeds in July and the following May her plants are in bloom. She also does autumn planting in October with good success. On the east side of her garden, where the flowers get the morning sun, she has grown the finest plants and blossoms, as columbines seem to do better in partial shade.

Best in Partial Shade
However, they will also thrive in full sun but the blossoms will not be quite so large as those grown in partial shade. On the south side of her house one plant has grown to the height of five feet and is three feet around. The blossoms are a smoky lavender with lemon yellow spurs. Some of these blossoms have measured 3 1/2 inches across and the spurs have been over three inches long.

May Come Iris City
Iris are coming out at Silverton and can be seen in bloom along a large part of the houses. Silverton is getting a reputation as an iris city. There is some talk of really adopting such a name, as Portland has the "rose city."

Calomel is now being used to control root maggots in cabbage, radishes, cauliflower and others. While I have not heard that it has been tried on aster and stock plants, I see no reason why it should not also be effective here. Many writers complain that root maggots injure their stock and aster plants. I am told it may be applied in a suspension around the young plants, as a dust, or as a coating on the seed itself. The point seems to be in placing the material near the roots where the eggs of the insect are normally deposited.

It's Much Time Now
Newly planted shrubs and small trees are benefited by a light mulch of peat moss, sawdust, chips or leaves. The mulch may be left on all summer, and the following winter to be spaded under again in the spring. Such a mulch checks the growth of weeds and keeps the soil from drying out during the warm weather.

Cultivate around rose bushes every day from now until late in June to destroy the pupae of bugs. If you can do so, obtain a mulch of tobacco stems as a mulch will also do much to control aphids.

For Continuous Bloom
Gladious bulbs may be planted at intervals of two weeks from now until late in June. I have been asked frequently this past week if it were too late to plant glad bulbs for this summer's bloom. Bulbs planted almost up to the fourth of July should come into flower before the season.

About Planting Violets
In reply to the question as to when violets should be set out: This is an excellent time to be setting them out. Plant them in rich or light soil, where they will not be fully exposed to hot summer sun. I am finding the double Russian violet being offered by several houses now. These are very attractive plants, but which have never so scarce in recent years. The white violets naturalize very well and if a few plants are set out will soon increase to a remarkable number.

For winter bouquets, plant in the vegetable garden. Various everlasting such as globe amaranth which resembles clover and helichrysum (strawflower). The latter comes in many colors.

Spring flowering shrubs should be pruned after the blossoming season is over. The early spring may now be pruned if it needs it. Won't Kill Birds
So many objects to using the lead arsenate spray for fear it will kill birds. I am told that it does not become ill or do not die from lead arsenate sprays. Lead arsenate spray is now being used for new hedges where the taxus weevil is making headway. The lower branches of the tree should be sprayed and some should be worked into the soil.

One gardener wishes to know if any insects attack rhododendrons. She does not say whether or not here show indications of such attacks. In certain localities what is known as the lace bug does attack rhododendrons, particularly those grown in full sunlight.

To Feed Trees
To feed trees, make holes with a crowbar, the best apart in a circle under the tips of the branches and one other circle, four feet nearer the tree (provided the tree is that large). The holes should be two feet deep and filled with a 5-7 fertilizer to within two inches of the top. Fill the last two inches with soil. If it

Former Simpson Home Is Museum



View of dining room

Capitalizing on the publicity stirred by the romance of Mrs. Wallis Simpson and the Duke of Windsor, a Baltimore party purchased the childhood home of Mrs. Simpson, restored it, and opened it to the public as a museum at an admission charge of 50 cents per person.

Statesman Book Nook

Reviews of New Books and Literary News Notes

By CAROLINE C. JERGEN

Neighbor to the Sky. By Gladys Hasty Carroll. MacMillan. \$2.50. 1937.

This is just such a book as any of us might like to have written. There is nothing in it to be ashamed of in after years. There is nothing objectionable whatsoever. Most readers have likely noticed how fiction has changed in the past few months. A year ago—or perhaps more correctly, 18 months ago—we were all defending frankness. We liked, we said, to have a spade called a spade. What we did not like was beating about bushes. Anything less than utter frankness was a bore. Of course, everyone understood that sex and utter frankness were one and the same thing.

Now, gradually, books are taking another trend. We re-discover that there are subjects other than sex about which to be frank. Sex as an only subject for novels has become an out-moded, an ankle-length sport skirts on high school girls. The subject was interesting enough while it lasted. It has served its purpose: many people who had never bothered to read, began to read. It is hoped that there is a small percentage of these will have acquired a habit they will continue.

But now we have tired of our "stark reality." We are turning away from mental peace and security. We find some satisfaction in "Neighbors to the Sky." This may make the book sound dull. But it is not dull. Nor is it deep and ponderous. It will do very nicely for the readers who want "just a story." There is a good love story with a satisfactory ending. But there is also sufficient body to give some food for thought to the average thinker. There is even some interest for those who grow discontented at too much contentment.

The story centers around Luke Gilman and his wife, Margery. Luke is one of those fortunate few who has not let possessions, depression and other products of civilization clutter up his mental serenity. He is completely satisfied with the family farm in Durwich, Maine, and with his lot in life. He would sit "back on his heels from his work on a window frame and survey pasture, clearing and neighboring fields; proudly, as if he had taken swag and plane to these as well as to material for the cabin, comfortably, feeling on life-long, friendly family terms with sun, cloud, earth, stone, tree and water."

is in a place where grass is supposed to grow, saw a little seed over the spots. Before sowing the grass, however, Luke had a washhouse on and let it run several hours, soaking the soil down several inches.

Those who complain that parsley seed will not come up for them until the intervals after the washhouse on and let it run several hours, soaking the soil down several inches.

Combating Peony Blight
Peony blight or peony blight can be controlled if the peonies are not mulched with manure. If the tops of infested plants are not allowed to remain during the winter, if all leaves and stems are hand-picked and burned as soon as the disease appears. Spraying with Bordeaux mixture is also recommended. Spraying should begin early in spring as soon as the crowns first appear and should be repeated about five times or at two intervals until the flower buds are developing.

Peonies fail to bloom because of too deep planting, lack of phosphorus and potash in the soil, of course, peony blight, too much shade (peonies like full sun), too recent transplanting. Galls upon the roots of peonies will also cause trouble. These galls are caused by nematode worms. Cut out all portions of the effected roots and burn the roots with lime-sulphur at planting time. Peonies should not be planted in infested soils. Either plant them elsewhere or remove the soil, substituting a good soil. Bone-meal, acid phosphate, wood ashes or potassium sulphate are fertilizers to be used with peonies.



GLADYS HASTY CARROLL, Author of 'Neighbor to the sky as the earth turns etc. (MacMillan).

But when Luke fell in love with Margery Lee, the new teacher at the district school, his life became completely changed. Margery is too tense, too eager to get away, completely away, from her sordid childhood. Hunger for security and success as she measures them is her consuming ambition. She marries Luke when he promises to leave the farm and "make something of himself." From then on her ambition is used to put him forward.

Following their marriage they visit briefly at her father's home, a father she admits she has always hated. She believes that he is not her real father, but Luke finds resemblance between the two. She is hurt and surprised to find that Luke likes him. "How could you like him," she asks, to which he answered, "I don't know. I don't like him for hurting you. I like him for himself. Because every day he's hurt anybody else has hurt him, too, and he knows it and can't help it, and he's grinning and bearing it. He's a hard man to live with and he's been living with himself around 70 years and he doesn't complain."

Luke finds himself slightly bewildered in a new world where one has to fight to make his way. First he serves as part-time teacher, then as graduate student at Teacher's college, Columbia, and finally as a member of the faculty in a large midwestern university. While he enjoys his work and proves successful in it, he does not feel satisfied. He cannot measure success by material gain. It is peace he desires, and he finds no real peace in the world where divorce, suicide, false standards rule.

To Margery life in New York proves fascinating. She is open to strange influences. In the midwestern university town she sets about creating a background only to find that very soon modernistic design replaces the "antique" atmosphere of which she had been so proud. Margery finds herself in a position in which she either has to dispose of her old-fashioned furnishings or no longer



Jacket of new Gladys Hasty Carroll novel

Cornell's Pig Has Nervous Collapse

Breakdown Induced; Apple Made Harder to Reach Each Day, System

PITTSBURGH, May 15.—(AP)—Cornell University has a pig with a nervous breakdown scientifically induced. He is the first pig who ever had a nervous breakdown and it was given to him in the hope of discovering better means of dealing with human breakdowns.

The pig, Achilles, had his breakdown in March this year, after spending a year in a special pen solving the problem of how to eat an apple. The apple was made constantly more difficult to get until Achilles' mind gave way.

He still has his "neurosis" which was described to the American Psychiatric Association here by Dr. Howard Scott Liddell of Cornell. Today when an apple is placed directly in front of Achilles he cannot decide whether to eat it.

Sometimes he snaps and gets it, at others his jaws miss and he growls. He has stood for as long as an hour, motionless, with the apple he wants to eat balanced on his nose.

His disposition towards other pigs has become very bad, in fact it closely resembles many of the symptoms shown in human nervous breakdowns.

Fate Problematical
Whether Achilles will ever recover is problematical. His recovery will be attempted. It is hoped that on his somewhat simple nervous mechanism the remedies tried, which will be much the same as those for human beings, will show their values clearly.

In human nervous disorders, Dr. Liddell explained, there are so many complicating mental and physical features that both cause and cure are difficult to understand.

The methods which caused Achilles to crack were similar to those which Dr. Liddell previously has tried on sheep.

The sheep also had nervous breakdowns despite the extreme simplicity and supposed quiet strength of their nervous systems. One illuminating discovery is that it is more difficult to cause a nervous breakdown in Achilles than in the sheep. The reason apparently is that a pig is more complicated in nervous organization.

This would suggest that human beings have the greatest resistance of all "animals" to nervous breakdowns despite the fact that they are the only ones who have them naturally.

Dr. Liddell held up until he was facing problems that might annoy even a human being.

Y. Camper Reunion Is Tuesday Night

Every camper, young or old, who ever participated in the Y.C.U. reunion is invited to the reunion meeting and dinner at the association building Monday night, Gus Moore, director, announced yesterday.

Toastmaster for the dinner will be G. J. Trumble and the chairman of the boys' work committee. An interesting program of stunts and songs will be given by the Hermit club, and the club president, George Arbuckle, will speak. The program will show motion pictures of last summer's Y camps.

or be one of the intimate group. As being center of this group was the object which put meaning to all her ambition, she feels mentally lost and becomes ill.

The ultimate and final solution for Luke and Margery make interesting reading.

Me and Thee. By Robert W. McCutcheon. 1937. Lothrop. \$2.00.

What an odd assorted party Stephen Ogden has assembled this Saturday afternoon on board his yacht, the Vesta. Evelyn Burt could not help thinking to herself as she sat sipping a frosty drink on the sheltered afterdeck.

Congressman U. T. Hopper, coldly austere; Lewis Raikes, an emigrant boy, and now a power to be reckoned with through his ownership of a string of newspapers; young Strawn, the financial expert; Mrs. Barstow, a socially sophisticated wife of a famous architect, and finally herself. Ogden was found murdered in his cabin late that night, and each of the five guests was equally suspected.

Sage of Salem Speculates

By D. H. TALMADGE

THE RHYME TRICK

Many thoughts are thick
That are mostly bunk,
Many thoughts are rank—
Better left unthunk,
But, though rank or bunk,
When first think or think,
Still may form a link
With some good, I think—
May lead down the trunk
To the tree roots dank
And rouse thought to rank
With—well, for a smile,
They beat Poe a mile.

By way of saying something smart: Better the small shot that neatly spots the bulleye than the big shot that knocks down the target and muzzes up the adjacent landscape.

I reckon there are at least 100,000,000 people in the country who are willing to permit one man or one group of men to "ruin" the country up to a certain point, but once let 'em get it into their heads that they don't want the country "ruined" they'll unruin it fast enough.

It is noted that Senator Borah is "alarmed" again. The senator believes in becoming "alarmed" while there is yet time to do something about it. He is a good deal of a comfort, Senator Borah.

Of course, it is little I know of European politics, but every time I read in the papers that France and England have dispatched another "warning" to Mussolini I cannot help wondering what he does with it. Does he call that bored look to his face and toss the "warning" nonchalantly into the waste basket or does he do his famous rippin'-and-snortin' act? He must have quite a number of "warnings" amongst his souvenirs if he saves 'em up.

I notice it usually embarrasses a man who is giving out a line of talk on the constitution of the United States to ask him if he has ever read the constitution. It is a bit astonishing—the number of us who have never read the constitution.

And, after all, says a man whose forehead bears the furrows of thought, I dunno as it is much to be wondered at that so many folks aren't familiar with the constitution. I was at a dinner party once, says he, 16 people at the table, men and women, average intelligence, and the hostess was one of these women who think up things of an instructive nature to amuse their guests. On this occasion, after the roast turkey had gone round a couple of times, and the pie had been served by the pink-checked Norwegian maid, and the coffee urn had been placed at the hostess's right hand, she announced that she was to give a prize, a really worth while prize, to everyone present who was able to answer a question which she had written on slips of paper and which the maid would announce and distribute. The question was "What is the wording of the preamble to the constitution of the United States?" None of the guests was able to "remember." One ventured to give the first words of the preamble, but was ruled out after he had triumphantly bawled "When in the course of human events." Then, tactful lady that she was, the hostess took one of the children's school histories from a stand, where it chanced (?) to have been left, and read the preamble. She said she was never able to remember it herself.

In Salem it was at a picture show. A youth and a maid beside me here.

He looked like a prince, as princes go,
And she like a princess, passing fair;
Yet to her whispers his response was gruff,
Which I thought strange, till a breath in flight,
Explained the matter clearly enough—
She'd had green onions at tea that night.

"Wake Up and Live," at the Grand theatre the past week, will be recorded in Salem diaries as one of the most interesting, as well as most musical, pictures of the sort ever seen and heard here. A feature of the Wednesday night show was the appearance in person of 13-year-old Edith Fellows.

Mow Your Lawn

with the

Moto-Boy

"Twist-of-the-Wrist control makes lawn mowing easy. 1/2-h. p. Briggs-Stratton air-cooled motor does all the work."

F. O. B. \$87.00
Salem \$87.00

Other Sizes \$58 to \$155

Ask for Demonstration

G. M. Slentz Feed & Seed Company

Phone 8503 2706 Portland Rd.

Pinball Petitions May Come in Soon

Referendum of Carney and Martin Measures Near Goal, Report Here

Petitions for referendum of the two anti-gambling laws enacted at the last legislative session are in circulation and probably will be filed in the state department here within two weeks.

One law under attack was introduced by Representative Hannah Martin of Marion county and outlaws slot machines, pinball games and similar devices. The other bill was fathered by Senator Carney and makes it unlawful to operate slot machines and other gambling devices. The Martin bill goes a step farther than the Carney measure and provides for confiscation and destruction of gambling machines.

The Martin bill originally contained the emergency clause but this later was eliminated at the request of Governor Charles H. Martin.

Need 12,512 Names
The completed petitions must contain 12,512 signatures to insure placing the referendum measure on the ballot at the next general election. Walter Toose, Portland attorney, estimated that 30,000 signatures would be obtained within the required time. The petitions must be filed by June 6.

Petitions containing more than 2,000 names are now being checked against the registration lists by the Marion county clerk. Other county clerks also are covering the signatures, reports here indicated.

A third referendum is directed at the so-called antiprice cutting law of the last legislative session. This law prohibits merchants from selling their goods at a price lower than the cost of production plus a reasonable profit. This referendum is sponsored by George C. Stanley, Eugene merchant.

Protecting Woods From Fire Is Aim

Extensive plans looking towards increased efficiency in both protection and fire suppression work in Oregon are under way at this time. State Forester Ferguson announced this weekend.

"Our most difficult problem is in connection with the administration of the operators permit law," Ferguson said. He said there would be 2000 operators within the forests of the state during the coming summer.

Saturday marked the deadline for securing permits by those who are now engaged in industrial work in the forests. New operators must get these permits before the work starts.

Ferguson said his inspectors would check carefully all forest operations to see that permits were obtained.

"A determined effort will be made this year to reduce the number of man-caused fires," Ferguson declared.

The records last year showed that nearly 90 per cent of all fires in the forests were man-caused and 95 per cent of the damage was caused by the camper, smoker, incendiary and similar individuals.

The remainder of the fires and damage resulted from industrial causes, Ferguson said.

New Officers Hosts at Improvement Club Meet

GATES, May 15.—The Woman's Improvement club met at the club room on Thursday afternoon with the recently elected officers acting as hostesses.

Mrs. A. B. Horner was appointed to make arrangements for a Memorial day exercise at the Fairview cemetery. A letter of appreciation from C. W. Jones, school principal, of the work of the local club and their cooperation in school affairs, was read before the club.

Rebekahs Entertained
AMITY, May 15.—The social committee of Industry Rebekah lodge of Amity entertained with cards and other games at the close of the regular lodge session this week. Refreshments were served to the 35 members and guests. The Past Noble Grand club of Industry lodge is finishing a quilt for the I.O.O.F. home.

Blossom Queen



Blue-eyed and a blonde, Gretchen Thomson of New Orleans was chosen as queen at the 14th annual Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival at Winchester, Va., May 7-8. Only 19, she was the youngest ever so honored.

Poppy Days Plan Backed by Legion

Sale of Memorial Flower May 28-29 Supported By Post Official

Veterans of the World war were urged to pay tribute to their fallen comrades on Poppy days, May 28-29, in a message issued by George Averett, commander of the Capital post of the American Legion.

Commander Averett called upon all members of the legion and other veterans to observe the days by wearing memorial poppies in honor of the war dead. His message stated:

"On May 28-29, our comrades who gave their lives in defense of the country will be remembered and honored by the wearing of their memorial flower, the poppy. We who served by their sides can never forget the great patriotic sacrifice they made. All Legionnaires and other veterans will, I am sure, be among the first to wear the flower of remembrance on Poppy days.

The poppies will be distributed by the women of the American Legion auxiliary, our wives, mothers, sisters and daughters. They are giving their services on that day to bring everyone in the city an opportunity to honor the war dead and help the disabled and fatherless families. The poppies have been made by disabled veterans unable to do other work. Contributions received for the flower will be used in the welfare activities of the legion and auxiliary.

"Twenty years have passed since the call to war came, but we of the legion have not forgotten. We are still devoted to the ideals for which we fought and hold high the memory of those who died in service to country. We hope that all patriotic citizens will join us in wearing the poppy on Poppy days."

IS YOUR EXTERIOR "RUN-DOWN"?

Paint up before decay makes your house really sick!

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS SWP HOUSE PAINT

Paint is protection... prevents rotting decay. Be sure you paint with famous old SWP... the paint so widely used for its extra and longer-lasting protection. Paint, too, for beauty—you'll be prouder of your home in a beautiful dress of SWP. No other paint can match it in sheer good looks. It's smooth, lustrous—and washable. Let us show you the 32 beautiful SWP colors. Ask for our book, "The Truth about House Paint." It's free.

R. L. Elfstrom Co.

Formerly Nelson Bros. Paint and Roofing Dept.
361 Chemeketa Phone 6022
Pabco Roofing SWP Paints
PAIN HEADQUARTERS