

Gardening Today

By LILLIE MADSEN

The following paragraph is frankly copied:

"Confess. When you've watered the brown earth with your precious sweat all through a hot weekend, and then stand looking along well-kept rows of flourishing crops aren't you pretty proud of yourself? Think you'll always need a war to make you recapture this feeling? There are less rewarding humbler but no less rewarding triumphs to victory gardening than feeding people."



And the real gardener finds this very true—all but the hot weekends—and maybe they are coming.

We are advised in this day of shortage of labor to let the lawn grow as high as possible and still be able to cut it with the lawn mower. This method has two reasons: first, the lawn does not have to be cut as often; second, the taller grass shades the weeds and crowds them out. Weeds do not flourish in shade. You do not have to weed quite as much by hand.

Oriental poppies may be divided in July and August. You may have some difficulty in finding the plants unless you stake them. They do the disappearing act almost as soon as they finish blooming. Those of you who want new ones should remember to plant them out in late summer. I have had a number of inquiries this past month about planting oriental poppies. Whenever they bloom in one's friends' garden then we want them. The rest of the time we forget about them. But when they are blooming, is not the time to plant them. You plant them in August and September—when they are definitely not in bloom. It might be well to make a note of this on your garden calendar.

Restrictions on the use of rotenone in the victory garden have been somewhat relaxed. And what rotenone will do to the enemies of the victory garden!

One gardener writes that she has used all of her early onions and wants to know what to plant in their place. Says she really has all the vegetable garden she needs but doesn't want the ground to go to waste. Includes the information that she used most of her usual cutting beds for vegetables this year.

Well, then why not plant some late flowering annuals where the onions grew? For instance there are French marigolds, calliopsis, zinnias, petunias, asters—well, quite a variety in fact.

In answer to the inquirer who reports her lettuce is tough: There is one fat-livestock advise which applies to both lettuce and spin-

ach: Fatten it early and kill when young and tender. In other words, if you want your leaf vegetables to be really good, keep them growing rapidly and use them when they are young.

Most of you know the new forest teachings—how different they are from the old method of taking out the timber and letting the ground lie idle for years. Now when some trees are taken out, forest seeds are planted to replace the trees that are gone. Well that is a good principle to apply to your garden. Don't let it lie idle this year. Give it a shot of victory garden fertilizer and give it a chance to produce anew. There are a large number of things you can plant throughout the season. Toward the last part of summer, hoe up a couple of rows for winter turnips, rutabagas, cabbage and spinach.

In response to the two requests as to how to treat diseased hyacinth bulbs: If they are not too badly diseased cut away the rotted portion and soak for two hours in a solution of one tablespoonful of semesan to one gallon of water. If the bulb is too badly gone, the only recourse is to burn it at once so that the disease does not scatter.

Wise or Otherwise

By ETHAN GRANT

At this time of year many persons think they are amphibious and take to the water like beavers. Some, lacking the aquatic self-confidence of a beaver, equip themselves with water wings. Now Prof. Otherwise has nothing against the use of water wings if the objective is merely a bath in public. But they certainly are not recommended as an aid to water travel. They not only impede progress, but also have a discouraging tendency to run out of wind at a time when the swimmer himself runs out of wind.

Besides, most persons are naturally buoyant. Persons who are overweight are especially buoyant. This is said to be due to buoyancy, which in turn is caused by metabolism and specific gravity. Buoyancy causes what is known in maritime circles as "displacement." That will give you a rough idea.

Swimming is an art which can be acquired only by learning to swim. The two most popular styles are the American and the Australian crawl. The only difference is that one swims the Australian crawl with the head submerged, except when it becomes necessary to breathe. The idea was contributed by the ostrich. The American crawl was designed for sprint swimming and John Weissmuller, by Coach Bill Bensch of Chicago.

With the crawl stroke, you merely lie on the surface and execute the proper arm and leg movements. If objects on the shore appear to be moving, don't be alarmed, for it means you are swimming. Also if you bump your head against the end of the pool. This means you should turn around and swim back. Or climb out and take an aspirin.

At first, you may not present a pretty spectacle. But do not mind that. In fact, you must not mind even though you never present a pretty spectacle. Do not try to imitate a seal. You could not swim with the grace and ease of a seal even if you wore a seal-skin coat valued at \$10 a square inch. It is bad practice wearing a seal-skin coat in swimming, anyway.

The modern public bath wears as little as the law will allow.

A less spectacular but easier method of swimming is the side stroke. This is accomplished by swimming on the side. It does not require very much coordination of the feet and hands. By reaching out and pulling successive handfuls of water toward you with your hands, and kicking it away from you with your feet, you can often attain amazing speed. An accomplished side stroker sometimes can attain the speed of a surfed mule grazing a path through a straw stack.

The most difficult method is the back stroke, although thousands have mastered it. Most authorities agree that the most successful method of swimming the back stroke is on the back.

The unexpected always happens in the army. We dropped a couple of bites and missed three breaths the other day when one of the KPs was wearing a silver bar.

As a private at our table held out the pitcher for a refill, in walked a lieutenant, took the pitcher to the kitchen and brought it back filled. Our buddy was too surprised to make more than a feeble stab at recovery when he saw the officer, who acted as if he were there for just that purpose.

Cheers don't leave a mess hall quiet!

The boys in Company A aren't hard to get along with or to keep in line. We just greeted the CO, back from leave, and sent the top sergeant on his merry frolicous way.

"Home Front" isn't the only one who wants another piece of the cake.

It's things like that soldiers dream and talk about when they mention home, the folks, the wife and kiddies, and the girl friend.

That is, with face up. The legs are kept stiff at the hips but slightly disjoined at the knees and ankles. The arms are employed alternately as oars. The outstanding advantage of this method is that one does not blister the hands or lose the earlocks.

The oldest known swimming method is the breast stroke, which is said to have originated in Denmark in the ninth century, when the Norsemen were preparing to invade England. Captain Webb, the first to swim the English Channel, was a breast stroker. Many swimmers use this method but few really master it. The action is similar to that of a measuring wheel or a jack rabbit, with the swimmer successively doubling up and stretching out again. It has the disadvantage of not being very much fun. Besides being undignified.

Among the aquatic sports closely allied with swimming is the dive. There are many types of dives, such as the high dive, low dive, swan dive, jack-knife dive, gainer, half-gainer, twist, half-twist, tobacco-twist and plunge. Another type of dive is that hidden in an alley or on the outskirts of town, where everybody knows it exists but the police and the sheriff. This dive is also sometimes known as a "dump" or a "joint."

A universal type of dive is the belly-flopper. It is practiced by novices and persons who are inherently timid. None but the most rugged can stand more than three or four belly-floppers in one afternoon. Except the hippopotamus.

Learning to dive is somewhat like trying to sing bass. You can either do it or you cannot do it. Diving in shallow water is always dangerous, while swimming in deep water is equally dangerous. The safest practice is to bathe at home. Unless you are merely seeking a cool tan. And even that is sometimes dangerous. And so is trying to sing bass.

Perhaps we had better not say any more about it.

'Clean' Can All Needed In Fat Drive

In response to many inquiries from housewives who state that they are finding it increasingly difficult to acquire large, wide-mouthed containers, such as coffee or shortening cans, in which to deliver their waste kitchen fats to butchers and meat dealers, the Oregon state salvage committee emphasized today that any kind of a clean tin can will serve the purpose.

"It is true that larger cans are preferable and should be used whenever available," declared Roderick Finney, executive secretary of the state committee. "However, if this type of can is not available, any kind of a clean tin can—a fruit can, a vegetable can or a soup can—will do."

To Make Home Here

AUMSVILLE—Mrs. Marion Stanberry of Chattanooga, Tenn., arrived in Portland Saturday and was met there by her husband, who is employed here at the Darley plantation. They expect to make their home here and may buy a place.

Army Barge Launched

PORTLAND, June 26—(P)—The 10th of a series of 110-foot barges for the army transport service was launched Saturday at St. Johns by Kern & Kibbe.

Sergeant Sells \$400 In War Bonds

Asserting that he had no other place to go and would stay at the victory center selling bonds until AWOL, Staff Sgt. J. Morpurgo of the Timber Wolf division succeeded in selling war bonds to the sum of \$400 at the Saturday war bond program of the junior chamber of commerce.

Sgt. Morpurgo, formerly in charge of war bond sales at the Astor hotel in New York, has sold Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands a \$2000 war bond, a well-known sale for the sergeant whose eight relatives in Rotterdam were killed by Nazi bombs.

Other features on the program included the tap dancing of Pvt. John Durlisser of the Timber Wolf division and the offer of the Grand theatre of a six months pass to all purchasers of \$50 war bonds.

Aux. Alyce Cline of the Salem WAAC recruiting station asked Salem women to come to the post office headquarters of the organization to enlist or learn any information about WAAC activities.

Numbers on the victory war bond program were: Geraldine Des Georges and Jean Schriest, vocalists; Pearl Crockett, accordionist; Geraldine Schmoker, violinist; Betty Pierce, baloon twirler; members of the Triple Trio; Arlene Frogley, saxophonist; and Joann Twedt, accompanist.

School Buys Thirty Lots On Nob Hill

Purchase by Salem school district the past week of 30 lots in blocks 3 and 4 of Nob Hill annex for \$2255 from the City of Salem was the second largest of 34 "deals" by which the city since January 1 has sold properties acquired for delinquent assessments.

Total of the sales is \$19,730, representing property appraised at approximately \$19,300. Largest was to H. L. Stiff, who bought 35 lots in Rosedale addition for \$5975 on April 5. The same day A. J. Flint purchased eight lots in the same addition for \$1225. A lot in University addition went to Ivan G. Martin for \$1550, another in that same addition to Earl F. Groblebe for \$900.

The school district purchase is to be used, along with nine other lots in the two blocks, which the district is buying from Col. Carlie Abrams and Paul Hendricks for \$900, as an addition to now-adjacent Leslie field.

U of O Enrollment Takes 824 Drop

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, June 26.—Although enrollment dropped at the University of Oregon from 2958 fall term to 2134 spring term, scholarship increased at the rate of 1 per cent each term, it is revealed by honor roll statistics for the school year ending May 30. The decrease in enrollment is attributed to the large number of men students joining the armed forces and the increase in scholarship to more intensive study.

Jack W. Gibson, Coe Roberts, and Barbara E. Scott, all of Salem, were among the 149 students on the honor roll. To be eligible one must have an average of half A's and half B's.

CB Procurement Officer Sates Work in Salem

Warrant Carpenter L. J. Wolgamood, procurement officer for the Seabees, will be in Salem Thursday, July 1, to give out information about openings for skilled trade ratings in the navy's

construction battalion, the local recruiting officer, Chief Quartermaster Robert B. Fallon, has announced.

Several new ratings have been added to the list, including armorers, excavation foremen, master-at-arms, bakers, cooks, instrument men, sailmakers and stewards.

Wolgamood will be at the local office, second floor post office

Coupons Counterfeit

Gas ration coupons, suspected of being counterfeit, were discovered in Portland by OPA enforcement officials and turned over to the US secret service.

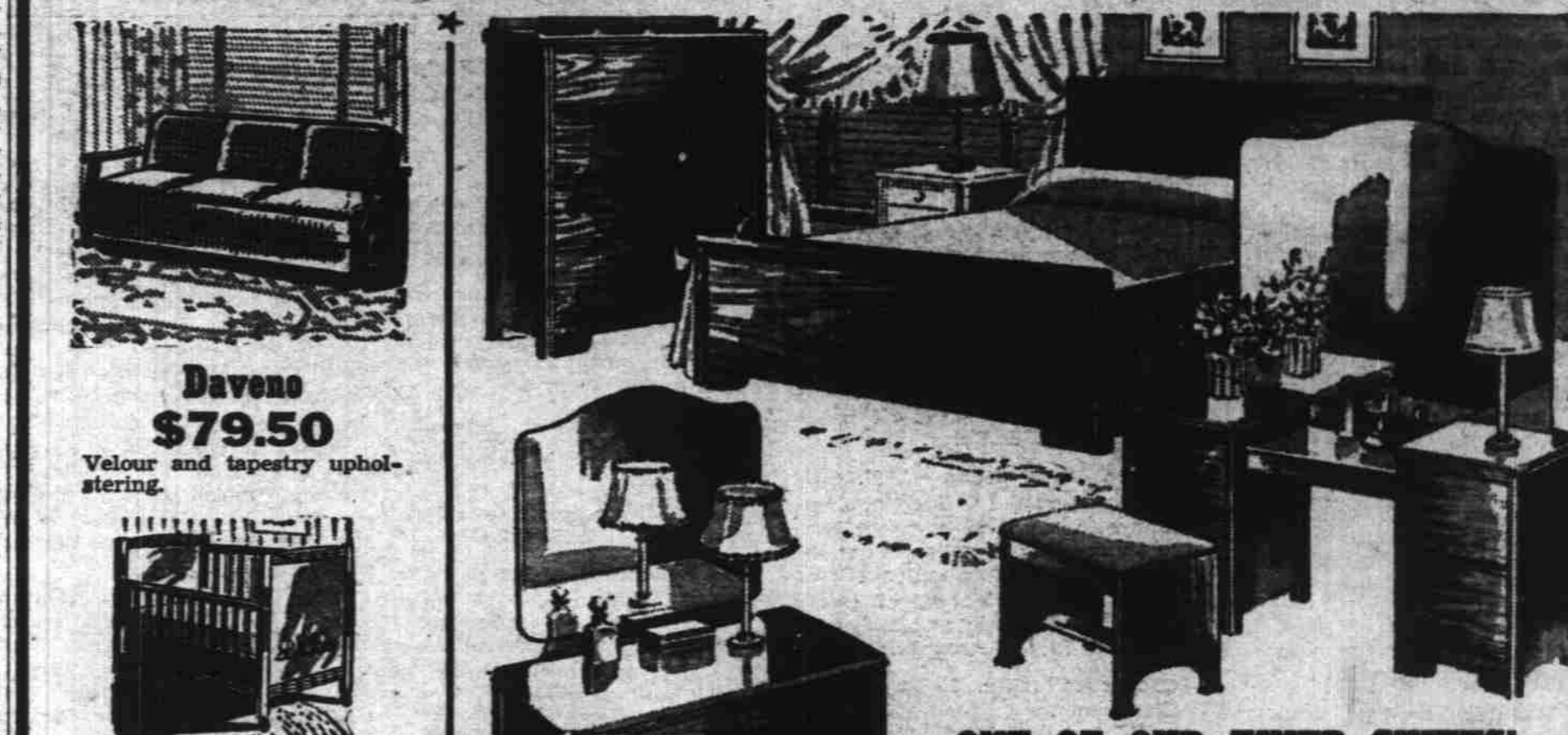
building, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. He will assign ratings to persons qualified in skilled trades and the special jobs.

Loewens Move Here

WEST SALEM—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Loewen of North Dakota, father and mother of Rev. Loewen of the Mennonite church, with their daughter, Betty, have moved to West Salem. Until a house is available, they are making their home with the Rev. Loewen.

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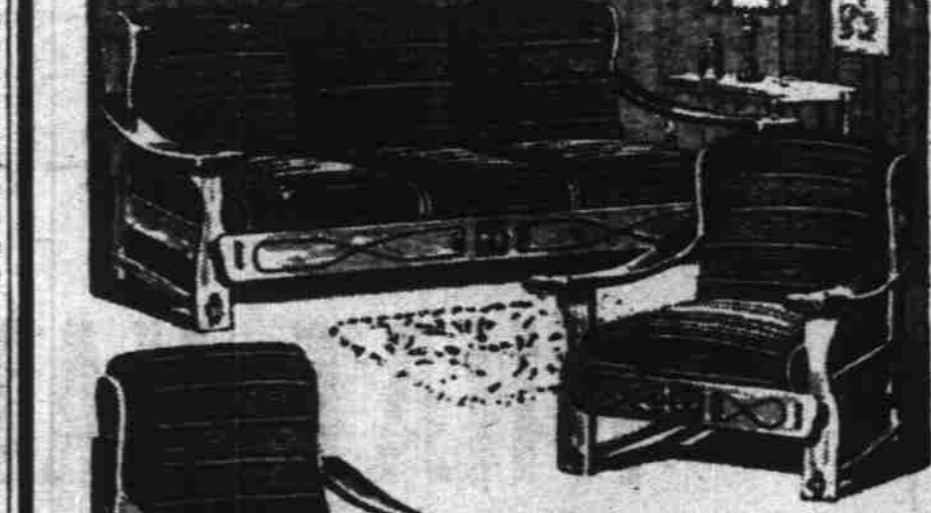
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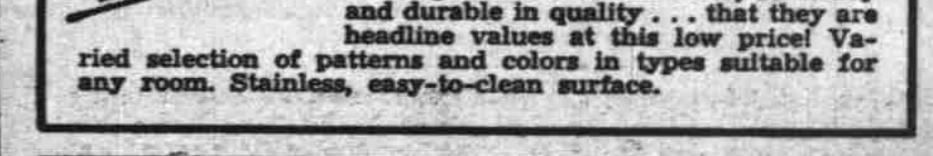
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