

Gardening Today

By Little L. Madsen
Most of us are accustomed to gathering garden vegetables including sweet corn, early in the morning. This procedure in general is a good one, but R. Ralph Clark, Oregon's extension horticulturist comes up with the idea that sweet corn is sweeter in the middle of the afternoon. Sunlight makes the sugar turn to starch during the night. As the day progresses, sugar content becomes higher again and this is the reason for recommending the afternoon harvest.



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Clark also advances another good idea and that is to remove leaves from all leafy vegetables

such as beets and carrots as soon as possible after gathering. The reason is that leaves continue to remove food and moisture from the roots after digging.
Flower Show at Fair
The fair board is telling us that the floral exhibits at the state fair, September 1 to 7, will be the best ever. Professional exhibits will be the largest in years and will include orchids, chrysanthemums and a number of other flowers. Gladioli and dahlias will outnumber previous years with division provided for growers. There is also a division for floral baskets and decorations, another for amateurs and one for garden clubs. In the amateur division classes call for best bouquets of mixed flowers, of gladioli, of large dahlias and pompon dahlias, of asters and of marigolds. Bouquets must consist of six or more specimens. Persons wishing to exhibit in collections should have applied for space but, the deadline is today the rules state. Other floral entries close at 6 p.m. August 25.

A few additional rules in regard to the flower show include: Showing of dahlias with long stems is required. Do not bring flowers that are cut too young. Semidouble flowers should not be displayed in double varieties. Imperfect flowers due to insects, wind, rain or sun damage, should not be shown. Do not cut flowers during the heat of the day. Dipping one inch of the stem in boiling water for one minute will enhance the keeping qualities. Dahlias and gladioli shown singly cannot be shown in collections. The state fair will furnish vases and charge them out against the entry member.

Garden Calendar
August 26-29—Flower and garden show at Clackamas county fair, Canby.
September 1-7—Flower show at Oregon State fair, Salem.

September 11—Salem Men's Garden club, YMCA.
September 12-14—Fuchsia show Portland Art Museum.
September 27-28—Annual Corvallis Rose show.

Questions and Answers
B. R. asks if it is better for the lawn to leave the clippings on or to remove them.
Ans.: Sometimes in the early spring when the grass is very heavy, it is the better idea to remove the clippings. But at this time of the year the lawn should be not too closely and the clippings should be permitted to remain. Gradually they will build up a better topsoil.

H. L. enclosed some curled and discolored strawberry leaves to find out cause of trouble.
Ans.: These are infected with mildew and should be dusted with sulphur.

W. N. G. asks if there is something else to use to control the larvae of leaf miners feeding on shrubs. Says he cannot obtain nicotine sulphate which has been advised. Wants to know about DDT.
Ans.: Nicotine sulphate has been difficult to obtain this season but have been able to get small quantities in some garden stores. Imagine that DDT would control the miner. It controls many other such pests. Will get authoritative information and print in this column soon. In meantime would try DDT, following directions carefully.

C. M. claims she has been spraying roses with nicotine sulphate all summer and still "The foliage turns yellow and drops off."
Ans.: C. T. better send nicotine sulphate to WNG who has better use for it. The nicotine sulphate is not a fungicide and will not control black spot which undoubtedly is effecting rose bushes. Use a copper fungicide instead. Bordeaux will do more toward controlling the foliage ailment.

Stilverton—S. A. Peterson, who has conducted a paint and wallpaper shop here for the last four years, sold this week to Archie Bovee and will leave for Walla Walla to reside with a daughter. Peterson came to Monitor from Minnesota in 1899.

Pringle—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kendrick and daughter Patsy and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Short of Grass Valley, Calif., are visiting the Arleigh Kendrick family.

Scholarship Is Won By Brooks Student

PORTLAND, Aug. 23—Marian Sayre, Tillamook high school graduate and more recently a resident of Brooks, in Marion county, won second place in a Methodist youth oratorical contest, and a three year scholarship to Willamette university, also \$400 in cash.
Miss Sayre when she was graduated last June from high school, was awarded a one year scholarship to Willamette and the second scholarship will make it a full four year award. She expects to major in drama and music. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sayre.
First honors, a four year scholarship and \$500, went to Helen Kim of Wahau, Oahu, T. H. who will represent the western jurisdiction in Boston next May 1. More than 5000 youth took part in the contest, reports from the 300 district superintendents, show. Chief purpose of the contest was to arouse interest among the Methodist young people in the world service program.

Resume of Missionary Report at Unionvale

UNIONVALE—The missionary report was given by Bertha Magness at the first meeting of the fiscal year of the Women's Society of World Service, affiliated with the Unionvale Evangelical United Brethren church. Mrs. Clarence Warner was hostess.

Mrs. James Richardson, president, conducted the meeting and announced committees. The group packed a box of clothes and other essential items to send to their mission station in Japan. An offering was received for the Kentucky Mission. Miss Magness gave a brief resume of the Camp meeting at Jennings Lodge.

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