

Gardening Today

If anyone wants to see what the simple little flower, petunia, can do for a city he should drive up to Stayton to see the colorful display there.

The annual Stayton Garden club's petunia contest has just been completed and the brilliant parking planting of ruffled California Giants and First Lady petunia planted by Mrs. Andrew Fery won the sweepstake prize.

Mrs. Fery also grew her own plants from seed and almost every seed planted grew and bloomed. Her prize was a camellia plant, presented by the Stayton Garden club.

Each year the Stayton club has this contest with its various divisions. Several years ago petunia, because of its brightness, was chosen as the city's flower, and almost everyone living in Stayton grows some petunias. Mrs. Amanodus Frank won first in the section of petunia landscape under 400 feet, and Mrs. Jerry Marking for that over 400 feet. Four hundred feet of landscape featuring petunias gives a lot of color and beauty to a town.

But many of the smaller plantings were also lovely, some with only petunias and some with mixed flowers; some with solid colors and some with a combination of colors. Mrs. R. L. Stewart took first on her petunia border under 20 feet, in a single color of petunia.

ias, with Mrs. Martin Gahlen taking first in the border between 20 and 50 feet and Mrs. Ruth Spaniol in that over 50 feet.

With her colorful combination of petunia shades, Mrs. Clarissa Lindermann took first place in the petunia border between 20 and 50 feet, Mrs. Jack Stagny in hers under 20 feet and Mrs. Dick McRay over 50 feet.

Mrs. Frank Sigmond planted petunias with other summer flowers in her small border under 20 feet to win the first prize in her division, with Mrs. Joe Fischer taking the prize in the next border division and Mrs. John Murphy in the larger.

Uses of petunias in other ways were also demonstrated in the Stayton contest with Mrs. Andrew Fery placing first as well as taking sweepstakes in the parking planting, Mrs. Frank Stupka in the rockeries, Mrs. Ward Inglis in the porch boxes and Mrs. Raleigh Harlow in commercial petunia planting.

Judges were Mrs. Pernal Dodele and Mrs. William C. Mickelson both of Albany.

Garden Calendar

Sept. 1-4—Clackamas county fair flower show, Canby.

Sept. 6-12—Oregon state fair flower show, Salem fairgrounds.

Sept. 8—Independence Garden club.

Sept. 8—Mt. Angel Garden club.

Sept. 9—Men's Garden club of Salem.

Sept. 14—Woodburn Garden club.

Sept. 17—Stayton Garden club.

Sept. 25-26—Linn-Benton flower show, Scio.

Oct. 4—Salem Garden club.

Questions and Answers

V. G. asks if blueberries can be grown here. Says she is from the Carolinas and has "been brought up" on blueberries. Has an acre of ground on which she wants to plant a few things including blueberries if they can stand our climate.

Ans.: They stand the climate

here very well. They must, however, have an acid soil. The soil should not be soggy but should be able to retain moisture. Add peat, composted leaves, sawdust or aluminum sulfate to help make the soil acid. The latter may be applied at the rate of one pound to 75 or 100 square feet. Aluminum sulphate will not supplant the addition of the other material as it

reaction is only temporary. C. R. D. writes that she has done a "foolish thing" by copying down the names of some roses she liked at a rose-show and not the colors. Included are Ami Quinard, Duquesa de Penaranda, Maman Cochet, Irish Elegance, Isobel, National Flower Guild, and Mme. Henri Guillot.

Ans.: Ami Quinard is deep crim-

son; Duquesa de Penaranda almost a peach color; Maman Cochet, carmine-pink; Irish Elegance, single and a rich pink; Isobel, bronze; National Flower Guild, red; Mme. Henri Guillot, pink to orange.

A. S. asks when the star magnolia should be planted, how high it grows and when does it bloom.

Ans.: This Magnolia is very slow growing and will stay at five or

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six feet for years. I believe its maximum is listed at 12 feet. It usually blooms in February, March and April here, depending upon the spring. Early spring— from February to April 1—is about the only time this can be planted really successfully.

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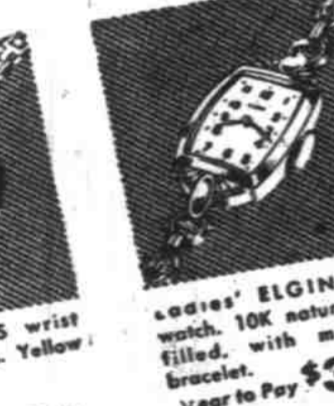
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