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YOUR GARDEN NOTEBOOK
BY MARK M. TAYLOR

ADVICE FOR BEGINNING GARDENERS

Learn all you can from qualified local sources, your county agent, seedsmen, etc.

Plant only the quantity for which you can properly care.

Plant odd varieties only as experiments, in small quantities.

Enjoy your gardening through association with these living plants.

Reap a harvest of your efforts — if you have failures, try to determine the causes, and find a remedy and try again.

DO YOU KNOW

That petunias are the most universally popular of all seed-grown annuals?

When sowing seeds in flats, the soil should be moist but not wet?

Zoysia, an extensively advertised lawn grass substitute, is a creeping perennial grass from Southern Asia, most successfully used in warmer climates?

That Bermuda was the first region to grow Easter Lilies commercially?

Lilacs can be grown in large pots and forced into bloom in a greenhouse?

Leguminous plants (peas, beans, clover, etc.) have the ability to transform atmospheric nitrogen into compounds for use of plants — hence are often used for cover-cropping, as when turned under they add this quality to the soil?

Leguminous plants actually leave a soil richer after being grown than it was previously?

Spring fertilizing of lawn is often on the basis of a 5-10-5 fertilizer, at 1 cubic yard compost with 15 lbs. of fertilizer to 1,000 square feet of lawn?

That Kalmia, or Mountain Laurel, is a member of the Heath family?

The English iris, a bulbous iris, really comes to us from Spain?

READER'S QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Q. My new lawn planted last fall is now about 4 inches high. How much should I cut off now? —W.B.

Ans. Set the mower to 2 to 2½ inches for now then later set the mower at 1½ inches.

Q. What fertilizer is best to use on lawns now? —W.B.

A. A yearly top dressing of weed-free organic fertilizer at 25 lbs. to 1,000 square feet is advisable. This builds up the organic content of the soil that may be washed away by the previous season's irrigating. Use of 3 to 5 lbs. of ammonium sulphate per 1,000 square feet of lawn every 6 to 8 weeks is good practice if well watered in. Watering in prevents the possibility of burning.

Q. Isn't present new growth on roses liable to be damaged by a late frost? —E.D.

A. Certainly, but if this happens, prune the blighted growth back to the next outside eye and you will find that it will recover rapidly. Roses are, as a rule, very hardy.

Q. When is the average date of the last killing frost in the lower Willamette Valley? —R.P.

A. Generally conceded to be about May 15, though it may vary to as early as March 15.

Q. What fruit trees require pollinizers to insure fruit?

A. Usually, cherries, peaches and grapes require pollinizers in order to insure fruiting by the female plant. This may vary with

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Hideaway beds are enjoying a comeback and for a good reason. It's because the homes being built these days are generally smaller and more compact, yet the people who buy them like to have as much room to move about in as they ever had before.

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