

The Circuitor Has a Notion That—

you will bear with him just once more on the subject of flower gardens when you take into consideration that it won't be long now till we are deprived of them. Even now there's a flash of flame in the vine maple; the Virginia creeper on the east wall at Mrs. Suter's is splashed with crimson; the wild rose is ablaze with red pips—and we know they are the campfires of the invader who merely bides his time. Some still night, not so far off, when the moon lights his way, he will scale the wall and a white blanket will be spread over our flower gardens.

With this thought in mind I stopped the other evening, and gazed long upon the beauty spot that Mr. Roy L. Meyers, of Eagle Creek, has so generously placed close to the highway, where the weary traveler may imbibe the inspiration and peace that is there. As I stood looking, not seeing things in detail, but conscious of the glory of the whole plan, the setting sun played full upon a hedge of African Marigolds that borders the east, bringing out the flaming orange and the clear gold hues. There was something in the carnival beauty of the scene that sent my spirit groping for memories, lost voices—other days, carefree days. "Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn," I quoted and turned to meet the gardener, himself.

Mr. Meyers is not a farmer; but he knows his flowers; and I have a very strong notion that had not Finance not intrigued him at such an early age, landscape architecture would have claimed him.

As it is, he is achieving great things. It is no small task to arrange plantings so that from early spring until frost every section of the garden will be abloom. It takes a born gardener to do this—with so many wonderful things offered by dazzling seed, bulb and plant catalog. I asked Mr. Meyers if he planned this garden on paper, and was told that he did not. I was sure of the answer before I got it. Mr. Meyers' garden isn't the paper planned kind. It's a heart-garden, if you know what I mean. No arrogance; no cold dignity; no stiff formality. Just beauty, instinctively grouped.

Yes, it won't be long now. Long summer days that seemed to drag their feet have quickened their step. They soon will take flight, picking up as they go the things of summer, not overlooking the flower gardens. It would be well if we paused in the hurry and bustle of every day life long enough to become acquainted with the spirit of the garden, the spirit of beauty and peace, while yet we may—before the invader scales the wall, white blanket in hand.

Dear Circuitor:—

I deeply regret that I was not home when you called at Bonnie Brook Farm last week, but was glad to learn through the Clackamas County News that you had found pleasure in taking a walk among the flowers in my garden.

It does not look like the picture I have seen of the Garden of Gethsemane, but I am striving each year to make it more like it.

Yes, the dahlia is a favorite flower of mine and no plant in the floral kingdom has made such marked improvement in size, form and coloring in the past few years as has the dahlia. No garden is complete without a show of these brilliant and stately flowers, and nothing gives greater returns for a little money and care. Their easy culture should appeal to all and the freedom from disease and insect pests is another great asset. The dahlia is so profuse in bloom!

It seems to me that I could not have an armful of flowers the whole season through without the dahlia. So I hope that lovers of the beautiful will at least give a corner in their garden to this wonderful flower.

Dear Mr. Circuitor, do come again and if I am not at home please remain until I have seen you—go in and make yourself at home—put your nag in in the stable; there is plenty of corn in the crib, and you will always find a welcome at Bonnie Brook Farm. Sincerely,

GRANT TEST.

FARMERS WISHING FOR RAIN

Farmers in and around the Sandy section are watching the skies with a hope that Jupe may get busy. The ground is so dry plowing is impossible and rain is also needed for berry fields and late potatoes.

JARLS ENTERTAIN RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Jarl entertained twelve relatives at a big dinner Sunday at their Kelso farm home. Vernie Jarl was home from White Salmon where he is driving a logging truck, for the event.

With the County Agent

Fall Bordeaux Spray

A protective coating of bordeaux (4-4-50) just ahead of the fall rains is essential in the control of several of our horticultural diseases. Among the more important of these are:

Anthracnose of the apple (unless sprayed in July or August).

European canker of the pear and apple.

Peach blight of the peach and apricot.

Anthracnose of the bramble fruits. Septoria of the bramble fruits.

Moss and lichens of the fruit and nut trees.

Thoroughness of application should receive especial attention with these fall sprays.

Strawberry Crown Borer

The crown borer is the most serious insect pest of strawberries. Infested plants do not make the rank luxuriant, late summer and fall growth that healthy plants do. All such plants should be pulled, carried out of the field and burned.

A careful survey of the strawberry fields should be made at this time of the year for this purpose. While this is not a complete remedy for the crown borer, it will go a long way in holding it in check.

Seed Cover Crops Now

Failing to seed a cover crop one season is a step backwards; one which will require several seasons' efforts to overcome. The only fruit or nut growers in the Northwest justified in not seeding cover crops are those having five tons of stable manure or 2 1-2 tons of sheep manure or 2 1-2 tons of clover straw or 1 1-4 tons of clover hay or 1 ton of alfalfa hay or 2 tons of straw plus 100 to 150 pounds of sulphate of amonia per acre of fruit or nuts grown to apply.

Four-H Clubs

Four-H club livestock members at the county fair furnish everything but the bedding, which is furnished by the fair board.

This is the first year that it has been insisted upon that all club members have their individual water buckets, feed boxes and troughs. In accordance with all sanitary methods of handling livestock, veterinarians have urged these rules be strictly adhered to when the club members move into their new barn.

GETS NEW FORD COUPE

Ed Everett of the Sandy Lumber company has purchased a new Ford coupe from the Bob Smith Garage of Sandy.

WISHES HE HAD BOUGHT TOWNSITE OF SANDY

Mr. Klein of Portland, who used to buy cattle here 45 years ago called on the Junkers, Sunday. Klein says he was offered all of Sandy in "them days" for \$500, and is now sorry he did not take it. Mr. Lang, another friend of the Junkers, also called Sunday.

ELIZABETH GERDES KILLED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

Elizabeth, a daughter of Henry Gerdes, a pioneer who kept the first store in Sandy, was killed Labor Day in an accident at Agate Beach, near Newport. Henry and Christine Gerdes were with her in the car, but escaped injury when the car crashed over a thirty-foot embankment. Henry, her brother, is a member of the Sandy pioneer society.

GANGERS CALLED TO ST. JOHN

Mr. and Mrs. William Ganger were called to St. John last week because of the sudden death of a friend, Eugene Reid, who died suddenly of heart failure, at Olallie Lake, on Labor Day. He was camping at the lake with his wife and daughter. Mr. Reid seemed in usual health, but all at once collapsed.

SANDY WOOD INDUSTRY ON THE UPGRADE

More wood is being shipped from Sandy vicinity than ever before and the market is more steady. Hundreds of cords are being stacked by the highway while side roads are dry, and will be shipped via truck later. Judd Bros., a new wood firm at Gresham, is said to have purchased about five thousand cords near Sandy and many other firms are contracting, beside the slabwood dealers that buy up the mill product. A. C. Martin of Sandy has about finished stacking three hundred cords of wood for Dixon-Howitt.

ELWOOD

The P. T. A. put the school house and grounds in A-1 condition for the beginning of school and received a liberal sum from the school board. Being women, they will know how to get their money's worth when they spend it.

Hop picking began in Dan Stahlnecker's yard Monday with the neighbors finding pleasure and profit in picking.

Mrs. M. Park made a trip with the Louis Vallen family to Walton, Ore., last week where they visited relatives and friends.

U. N. Beckley is reported to be ill.

Everet and Irwin Stahlnecker returned from the hop fields at Wilsonville Sunday.

School began Monday with Miss Shoemaker of Portland as teacher.

Jimmie Spittler has returned from Sherwood where he worked during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pahl and children and Ivan Yost of Sandy are visiting relatives here this week.

GO TO WARM SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seales and small son Wallace left Monday for the mountains for a few days stay at the Warm Springs.

CHERRYVILLE ITEMS

There has been a labor turnover at the Sandy Lumber company mill recently, due to sickness, etc, around five new families having moved in. Ray Palmquist was down last week with an attack of gripp and was threatened with pneumonia.

It is reported that Jack Greenwood has bought out his partner, Bill Lenz, and that Greenwood will have entire charge of the logging. It is also reported that twenty additional acres of timber is purchased.

Mrs. Dave Douglass, Waldo and Floyd, stayed with the arduous labor of picking huckleberries until 150 gallons were either marketed or put up for home use.

"Red" Nelson has been home spending a week's vacation. He left for Taft again Monday.

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