

Navy Dept. Vets May Obtain New Service Medals

Navy, marine corps and coast guard veterans eligible for the China service medal and the navy occupation service medal may now obtain these at local navy recruiting stations, the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs learned this week.

The occupation service medal is issued those who served with navy branches during the occupation of former enemy territory, either in the European or Asiatic theaters. The China Service medal goes to naval branch personnel who participated in operations in China between Sept. 3, 1945, and March 2, 1946, provided such persons are eligible for the Asiatic-Pacific campaign medal.

Veterans who feel they are eligible for either of the medals should take a photostatic copy of their notices of separation to the nearest navy recruiting station, where officials can determine whether the ship or shore station on which the applicant served

comes within the purview of the act.

Application also may be by mail to any navy recruiting station, in which case the veteran should submit a copy of his separation papers and give the dates of his service in the theater of operations. If the veteran does not have these papers he may obtain a statement of service from the records division, navy department, bureau of personnel, Washington 25, D. C.

Survivors of deceased veterans who had established eligibility may apply for either medal by writing the bureau of naval personnel.

Navy recruiting stations issuing the medals are at Bend, Coos Bay, Eugene, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, LaGrande, Medford, Salem, The Dalles, Vancouver, Wash., and the Dekum building, Portland. Part-time stations at Corvallis, Roseburg, Pendleton and Longview, Wash., will take applications and forward them.

Other medals available, for both army and navy personnel, include the American defense, American area campaign, European-African-Middle Eastern area campaign, Asiatic Pacific area campaign, and World War II Victory medals.

COOKED FOOD SALE

The Women's Fellowship of Bethel Congregational Church is holding a cooked food sale Saturday, February 18, beginning at 10:30 a. m., at McMahon's office at 85 N. W. Broadway in Beaverton. The group which is studying Japan of today will meet at the home of Mrs. C. E. Mason on February 23 at 12:30.

Everyone interested is welcome to come, bring your own sandwiches and the hostess will serve coffee.



Northwest Gardens

By JOHN H. HANLEY, Ph. D.

PRIMROSES—It won't be long before the first primroses will be pushing forth their typically bright, early-spring hues. The acaulis and Juliae forms usually show their first blooms shortly after that magnificent, yellow-flowered shrub, the Chinese Witch-Hazel, has finished.

These earliest of primroses are becoming increasingly popular for both edging and bedding purposes, and even for massing beneath such things as Golden Bells (Forsythia), which is full bloom during the same general period. Later, in March, April and early May, come the delightful, prolific Polyantha primroses.

One doesn't ordinarily think of February as a time for doing anything special with primroses. Dividing and replanting season comes along after June, when the flowers are gone from these early-blooming types. However, to those who wish to work with the seeds, it is not too late to get them started.

About three weeks will be required for complete germination, though it is not unusual to find the first seedlings appearing after seven to nine days from fresh, healthy seeds. The soil mixture should be light and fluffy, such as one might get by mixing sandy compost with peat moss, vermiculite or screened leaf mold.

The container, be it shallow flat or pot, should have plenty of coarse drainage or mixed with the soil itself. An inch and a half of the seed soil is sufficient to carry the youngsters until they are ready for transplanting. The seeds are small and fine, and need not be covered once they are broadcast.

Keep the temperature around 70 degrees, with lots of moisture in the air. The surface should remain uniformly moist, with no quick changes from dry, to wet, to dry, etc. A humid atmosphere, obtained

as with a pane of glass over the container, maintains humidity in the air and in the soil surface. When the seedlings have developed a strong pair of leaves so they can be readily handled, transplant them to another flat, spaced two inches apart, there to grow until setting-out time in May.

INSECT PESTS—Strawberry root weevils are the worst pests of primroses. Soil treatments, plus baiting from June to September, are the methods employed to get rid of them.

Whenever primroses are being planted or transplanted, it is wise to mix one of the good soil dusts, containing Chlordane, DDT, and Lindane, into the ground where the tender, susceptible roots lie.

DORMANT SPRAYING—Until the dormant buds on peach trees, and on the roses, have actually swelled up to the point of "breaking", thereby exposing the newly developing leaves, one can still spray both these popular plants with dormant-strength mixtures for such things as Peach Leaf Curl, Scale insects and overwintering diseases of other types. (Mildew and Black Spot).

The liquid lime-sulphur, now called calcium polysulphides, (with a good spreader included in the mixture) can be used with real effectiveness. Remember always that dormant spraying has many advantages, not the least of which is that you are applying clean-up and "preventive" materials at a time when most of the helpful insects, the parasites and the bees will be unhurt by the chemicals.

FLOWERS—In the flower garden, if you are looking for something a bit different, why not try some of the newer forms of Flowering Tobacco, the so-called Nicotiana, or Nicotiana?

Remember the old-fashioned (and still superbly good) types which tend to close their fragrant flow-

ers during sunny hours? The newer forms, with blooms that stay out all the time, may be found under the name "Daylight" or "Sensation" Nicotianas. If this is your first trial with them, we recommend that they be used in less conspicuous spots, until they have proved that they will do well in your garden.

GROUND-COVERS.—Lots of gardeners look for some particular, low-growing plants for bank and slope plantings. Some of the best, depending on the nature of the particular spot, are: Sagina Moss; the Wild Thymes; Cotoneaster humifusa (Dameri); Bearberry (Kinnick-kinnick); and Pachysandra. Taller ones include: Rose of Sharon St. Johnswort (Hypericum calycinum); Junipers, either the chinensis japonica or horizontalis forms; or even the evergreen, sweet-scented honeysuckle called Hall's Honeysuckle.

See your nurseryman or garden supply merchant for details on these types.



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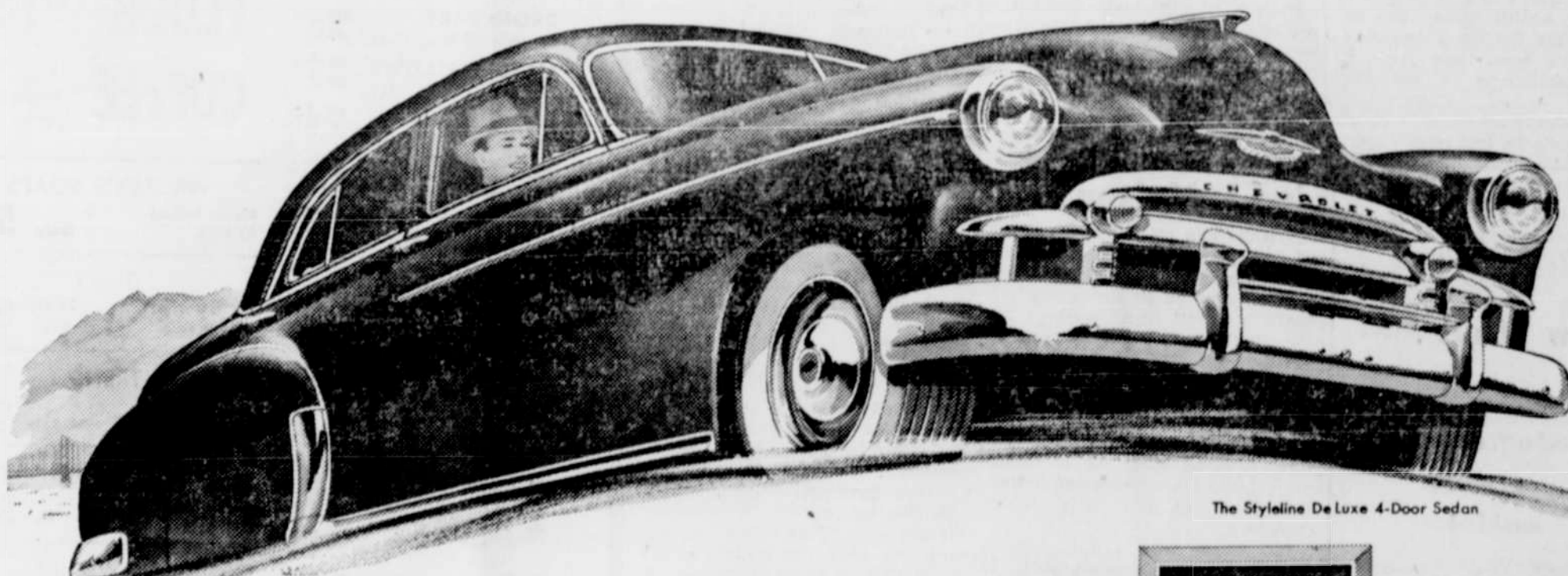


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