



Northwest Gardens

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IS YOUR SOIL RUNNING A TEMPERATURE? It can, you know. Research workers who are interested in such things have recorded some very, very high temperatures at the surface of the soil. . . . temperatures which run up into the 120's, 130's and more.

Couple this with the fact that, for best development of the roots of your garden plants, the temperature should be on the cool side and you may better appreciate the difficulties your flowers and vegetables encounter. And here, of course, is where a good summer mulch of most any kind of loose, organic material comes into its own.

The mulch acts as the near-perfect insulator, reducing evaporation of water from the soil and keeping the temperatures more within a satisfactory growing range. The mulches will also reduce the amount of weeding because they simply smother out any seedlings which may start to grow.

Another most interesting thing we have discovered about mulches is the way they actually make it much easier to pull out some of our worst weeds. . . . things like morning glory and quack grass. The presence of the layer of loose organic stuff seems to induce such underground-rooting types of weed pests to raise the level at which the below-ground parts grow.

Thus, when you pull one of them . . . up will come a one, two or three foot section whereas, without the mulch, you may get a little nubbin a few inches in length. If time permits, we shall certainly put a layer of sawdust among our dahlias and mums this summer, adding the extra ammonium sulphate that is needed of course. You cannot go wrong with a summertime mulch.

SOMETHING OLD . . . SOMETHING NEW . . . you know how the saying goes. Let's apply it to present day gardening practices. To be sure, the advances that have been made in the development of modern insect and disease killing chemicals has eased our task. . . .

BUT . . . never overlook the good features of some of the oldtimers which have been with us for years. Select the best from the old, and the best from the new.

For general insect control, the Lindane sprays look to be "the most likely to succeed" from our 1949-50 graduating class. Even here, however, it is still safest to go back to a good rotenone-pyrethrum mixture for the vegetable garden. Lindane would be the preferred thing among flowers, though.

When it comes to disease killers, nothing that is new can take the place of old-fashioned sulphur for the control of mildews on things like the roses, lilacs, etc. The best procedure is to apply sulphur dust, or one of the good all-purpose garden dusts containing it, as a preventive measure. . . . on susceptible plants like the rose, lilac, delphinium, zinnia, chrysanthemum, and summer phlox.

If, for any reason, the mildew infestation gets too far out of hand, then you had better go to a lime-sulphur spray, making certain to use the **SUMMER** strength which is weaker and less likely to burn.

SOMETHING BORROWED, SOMETHING BLUE . . . The "Something blue" part of this is easy. . . . and can be spectacular, but we would be the last to encourage too much garden "borrowing". Among the early summer "blues" for the garden, never overlook the two Anchusas. . . . lower-growing *myosotidiflora* (Forget-Me-Not flowered, it means) and the giant-sized *italica* (Italian) form of which the Dropmore variety is probably best known. *italica's* color is of the intensely violet-blue shade, sufficiently strong to make it seen from every part of the garden.

AFTER THE RASPBERRY HARVEST IS OVER . . . it's time to remove the old canes so as to throw every available bit of strength into the new shoots. Experiments in Washington indicate that one should leave 9 to 12 new canes for each clump if you want

maximum production.

EASIEST OF ALL POPULAR SHRUBS . . . to grow from cuttings is the camellia. The tip growths (three or four inches long) are removed to make the cuttings. Best rooting media are those containing half vermiculite or peat, and half sand.

Many, many kinds of your favorite shrubs can be grown readily from cuttings taken right now. Use a deep propagating box so that you can place a pane of glass over the top after the cuttings are in. Cover with paper for shade, and keep the temperature up around 65 or 70 (preferably the latter). Always make use of the root-stimulating hormone preparations.

SLOW TO START . . . because of the cold spring weather, it is a fine idea to push annual flowers and vegetables right along as with a two or three weekly application of one of the booster mixtures. Those which contain the minor elements are especially worthy.

First Sec. Bank Shows Gains In All Departments

With total assets of \$4,445,124.92 as of June 30, 1950, the First Security Bank of Beaverton records a general gain in all departments over comparable figures of June 30, 1949, reports Jay Gibson, Sr., president. This increased business, he adds, is in line with the county-wide trend reflected by all banks of the area.

During the year of comparison, deposits have increased almost a quarter million in the 12 months. Loans and discounts show a growth of approximately the same amount of dollar volume.

Meanwhile, capital structure of the institution has increased by \$29,930.32. The bank has also announced 50% increase in interest rate, now paying 1 1/2% on all savings accounts.

During the month of June, over 200 new banking accounts were opened, Gibson reveals, and the three business days preceding July 4th saw the heaviest business on record, with about 1,000 patrons making use of the banking services each day.

In addition to its service to the area, reflected by its strong financial position, the Beaverton bank contributes to community building in various ways, among which is the employment of 15 employees who all reside within the trading area.

Beaverton Pair Visit Capitol of Wyoming on Trip

Cheyenne, Wyoming, June 28—Mr. and Mrs. Von W. Metheny of Beaverton and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Forbush and son, David, of Longview, Washington, visited the capitol building in Cheyenne yesterday enroute to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

On their return trip they will stop at Yellowstone National Park, America's best equipped playground and largest natural zoo.

Wyoming offers many vacation delights. In addition to having the first national park, it also has the first national monument, Devils Tower, tucked away in the northeast section of the state. The world's largest mineral hot springs are located at Thermopolis. The most popular sections of Wyoming are the majestic, snow-capped mountains over which modern highways weave through scenic wonderment. They also offer an almost endless variety of summer and winter recreational facilities, excellent fishing and hunting, and provide a perfect setting for the state's numerous dude ranches.

Premature Pyrotechnic

Gresham area was treated to a premature pyrotechnic display recently.

An account in the *OUTLOOK* tells of a fireworks and novelty company owner "sparking" a hot wire too close to a bit of gun powder-soaked cotton.

The man was installing a floodlight on top of the building at the time. Soon as the cotton started sizzling, he made a wild dash for the great outdoors and escaped the force of the blast that followed.

The explosion destroyed \$3,000 worth of firecrackers and gadgets plus some \$2,000 worth of power tools, not covered by insurance. The blast was felt as far away as the 12-mile corner but it failed to detonate nearby buildings also loaded with explosives. Fireworks display contracted for by the Gresham rodeo were not included in the loss.

FIVE WEEK VACATION JUNKET COVERS POINTS OF INTEREST

By Gertrude E. Pearson

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Thompson have recently returned from an extended tour of the United States. Their trip of five weeks duration took them through California, New Mexico and the southwestern states including such wonders as Grand Canyon and Carlsbad Caverns. At Benton, Arkansas they were the guests of her sister.

Their trip took them eastward to New York and north to Southwest Harbor, Maine where they visited for a week with his sister. Returning the couple stopped in Detroit for a new car before continuing home.

CHANGE FROM ROUTINE

A picnic at Washington Park will offer a diversion from the routine meetings of the Cedar Mill Garden club Wednesday, July 19. A potluck luncheon will be followed by a short business meeting.

TO SEATTLE BY FERRY

The Carl Stark family spent two days last week at Seattle looking over the city. Their motor trip took them first to Bremerton, then to Seattle by ferryboat.

METHODIST CAMP VISIT

An outing at Camp McGruder, the Methodist church camp, was enjoyed Sunday, July 9, by the L. S. Uppinghouse family.

TRIP INTO CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Stevens and children have returned from a motor trip via Spokane, Wn., Butte, Mont., and St. Marie to Huntsville, Ontario, Canada where they were the guests of her mother and sister.

Accompanying them as far as Ottawa, Ontario was Mrs. N. T. Stevens who visited friends in Ottawa.

Returning home with them was Mrs. James Whiteside, mother of Mrs. S. W. Stevens, who will be their house guest during July.

TRI-FEATURE OCCASION

A family dinner party July 9 at the James Walters home honored the birthdays of James Walters, Fred Boss and Mrs. K. O. Sundberg.

BUDDIES OF WORLD WAR

Guests of the M. L. Sunderlands over the Fourth of July weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trumbull of Seattle.

The two men were buddies in World War II.

HOLIDAY OUT OF TOWN

Among those spending Independence Day and the previous week end out of town were several families from this area.

The Frank R. Young family made their headquarters at their beach home at Arch Cape.

Long Beach, Wn., offered a vacation site for Mr. and Mrs. Hubert May and children. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Snider and boys and Mr. and Mrs. James Walters.

The families of Claude Cover, F. W. Merowether, L. S. Uppinghouse and A. R. Pearson were among campers at Lost Lake.

REPORT ON WEATHER

Mr. and Mrs. Al Greathouse and sons spent last Friday at Seaside where they reported excellent weather.

TO BRITISH COLUMBIA

Mr. and Mrs. Al N. French and daughters, June, Janet and Ann have returned from a vacation spent at Vancouver, B. C., and Vancouver Island.

On their return trip they stopped at Port Angeles and covered the Hooda Canal area.

FUNERAL IN SEATTLE

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams spent July 2 and 3 at Seattle in attendance at funeral services for Mr. Williams' sister, Mrs. Frank Greene.

BIRTHDAY CLUB PARTY

July birthdays honored at the birthday club party July 8 at the W. Lee Hempy home included those of John Meussig and James Walters.

GUEST OF VANCOUVER, B. C.

A guest at the N. T. Stevens home is Mrs. Stevens' sister, Miss Helen Bilton of Vancouver, B. C.

Visiting Tourist Crop Highlights Need For Safety

With the influx of thousands of out-of-state tourists, extra caution on the part of Oregon drivers will be required during the vacation-heavy months this year, according to the Traffic Safety Division of the Secretary of State's office.

Officials estimate that more tourists than last year, when 777,450 traveled Oregon highways, will visit the state. The large number

of vacationists, unacquainted with state highway markings, regulations and driving conditions, could cause many accidents unless Oregon drivers take extra precautions, the Division said.

Officials pointed out that the accident toll can be kept at a minimum only if Oregon motorists exercise additional caution and courtesy on the highways.

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