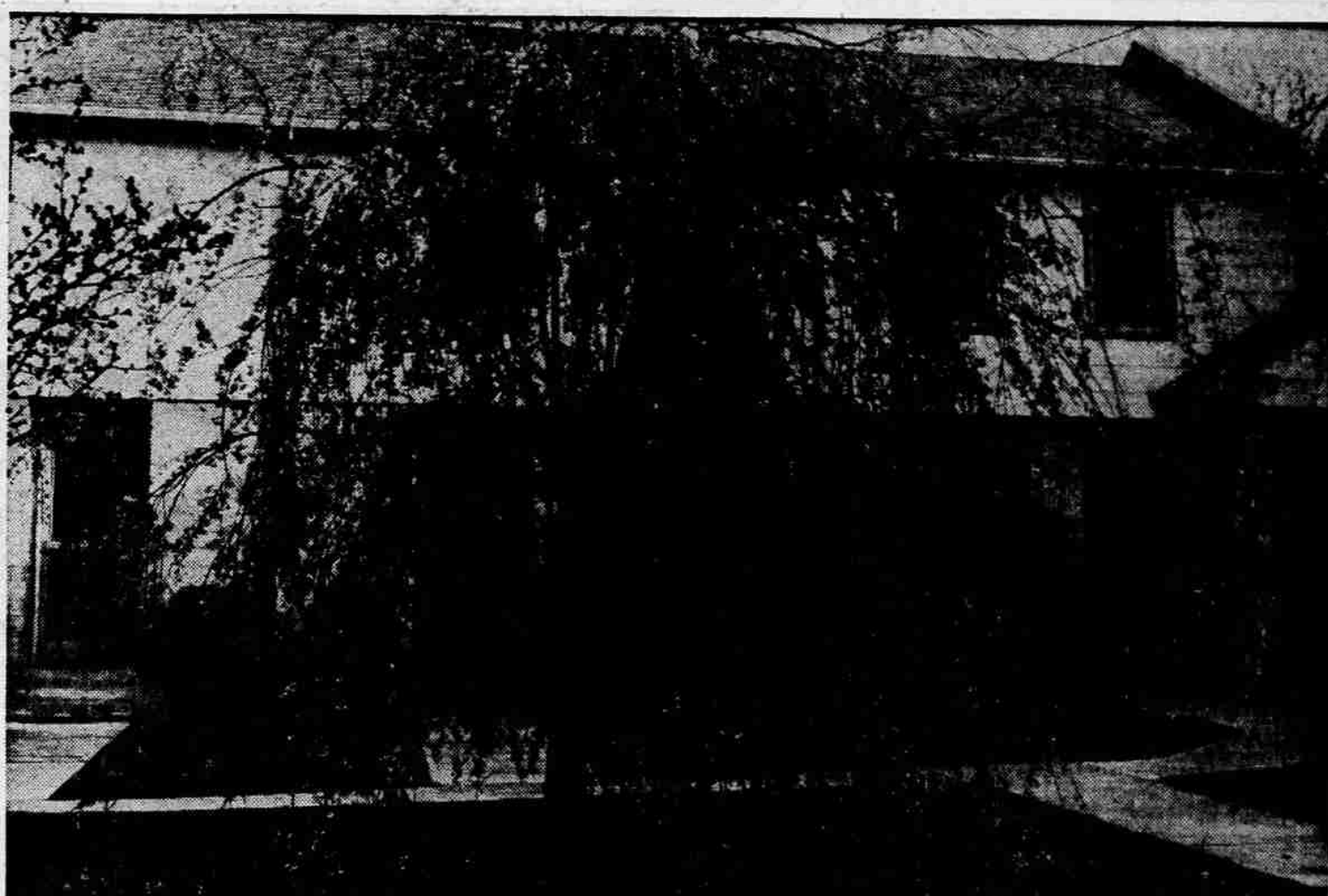




This typical view of a pear orchard in full bloom is a photograph of the Perrydale orchard located along the highway between Medford and Jacksonville. Motorists may see similar scenes this weekend by driving on the Old Stage road, Foothills road, Cherry lane or along scores of other roads or lanes in the vicinity of Medford. Adding interest to this particular orchard scene are the scattered low-hanging clouds and the foothills to the north.



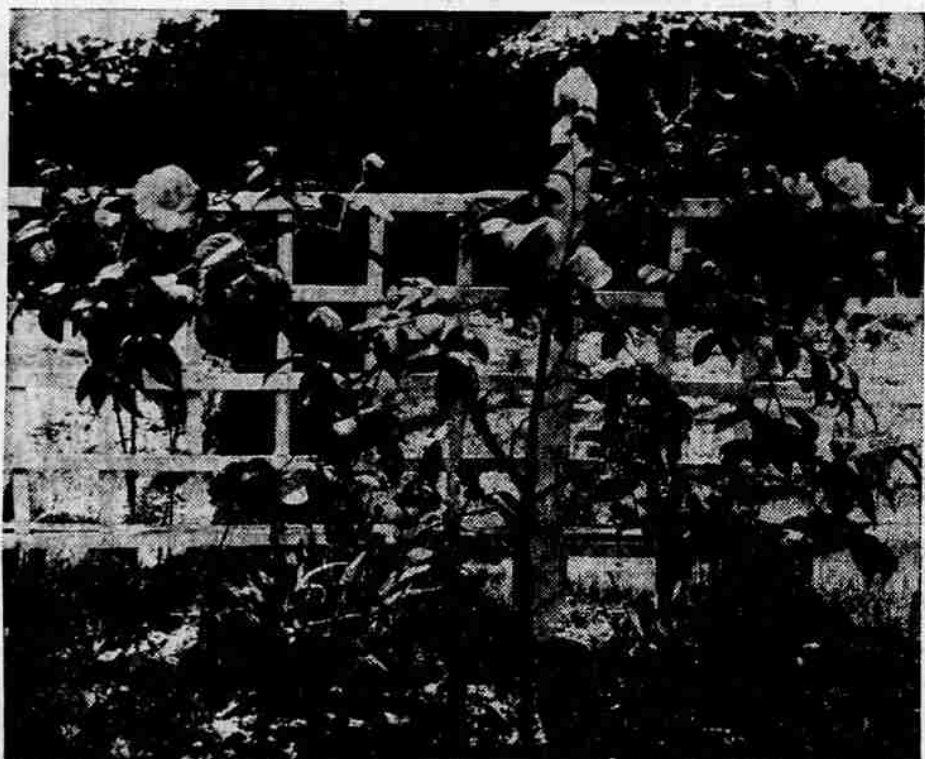
This large weeping cherry tree in the north court of the Evelyn apartments on North Ivy street has been a source of great pleasure to many Medford residents the past few weeks. Loaded with thousands of fluffy blossoms, the tree was literally a cloud of pink and presented a spectacular sight for everyone who drove or walked by the court.

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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Women's Activities



Camellias are a favorite flowering shrub with many Medford gardeners, and this specimen of a grandiflora rosea grows in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Eden, 211 Genessee street. Just coming into bloom at the time the photograph was made, it is now loaded with large flowers of a deep rose pink.



Forsythia is one of the most popular of all the spring flowering shrubs in Jackson county, and hundreds of the graceful bushes heavy with bright yellow blossoms provide color for the landscape. This beautiful specimen is in the small garden of the old-fashioned Brophy home at the northwest corner of North Grape and Fourth streets.



This beautiful arrangement of lavender lamb tongue with a few blue "grass widows" was made by Mrs. Tom Ginn, 29 Kenwood avenue. Mrs. Ginn, known to many for her artistry with flowers, arranged the wild flowers in a bed of native moss and added three bits of driftwood for accent. The bowl is Arkayo pottery in a greyish-lavender which the potter calls lava pink.

By OLIVE STARCHER

April is the month when Jackson county orchards, gardens and wild flower spots burst into bloom.

In almost every garden, no matter how small, the yellow daffodils flaunt their gay yellow and white blossoms and violets, primroses and tulips provide colorful borders and beds. One of the most beautiful sights of spring are the flowering fruit and nut trees—the peach, cherry and almond trees with their pink and mauve blossoms to be found in many gardens and home orchards.

The big pear orchards of the valley are a double delight when in

April Flowers

bloom for they not only provide beauty for the eye but bring promise of the crops to come which are so important to the economy of the county.

Planned to coincide with the orchard bloom is the annual Pear Blossom festival, held yesterday in Medford. Marilyn Denning, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Denning, Camp White, was blossom queen.

At this time of spring many flower lovers seek out their favorite slopes and sheltered spots in the hills and woods where beds of wild flowers are to be found. Already in bloom are the erythronium, or lamb's tongue, the trillium, also known as wake robin, and the shooting star, which is in the primrose family.

While the lavender colored lamb tongue is the commonest in Jackson county, this dainty little flower is also found in white and varying shades of cream and yellow. Mrs. L. G. Gentner, Medford garden, grows 14 varieties. The erythronium is also called dog tooth violet, chamise lily or fawn lily. (Brainerd photos).



The daffodil, a favorite of flower lovers everywhere, is one of the symbols of spring in the Rogue valley. Easy to grow, it rewards the gardener with a lavish display of bright yellow blooms, even when the spring weather is somewhat cold. This bed of yellow daffodils is also in the garden at the old Brophy home, growing near the forsythia bush pictured above. The bed is edged with tulips, not in bloom when the photograph was made.



Spring parties in Medford are always brightened with quantities of flowers, and the annual Easter Monday luncheon of St. Anne's Altar society was no exception. Pictured here is one of the three buffet tables which were centered with yellow daffodils, white stock and flowering peach in an unusual shade of cerise-pink. Mrs. David Lowry was table flower chairman, and the arrangements were made by Mrs. Clark Thomas, who found candles to match the peach blossoms.