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Over the GARDEN DATE

SHASTA VALLEY GARDEN CLUB
By Betty Dow

The care and treatment of gladioli bulbs, before and after planting, to assure beautiful, large blooms, was the topic chosen by Mrs. Ernest Lilly of Montague, when she spoke before members and guests at the Shasta Valley Garden Club meeting at the home of Mrs. Hugh French on Friday afternoon, August 1.

The meeting was held in the beautiful shaded garden of Mrs. French, and prior to Mrs. Lilly's talk, a brief business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. Henrietta Terwilliger.

Mrs. Terwilliger announced her committee chairmen as follows: Mrs. Agnes Swigart, hospitality; Mrs. Karen Swigart, programs; Mrs. Betty Dow, publicity; Mrs. Ellen Walters, business; Mrs. Mary Lilly, garden therapy and Mrs. Grace Leavers, wild flowers.

The group also discussed plans for future programs, some of which will include discussions and talks on grafting, study of birds, ideas for Christmas floral arrangements, and general floral arrangements. It was also decided to have a question box for members, and Mrs. Jessie Terwilliger was named to be in charge of it.

Instead of holding a regular meeting in September the group decided to hold a garden tour, setting the date for September 5. Among the gardens the club plans to visit will be those of Mrs. Hilda Cooley, Mrs. Lilly, Mrs. Mary Ann Mitchell and Mrs. Margaret Davis. The group will meet at 9:30 a.m. and carry sack lunches.

The October meeting is scheduled to take place at the home of Mrs. Jessie Terwilliger with Betty Dow to share hostess duties.

Mrs. Lilly stated that although gladioli culture required considerable work and time, the results were well worth the effort expended.

She stated that her first step in preparation for planting was to soak the gladioli bulbs, which have been placed in a loose-woven bag, in a solution of three tablespoons of lysol in a gallon of water, for at least three hours. She said, however, that if left a little longer it would not harm them. Purpose of the soaking is to kill any bugs, insects or diseases that may be on them. After allowing the bulbs to drain, they should be planted immediately.

Since Mrs. Lilly has approximately one half acre to plant garden in, her procedure for planting is by having her husband, Ernest (she said the real secret of success was to have a husband to help you) plow rows at least six inches deep. She then places her bulbs in staggered rows, about six inches apart, each row 36 inches apart. Mrs. Lilly then sprinkles or floods, the ground. Later as the bulbs begin to sprout, and tall enough to permit "hilling" them, she then uses sheep manure mixed with old straw or sawdust, on the hills, carefully avoiding getting any on the plants themselves. This assures keeping the ground moistened. She also stressed that it was important to keep the ground loose at all times, watering often as gladioli require considerable water.

When the flowering season is over, Mrs. Lilly then explained that it was best to leave the bulbs in the ground as long as possible before freezing weather set in. Her method of caring for the bulbs is leaving the tops on until thoroughly dry. When she is ready to store

them, she removes the tops, dusts the bulbs either with a powder containing five per cent DDT or a special formulated dusting powder for gladioli, and stores them in boxes or bags in a very dry place. It is important that they be kept very dry.

Mrs. Lilly has won many prizes at garden shows and fairs with her exceptionally fine varieties of flowers, but she is particularly fond of gladioli, and proud of her collection of some 100 varieties, of which she averages about 2,000 plants a year. She had on display, during her talk, 25 of some of her choicer varieties.

Mrs. Lilly plans her planting season in order that she will have plenty of blooms to enter in the Siskiyou County Fair each year.

The meeting was concluded with the serving of refreshments by Mrs. French, assisted by Mrs. Alta Cooney. In addition to the previously mentioned those present were Mrs. Hazel Selby, Mrs. Tom Toulouse, Mrs. Helen Robinson, Mrs. Pearl Conroy, Mrs. Ada Johnson, Mrs. Helen Simmons, Mrs. Orpha Kouts, Mrs. Rita Prather, and Mrs. Mary Lemos.

MALIN GARDEN CLUB

By Virginia Blohm

Malin Garden Club held its regular July meeting at the home of Mrs. Merle Loosley with the president, Mrs. Robert Byrne presiding.

It was announced that the District Garden Club Rummage Sale will be held September 12 and 13. Those from Malin who will help are Mrs. Cecil Jackson, Mrs. Hubert Morelock and Mrs. Loosley. Malin members are to turn their rummage into Mrs. Jackson. Other ideas for things to include are plants, jams and jellies.

Those who will do the clerking for the judges at the flower show on Friday, August 15, are Mrs. Ben Johnson, Mrs. Rudolph Jelinck, Mrs. Loyal Loveness and Mrs. Karl Kujac.

The August meeting will be a trip to the experiment station and a special garden nursery in Klamath Falls followed by a picnic lunch. Members are to meet on August 27 at 10 a.m. at the community hall.

Mrs. Byrne reminded all Malin Garden Club members to bring arrangement and horticulture entries to the flower show. Refreshments were served to the 19 members present by Mrs. Loosley and Mrs. Morelock.

INAUGURATED

LISBON (AP) — Rear Adm. Americo Deus Rodrigues Thomaz was inaugurated Saturday for a seven-year term as president of the Portuguese Republic. He was elected June 8 as Premier Antonio Salazar's candidate against Gen. Humberto Delgado, the first man to contest Salazar's tight grip on the presidency.

NEUTRALS

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Fair Parade Date Reported

YREKA — The annual Siskiyou County Fair parade will be held at noon on Friday, August 15, with Miss Siskiyou and her court of queens escorted by bands, marching groups, Shelland ponies with carts, logging trucks, horses and bicycles.

Elks Lodge No. 1980 and the local chamber of commerce are in charge. Co-chairmen Bert Franklin, Jerry Morrison, Albert Newton and Jerry Conrad are taking entries for the parade. No entry blanks are required and entrants are asked to get in touch with any of the committee or the chamber office in the city hall.

Riding groups from Montague, Gazelle, Scott Valley and Yreka are expected to participate and the Oregon Cavemen have been invited.

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4-H NEWS

4-H GARDEN TOUR
By Lillian Hoffman

The annual 4-H vegetable and flower garden tour will be held in Klamath County Monday and Tuesday, August 11 and 12. County extension agents and qualified garden judges will view all 4-H gardens in the county. The best vegetable and flower garden will be announced at the Klamath Junior Fall Fair on Tuesday, August 19, following the barbecue, when two 4-H members will be crowned vegetable and flower king or queen.

About 40 gardens will be visited, representing five 4-H clubs and some individual members. Communities slated for the tour on Monday are Langell Valley, Merrill, Henley, and Klamath Falls. Sprague River and Bly are scheduled for Tuesday.

Judges for the gardens will consider the selection of flowers and vegetables grown, growth of plants, neatness and state of cultivation, freedom from insect injury, disease and rodents, use of water, neatness and completeness of record book, member's knowledge of gardening and project achievement.

Vegetable and flower exhibits will be on display at the annual Klamath County Junior Fall Fair, August 17 and 18. The committee of 4-H leaders arranging exhibit and contests in gardening are as follows: Mrs. Irene Hill, Mrs. Virginia Pope, co-chairmen who will receive exhibits August 18 and 19 from 9 a.m. to noon; Mrs. Ted Hyde, flower arrangement contest, will receive until 1 p.m. August 18; Gene Merrill and Edgar Hoffman, vegetable judging contest, exhibits received until 2 p.m. August 18; Mrs. Gene Merrill and Mrs. Wes Dearborn, flower judging contest, until 3 p.m. August 18.

Four-H leaders and members may check the 1958 fall fair premium list for details of all exhibits and contests. Exhibits can be viewed by the public following judging August 18 in the north end of the livestock pavilion at the Klamath County Fairgrounds. Klamath County has 35 4-H clubs, 350 members and 500 projects.

SEPARATION PACT

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Perle Mesta will make a personal goodwill tour of South America. She is former U.S. minister to Luxembourg. She told reporters she will go to Washington for a briefing by the State Department and then leave for Brazil, first stop on her tour. She said her itinerary will be mapped in Washington.

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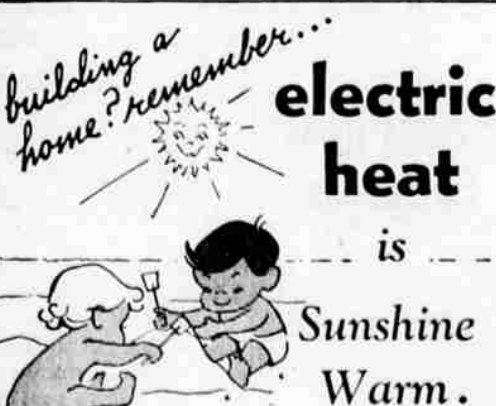
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