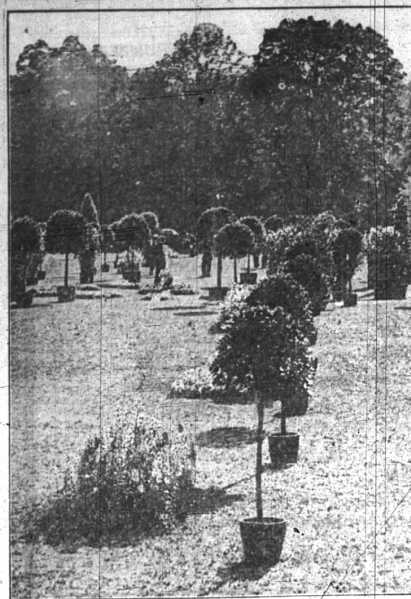


# The HOME BEAUTIFUL

## Flowers and Shrubs

### Their Care and Cultivation



Until Your Trees Are Grown an Effective Placing of Shrubs in Tube Help the Outlook.

## PLANT TREES AND SHRUBS

By ELIZABETH VAN BENTHUYSEN  
Looking over your grounds this spring, note the effect of your planting. If the place lacks trees and shrubs, plan to make up the lack this fall.

Don't forget some ornamental trees and shrubs. Plant them in groups or singly, but always leave open space for grass.

Cut-leaved birch is a favorite tree for planting on the home grounds. It is pyramidal in shape with drooping branches.

The Japanese maples are very beautiful, small trees in bush form with vivid coloring of the cut leaves.

Many shrubs are more beautiful in foliage than in flower, and some of them carry their fruits through the winter in bright colors.

In setting trees or shrubs, make a hole wide enough so that the roots can be spread out, avoiding twisting and crowding as much as possible. Work the soil in about the roots, leaving no spaces, and packing firm.

Avoid planting trees between the house and the street in such a manner as to hide the view from the windows and doors. To obstruct the outlook is very annoying to those confined to the house. Trees and shrubbery should be placed so as to form a background or setting for the dwelling.

Young trees should be carefully watched and the open spaces in the ground about them, which have been by the wind swaying the trees, should be well firmed down.

## TREATMENT AND CULTURE OF HARDY ANNUALS

By LIMA R. ROSE.  
Seeds of hardy annuals should be sown in April or May, according to the latitude, in shallow boxes or pots and placed in a warm window or a heated bed. A second sowing ought to be made from two to four weeks after a succession, as well as to provide against failure the first time.

The most convenient receptacle for seed is a shallow box from two to three inches deep and of any convenient size.

The best soil for all of the smaller kinds is a very fine, rich, sandy loam. The very best soil is that taken from old beds, or more in diameter and planted up in soil and allowed to rot for two or three years and then mixed with sand and a little old stable manure.

Give the tiny plants plenty of air and moisture, yet not too much water, or they will "damp off." Get pots two inches or more in diameter and plant the young seedlings along the edges of the pots, so that as soon as the ground is sown, the seedlings can be easily turned out and planted singly, as by that time they will have good roots.

Do not cover seeds too deeply. This is a common and disastrous mistake. The exception to this rule is sweet pea, which is seldom planted deep enough. A good, general rule is to cover seeds to the depth of the thickness of the seeds. With medium-sized seeds like sinensis and balsam and their kind half an inch or so is none too much.

Tiny seeds like the portulacas need only to be pressed into the soil with the palm of the hand. Always firm the earth around flower seeds, else there is danger of their drying before roots can get firm hold on the soil.

During heavy dry weather, and when seedlings are first set out, water frequently.

A Perverse Plea.  
"So the judge said this 'modest' boy."

"Yes, he told the court that he had never mouthed to feed at home."

"And worked on the court's sympathy."

"That's right. But the judge didn't know that he referred to himself and six pig-eyed hounds."

# FRENCH ARRIVE FOR WAR CONFERENCE

JOFFRE, FORMER COMMANDER OF ARMIES A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION.

## ASK THAT TROOPS BE SENT

Call for Fighting Force Supported by Strong Aviation Service and Transportation Lines.

Washington—France's war commissioners arrived at the capital Wednesday.

The mission, of which Rene Viviani, vice-premier and minister of justice, is the official head, and Marshal Joffre a member, brings no written instructions from the French government, the ministry having decided to give its members unlimited powers to negotiate with the United States on all subjects, military, naval and financial.

Marshal Joffre expressed the hope that America would send an expeditionary force to France.

The French idea of an American expedition corps for a fighting force supported by auxiliary services, such as railway staffs, railway material, base repair shops, telegraph and telephone lines, automobile transport and a strong aviation section.

The French government is ready to offer whatever may be considered necessary to assist in sea operations, including the use of naval purposes of any or all ports in France.

The ministry of marine has worked for submission to the American government a comprehensive plan for overseas transports, for both army and navy purposes and for provisioning of the civil population.

Financially, France needs loans of \$100,000,000 monthly to be spent in the United States.

## FOOD COST PROBE ASKED

High Prices Not Caused By Crop Failure or Increased Demand.

Washington—Neither bad crops nor increased demand, due to the war, are sufficient to explain the high prices of food products in the United States, Secretary David F. Houston told members of the senate committee on agriculture at the opening of its food hearing.

Secretary Houston appeared before the committee to outline his legislative program for increasing the supply, conservation and marketing of food. His first request was that he be authorized to make thorough investigation of the causes of the high prices, including a complete census of all food in the country, to determine whether there is a shortage and for what purpose it is held.

The secretary asked also that power be reposed in the government to seize food products if necessary and to fix maximum prices to be charged the consumer, and minimum prices that must be paid the producer. He indicated, however, that there is no intention to engage in general price fixing.

"I don't think congress should attempt to fix prices," he said. "If prices are fixed at all they must be subjected to constant changes, for each commodity unit absolutely necessary, and I feel sure that action with respect to a very few staple articles would be sufficient to bring hoarded supplies to the market. Attempts have been made to fix prices on a large scale abroad, and my impression is that the effort has broken down. I believe the very fact that the government has full knowledge as to where food products are located and the power to seize them or fix the prices will be sufficient to prevent monopoly of foodstuffs."

Mr. Houston made it very plain that farmers have nothing to fear in the way of government action which will depress prices to a level such as would make crop production unprofitable.

## MAKES THREATS, JAILED

Remarks About President Cause Sentence of Year and Day.

Indianapolis—Christiao C. Lucke, said to be a German sympathizer, pleaded guilty to having made threats against President Wilson when arraigned in the United States district court here.

He was sentenced to one year and one day in the federal prison at Atlanta.

A threat was made some time ago as he was walking along a street here. It was overheard by a mail carrier, and Lucke's arrest followed in a few days.

Cadillac—One thousand school boys in Westford county are to plant as many acres of trees as they can. Bankers have decided to accept the lady's notes to furnish seed. Each boy signed a pledge to raise an acre of produce.

Pontiac—Four of Pontiac's high school athletes—Osborne, Miles, Boardman and McCallum—all members of the baseball team, have announced they will leave school and work a farm belonging to Sept. G. L. Jenner, near Romeo.

Rockester—Lockup resulting from the wound caused by a rusty nail on which she stepped several days ago, caused the death of Mrs. Alma Goth of this village.

Houghton—Following the lead of the Michigan Agricultural college, the college of mines made military training compulsory at the college. The students will be required to drill one hour a day. The action following a petition by the student body asking that a competent drill master be appointed at the college.

Help! Help!  
Giggles—My son says he And his very absorbing.  
Sister—That's what he does.  
Giggles—Makes blotting paper.  
Puck.

# What Well Dressed Women Will Wear

Just as we conclude that there is nothing new that can possibly happen to summer blouses, along comes an attractive surprise and we are forced to concede that further beautiful novelty has made its appearance. There are inexhaustible reservoirs of ideas, it seems, that designers know how to draw upon to provide us with that variety which is the spice of life and blouses.

Here is a new, midsummer model, made of fine cotton voile, embellished



UTMOST REFINEMENT IN SUMMER BLOUSE.

with French tucks. It is cut after the usual manner of blouses, its seams are hemstitched, sleeves plain and poosy and, so far, all the details of its construction are all like tried old friends with whom we have long been familiar. But just at this point the creator of this blouse thought of adding an elegant collar and cuffs made of a fine organdy which is a new and charming touch in a new way. Furthermore, the dainty embroidered edge of the organdy is lifted into prominence by a narrow border of black velvet.

The collar is high at the back and rolls at the front, the very texture of the material making this pretty adjustment to the neck possible. The cuffs are simply lengths of the embroidered organdy, turned back and fastened at the top with a single pearl button. The means by which its maker arrived at such good ends in this blouse are the simplest. But the touch of sheer black in collar and cuffs is original and fine

up the loveliest of midsummer millinery. There never was a summer when bridesmaids could be more enchantingly dressed.

In the group of hats shown in the picture one of hair braid, is a fancy hair, picturesque type that never fails to captivate everyone. It is of the latest and most beautiful kind, bound with satin and with ties of amethyst colored velvet ribbon and a wreath of pink roses against the under brim at the side and back. Would be pretty in any of the light colors.

A hat with broad crown and double flounce of plaited crepe is very new and an ideal for the bridesmaids' wear. It has two bands of amethyst ribbon about the crown, tied in a bow at the front where a cluster of small flowers is pinned. Imagine it in any color that you may choose for a wedding—it is sure to be pretty.

The lovely hat of amethyst crepe with a fall of scalloped crepe about



ENCHANTING BRIDAL MILLINERY.

and the whole effect is one of utmost refinement.

Among other new models are noted several with collars shaped and put on in the same way as that shown in the picture. Often they are flat lace and sheer embroidery combined and sometimes of two halves. They are usually smaller. The high roll at the back and the partially closed but cool looking throat opening is a piece of fine management.

Already June weddings are engaging the attention of those who must think of the details of several bridal pageants, for there are changing fashions to be considered. Every bride cherishes the hope that her wedding procession may be impressive and beautiful and present one or two new elements of interest at least. And there are experts who recognize her wish and see to it that it may be

more quickly than the passing years. Whenever you are home alone, put long narrow strips of court plaster just above the center of the eyebrows, half way to the hair line. Every time you raise your brows this will be a silent reminder, and soon you will learn to know when you are about to frown, and you now use unconsciously. Wear the plaster whenever you can until broken of the habit.

Preventing Wrinkles.  
Light should fall over your left shoulder when you are reading, writing or sewing. If out in the sun, the face is snowed on the ground it is best to wear slightly smoked glasses to soften the glare. They will be very useful to the eyes, will not attract unpleasant attention in the country, and will prevent chronic wrinkles. When the eyes are very tired, bathe them with hot water and benzoin.

The habit of raising the brows continually will tend to produce wrinkles

Russia has several woman making

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