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Late we are sleeping deep in the mold, clapping and keeping yesterday's gold. Hearings of sunshine, Crimon and gold; Dreaming of light fill our dreams became.

Atriate bells and beakers of flame,
Splashed with the splendor of wine and flame.
Raindrop awake us;
Zephyr spoke us;
Chick-a-dee called us;
Bobolink called us—
Then we came.

—ARTHUR GUTHERMAN
in "The Melody of Earth."

Now that the planting season has reached that stage of comparative desuetude, it's time to talk of many things, as does Mr. J. H. Wallace, secretary of the Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society in a pleasant letter.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
John R. Howard, local insurance and real estate dealer.

"The talk at the Rotary club Monday noon by Rev. Peter Sondak, an American and the Near East, was the best I ever heard upon that subject. Rev. Sondak gave us volumes of splendid information in less than an hour."

"If Easter is late, so will spring be," another. "The last two days of the month rule the next month," and "if the first Friday be wet, the other Fridays will also be wet in that month."

Some believe that seasons alternate. For instance, last summer was dry and, therefore, this summer we will have more rain. Last June in penny time we had a lot of hot, dry weather, so that the days of the penny lasted for but a day or two. This year we should have a long, blooming season. A year ago the early tulips lasted for weeks. This year they faded under the extreme heat of a few days. It was easy to make lay last year, but those who have it to do this year will have to be on the alert, according to all this reasoning.

The moon, too, has a lot to do with gardening. At least so our forefathers believed, and a lot of folk plant according to the moon. And those who can say they don't, don't know their vegetables.

Well, that's plenty, perhaps more than plenty about the weather, so let's talk of the flower show to be held in the Booth Pavilion, June 21.

The people of Birmingham seem to be little interested in flower shows. The members in the Baldwin High School have been poorly attended and the Horticultural Society had decided against having a June show this year, but as the Ladies of Christ Church Cranbrook, were interested and invited the society to hold one in co-operation with their spring bazaar, the society voted to try the spring show again.

No one would say that a flower show isn't worth while, but the gardeners and their employers feel that if the public does not appreciate their efforts to at least attend, then what's the use? So, after all, it's up to the public to decide.

The Ladies of Christ Church Cranbrook are planning a very interesting bazaar. It will be held in a beautiful spot. The admission will be 25 cents. The flower show, we hope, will be well worth seeing and by your attendance and appreciation you will encourage those who have done the work to greater efforts next year. You are invited! Don't forget the date: Saturday afternoon and evening, June 21 and 22, at the Recreation room on the Col. Edwin S. George Estate.

J. H. WALLACE,
Secretary.

FORMER VILLAGER EXTOLS STATE AS CENTER OF BOAT INDUSTRY

East Lansing, Mich., June 19.—That Michigan-made automobiles are found the world over is a fact so well known it is scarcely worth mentioning, but not everyone, even in Michigan, realizes that motor boats made in this state are likewise to be found wherever there is water to float them. The industry is described by Chester Dorman Kelly, of Birmingham, Mich., in an article entitled "Boat Builders for the World," in the June issue of the Magazine of Michigan.

"The world is full of them," says the article. "On Lake Geneva, in Switzerland, there are many craft on the hulls of which are the telltale marks of their origin in Detroit, or Algonac, or Muskegon, or any one of a dozen Michigan cities. They are to be found racing the length and breadth of the Bay of Naples—runabouts, speed craft, cabin cruisers, commuting yachts and skiffs with outboard motors. Even though Italian products are preferred by order of Mussolini, the boats from Michigan are acknowledged to be superior and one is owned by II Duce himself. At Nice, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Bombay, Capetown, Rio de Janeiro, Havana, and every other place where there is water splashes the banks of town or village, will be found a boat or

boats on the hulls of which are the Michigan builders' marks.

"In America, too, Michigan-made boats abound. At Nantucket, Newport, Kennebunkport, Provincetown, Miami, Tampa, Los Angeles, Hollywood and on every inland lake and stream of any depth, they are to be seen, thousands of them, varicolored, filled with pleasure seekers, or perhaps occupied by business men on the way from their offices to their summer homes."

One of the recent purchasers of a Michigan-made boat, according to the article, was the King of Siam.

"The boat manufacturers believe that the use of their products is still in its beginning stages, and that in the future, as people have added time for recreation, they will spend much of it on the water during the summer months," the writer says.

Mr. Kelly is a former resident of the village of Birmingham and was graduated from the Baldwin High School, where he was editor of the Baldwin Beacon. Mr. Kelly's brother, Irwin W. Kelly, lives at 1240 Buckingham road.

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Mr. Wallace presents us with bouquets other than floral. And he advises every lover of flowers to attend the forthcoming flower show to be held in connection with the annual bazaar of the Ladies of Christ Church Cranbrook. His letter, in part, follows:

This column has been so interesting and full of information that I was surprised when the editor asked me when I was going to send in a nice long article. How I wish I could do just that, but it seems that what I know of gardening, every one knows, so what's the use of writing about it!

I know a lot of people appreciate this column and I believe the editor would be glad if its readers would ask for any information that they need and if you stick him, the Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society has promised to help in any way they can.

Just now, all who garden are most concerned with the weather. Will it be good growing weather, etc.? The weather in itself is worth studying if you would have success with your garden. So many of us feel the urge to set out tomato plants just before a frost or plant lima beans too early. They must be re-planted because a few cold wet days generally rot the seed. One isn't very much interested in planting the heat-loving vegetables too early, although a sandy, sheltered spot can be planted earlier than one most exposed.

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FROM TREE TO GREEN

By ROY GROVE

There seems to be considerable confusion wherever the straight left arm and the wrists are mentioned in the same breath.

The average golfer in working on the straight left arm theory will at the same time swing the wrists of both hands, and develop discouraging results.

The illustrations serve to demonstrate the difference in this action and exactly what is meant by straight left arm wrist action in the mashie shot.

Do not, under any circumstances, use a stiff left arm. Break the wrists first in taking back the club, then come on back with the left arm, as shown in the larger illustration.

The club should be practically parallel with the ground before starting into the backswing. Fracks the wrist motion. Do it in hitting the ball and you will notice the difference immediately.

Frank Stewart, former American professional champion, depended upon this stroke for the great and accurate part of his game. He was a master of the long mashie and he had a left arm in the shot that looked out of proportion to his swing. So incident was he in keeping this arm straight with whipping wrists at the end of the club that he looked awkward.

Do not tighten up on the grip of the club. Hit very lightly to relieve any tension retarding wrist action.

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