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PLAN your garden on paper before you begin actual planting. It will save you time and temper, and many mistakes will be avoided.

Buy a dozen tomato plants, a dozen cabbage plants, several rows of lettuce, beans, carrots, peas and radishes—and onions, tender green young onions.—and you'll have as fine a young garden as any small family could want for summer use.

Radishes, lettuce and peas have a short season of production, so they should be grouped together in the small garden, the space can then be used later for another crop.

If you want rhubarb and asparagus, they should be planted in a part of the garden, to remain undisturbed from year to year. They are "perennials," and require less attention than the "annuals" which must be sown each year.

Fairly rich soil is required to grow vegetables with good results. First of all, the soil must be well drained, as few plants can grow with "wet feet."

Turn the soil as deeply as possible, and work in plenty of humus and plain food to good grade of complete commercial "plant food"—four pounds to every 100 square feet of garden. Apply after spading, but before fertilizing.

Onions, spinach and kale can be planted as soon as the ground can be worked.

Carrots, beets and lettuce can withstand light frosts also, though they should not be planted until danger of the last killing frost has passed.

Beans, tomato plants, sweet corn, pumpkin and peppers, should not be planted until the nights are in the teens.

Remember this—successful plantings may be made every two weeks, of radishes, lettuce, carrots, spinach, peas and beans. One crop, then, is no sooner sown than another crop is ready for use.

Early in the fall, second sow-

Garden Notes

ings of cabbage and tomatoes can be made, so the plants will ripen before frost.

Young plants should be thinned out, leaving the strongest to grow to full size.

In cultivation, a mere scraping of the ground to kill weeds and growths is all that is necessary for sweet corn, cabbage and tomatoes, after the plants are well started; deep cultivation may injure the roots.

Every man, woman and child his own vegetable gardener this year! Vacant yards are aching to grow things—things of fresh, young, tender goodness.

Use a fine spray of water on your garden, if the soil is not moist. Otherwise seeds will be washed out of their rows.

Radishes will be first to rear their tiny green faces through the soil. Then beets and lettuce will appear, over a period of three weeks. Carrots, parsnips and parsnips will be slowest in peeping above ground after planting.

Sow all seeds thickly, and thin out as the plants grow. This is the general rule.

Bird houses and baths should be placed in the yard as early as possible, since the birds must become thoroughly accustomed to them before they will use the man-made contrivances.

Japanese barberry, flowering dogwood, euonymus, honeysuckle, flowering crabapple, Nalae-sium, snowberry, coral berry, American elder and the viburnums are included in the list; all have ornamental qualities in foliage, shape and color of their fruit.

In early April the more tender annuals and vegetables can be entrusted to a cold frame to start their growth a month in advance of the outdoor season. Merely a wooden box, open top and bottom, with a glass pane on top—the old-fashioned frame can work a lot of garden magic. Make the box so that when the glass pane is set over the top, it plants to shed the rain and to catch all possible sunlight. Straw mats are valuable to give additional protection at night to the young plants. A blanket or old quilt will serve the same purpose, in case of an unusually cold snap.

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Italian green sprouting broccoli is easily grown in the home garden, requiring only the same treatment as cabbage. There is no necessity for tying up the leaves as with cauliflower. The stalk bears a main head, and when cut it develops a number of side branches with edible heads. This novelty vegetable has swept the country in popularity. Original broccoli couldn't be distinguished from cauliflower when it came to the table, but the white head was later confined to a Pacific coast growing area. Green broccoli is of an entirely different appearance and flavor.

Good spading, by the way, means thrusting the spade into the soil to a nearly vertical position as possible, to its full blade depth, and then turning over the soil. This kind of spading suffices for all practical purposes in average fertile soil. Spading is more plentiful than plowing, so even though it's hard work—hop to it, with a will!

While your planning garden plans, remember the birds with a few shreds that have proved particularly attractive to them.

By the way, you can't tell good seeds from poor ones by looking at them. So buy only from reliable dealers, or from nationally advertised and known brands.

This is an ideal time to consult your landscape architect or nurseryman in planning your spring landscape work, on how ever a small scale.

Outdoor Living Rooms Idea Grows in Suburban Centers

"Gardening circles in recent years have religiously spread the idea of the Outdoor Living Room," says Ralph I. Coryell.

"Properly speaking, the Outdoor Living Room is a combination of the home itself and the great out-of-doors. During the spring and summer seasons it provides for the family another delightful room for the entertainment of guests and for enjoyment by the family itself.

"The Outdoor Living Room has several fairly definite requirements. First, it must be self-contained with planting of sufficient size and character as to furnish privacy. Secondly, it must be adjacent to the home itself and offer convenient passage to and from the house. Thirdly, it should partake of the beauty of the garden to be properly attractive.

"Increasingly greater use of the Outdoor Living Room as a meeting spot for the family and friends indicates that the popularity has reached it. It is an excellent spot for games, for friendly visits, or for a rest from the busy turmoil of modern life.

"Designs have been produced to accommodate the smallest lot, even as the largest estate. The prime requisite is individually coupled with maximum utility and natural beauty.

are blessed with sufficient ground to work out their plans and the time and energy to get results are found to be a more contented group of people than others who have no such time. In this day and age something of the sort is needed to provide the balance necessary to mankind.

"The Outdoor Living Room has become more than a catchword. It is now becoming firmly established in the habits of our people, and in their modes of living.

Never Despair
Doctor:—An operation would save your life.
Patient:—How much would it cost?
Doctor:—30 pounds.
Patient:—I don't possess so much money.
Doctor:—Then we will see what pills will do.—Hummel.

Population "Goes Suburban"
"The never tiring in home building is exemplified by the recent swing to the suburbs. The fact is easily comprehended by the results of the latest census which showed an increase of 30 per cent in population in Detroit from 1920 to 1930 and an increase of 300 per cent in population of the suburbs immediately surrounding Detroit.

"It is true that the average suburban home will offer a much better opportunity to provide a really adequate Outdoor Living Room, or perhaps several of them, than the urban home. It is also true that the newer home provides less natural obstacles in the proper construction of one.

Methods Vary Greatly.
"The type of Outdoor Living Room to be adopted by a given family will depend largely upon the tastes and desires of the family. A botanist, for example, will try to crowd in as many different kinds of plants as can be collected and planted. The easy-going family head will arrange for all the work to be done by someone else just so he does not need to bother with it. The aggressive, hard working individual will want to pick out every plant, and plant it personally. Those with an eye for color will plant many varieties of perennials to brighten the borders," says Mr. Coryell.

"Some people will want to get their planting in all at once so that it can grow and mature quickly. Others will prefer to work in their gardens, and may wish to plant on a program basis.

Make a Plan on Paper.
"In the development of the Outdoor Living Room it is first of course desirable to plant as early in the season as possible to allow the roots to settle and become firmly established in the soil. Subsequent care is necessary to provide the best results and the cultivation of the plants is more necessary than the watering.

"Those garden enthusiasts who

THEATERS

CASS THEATER
William Hodge comes to the Cass Theater, Detroit, in "The Old Cavalry," for the week beginning Sunday night, Mar. 22. This is said to be a regular laugh epicure. Although the play comes in a little more modern and up-to-date than most of its former dramatic vehicles, it gives every indication of taking the place in the minds of the present generation of the two earlier melodramatic successes "The Man From Home," and "For All of Us," and is winning a large clientele. All of the Hodge plays have had many laughs in them, but "The Old Cavalry" is really self-authored comedy, it is said, keeps the audience laughing seven-eighths of the two and a half hours.

Prominent judges of the two big cities have attended and become enthusiastic boosters. The lawyers also get a great kick out of it, although, the play takes somewhat the greatest boosters of all are the wide-awake young people, who are quick to react to the wit and something they really enjoy.

"Antiquated" actor including Ralph Fuld, Josephine A. Moore, William Vaughn, Evelyn Platt, Hudson Langford, John Martin, Frank Dayton and others.

SHUBERT-LAFAYETTE THEATER
"Bad Girl," the melodrama adapted from Nina Baym's novel of the same name, bids fair to prove the most popular of shows presented at the Lafayette Theater, Detroit, under the long-proven policy in vogue there.

It starts its third week next Sunday night, in a manner indicative of the hold it has exercised on Detroiters. Relating the adventures of a boy and girl who fall in love after a flirtation on a boat excursion, become involved in a compromising situation, marry and start housekeeping on a modest income, "Bad Girl" is a story of present day life and conditions, told boldly, in a highly dramatic manner. Wallace Ford and Marjorie Peterson are the central figures in the drama, with Doris Underwood, Lloyd Nolan, Lorraine Bernard, Robert Charles, Herbert and George Lombardi in their support.

WILSON THEATER
After a week's unprecedented business at the Wilson Theater, Detroit, Thurston, the famous magician, will wrap the second and last week of his engagement with a matinee Sunday, Mar. 22. In addition to the performance Sunday afternoon the engagement will include Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

This is Thurston's twenty-first season at the head of his own show, and he has had no less than the biggest and best of his long career as a mystifier and entertainer. There are new illusions, tricks of sleight of hand and magical effects on the program this season.

DETROIT CIVIC THEATER
Cretia Wilbur's "The Monster," will be presented at the Detroit Civic Theater next week, opening Monday, Mar. 23.

Unlike most plays of horror, the theme of "The Monster" is logical and thrilling, the thrills not depending on stage trick alone.

HILLS GARDEN CLUB BOOTH POPULAR

Birmingham visitors at the Flower Show in the Grand Hotel, Detroit, which opened Tuesday to continue through next Sunday, are making head-quarters at the miniature-greenhouse booth arranged by the Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society, which many have reported is the finest booth arranged by any of the societies cooperating on the show. Inside the miniature greenhouse are various growing, primulas, a small palm, cinerarias, and similar plants.

Gardeners from the William T. Barlow estate (James Gallagher), the D. Briggs estate (Johnnie McGinnis), Col. Edwin S. George estate (James Rogerson), and Cranston estates (Alex Lamond), have exhibits at the show.

Gardeners stretch the length of the armory hall, and thousands of blooms of cyclamen, tulips, roses, daffodils, forget-me-nots, cinerarias, larkspur, sweet peas, and other flowers, merge into a symphony of color which finds its climax in the Temple of Oranges which dominates the show. Two Persian rug weavers, making a rug of citrus fruit, is a novel feature of the California exhibit.

Emphasis on gardens of all kinds is made in the display this year. In addition to rock gardens, green retreats, formal gardens, spring gardens, and every imaginable variety of garden, numerous small units of garden beauty, to suit a variety of purposes and prices, according to show officials.

BALDWIN GRADUATES STAND HIGH AT U. OF M.
The showing made by Birmingham High School graduates during their first semester at the University of Michigan was unusual, and great acclaim was accorded to the principal of Baldwin High School, who last week received a report of the marks obtained by 12 freshmen enrolled. Fifty-one academic marks were distributed as follows: A's, 22; B's, 15; C's, 4; D's and F's, 1.

BARNUM BROTHERS
The Barnum Junior High School honor roll for the first five week period of the second semester, as announced by the principal, is as follows:

Joe Edmunds, William Gall, Victoria Geddesley, Jane Lang, Betty Jane McCormick, Frank Phillips, Jack Reynolds, Bennett Ford, Marjorie Tate, and Wilma Ward.

"The Winthills of Holland" had been elected by Mrs. Edith Roach Coryell for the annual Junior High School contest which will be presented in the school early in April. The stage settings and art work are being done by school students under the direction of faculty advisers.

Moral: Don't Marry
He had gone into the library to put the thing up to her father and she was anxiously waiting on the front porch.

"Well," said the suitor when he returned, "the asked how I was fixed and I told him I had \$3,000 in the bank."

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