

Gardeners' Corner

(This column is conducted for The Eccentric's readers by Mrs. Marc T. Patten, Box 146, Bloomfield Hills. Questions on gardening matters may be addressed to Mrs. Patten and they will be answered in the Gardeners' Corner or directly by mail.)

Compost
When falling leaves bring to mind not the sweet smell of autumn bonfires but a bigger and better compost heap—you are dyed-in-the-wool dirt gardener. The stirring of this spirit is shown in a question asked by a local gardener, "I suppose I should have a compost pile but how shall I make it, where shall I put it and what's it for, anyway?"

Find a hidden spot in your garden and begin a compost heap today. Technically you should use old sods for the outside walls; actually if you spread out the vegetable refuse, leaves and grass cuttings (separately) and then continue piling them up—you have the making of a compost heap. Cabbage leaves here and there are a great help. If the weather is too dry sprinkle from time to time with a fine spray. In the fall, however you will have so many leaves to add at once that the decomposition may stop if you don't help out by adding some chemical. Mr.

McClellan has a decomposer formula which he kindly passes on. To 8 pounds of ammonium sulphate use 4 pounds of lime and 3 pounds of treble superphosphate. It may be purchased already mixed. Sprinkle the decomposer between layers of leaves, and moisten with the hose. To have a good pile turn it over during the summer and again in the fall. Never add diseased or insect-infested matter. Add chemical if you see it is necessary.

And what is it for? When you see the lovely friable mixture that comes from all this trouble you will find so many places to use it. Ours ran out half way around the garden last spring and the stack we contemplate this year involves the leaves from practically all the trees. No one will need to suggest a place to work it into your beds.

It is a good idea, however, no matter how greedy you become, to avoid oak leaves, unless you keep them in a separate pile. They make the soil too acid. If you have an oak tree and space for two piles you can use one as a compost for plants like huckleberries, laurals, dogwoods. They prefer an acid soil.

Dahlia
When the foliage of dahlias is blackened by frost, it is time to dig up the tubers (thick roots). Cut down the stem and carefully uncover the roots—they are easily injured. (Early morning is the best time). Leave them in the sun upside down to dry out a day. Store in a cool dark room which is best to cover the tubers with sand or peat moss to prevent excessive drying.

Water evergreens thoroughly before the frost sets in. As the leaves of shrubs and small trees fall, the time to move them is at hand. Large specimens must wait until the ground is frozen.

Winter Mulch
We are asked when to cover tubers and when to plant them. Wait until the ground is unfrozen and the weather is moderating. This applies to perennials too. The purpose of the cover is to keep the ground from alternating thaw and frost.

Fall Seeding
Another query asks what seeds may be (or rather should be) sown in the fall. It is too late to sow seeds that are expected to germinate before spring. The biennials (like Sweet William and Foxglove) and perennials planted in August should be large enough to plant into the border. However, some rock-garden plants and other hard-to-germinate seeds can be sown now. They must be left open to the weather, especially snow.

Lectures and Meetings
Joint meeting of Bloomfield and Birmingham chapters National Farm and Garden Association at the Community House, Oct. 16, 2 p. m.; speaker, Mrs. Arlin L. Hopkins, national board member.
Lecture on roses by Prof. A. W. Ayres at the Neighborhood Club, 17145 Waterloo, Thursday, Oct. 19, at 8 p. m.
Lecture on plants and their history by H. L. R. Chapman, botanist, Michigan State College, at the McGregor Library, Highland Park, Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 8 p. m.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, At a session held at said Court, in and for said County, on the 5th day of October, A. D. 1939.

In case of the Estate of Robert A. Chubb, deceased. Trustee of said estate, Charles E. Bled in said Court his annual account and petition praying for the appointment of a new trustee and for the examination of the trustee's account, and for the reduction of bonds by said trustee.

It is Ordered, that the 8th day of November, 1939, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

Further Orders, that public notice thereof be given by publication of this account and petition, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Business Newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.
FLORENCE DOTY, Probate Register. Rec. 28-29-36.

Jr. C. of C. Shown Slides at YMCA Camp at Lyon Lake

Robert D. Lynd, secretary of the Birmingham Y. M. C. A., was the guest speaker at the Monday evening meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce which was held at the Community House.

Mr. Lynd spoke of the work and the progress of the Oakland County Y camp at Lyon Lake. The talk was accompanied by pictures of the camp taken during a canoe trip on the AuSable River. The pictures were shown by Eugene Hubbard, Baldwin High School instructor.

Dr. Edwin W. Deer has been appointed chairman of the dance which is to be given Wednesday evening, Nov. 23 at the Community House. He is being assisted

by Robert W. Hatch and Robert L. Clark.

Charles F. Lawler has been appointed to handle the program arrangements for the monthly dinner meeting which will be held on Monday evening, Oct. 23, at the Community House.

Cambridge Tax Roll Set By Assessor

The City Commission Monday night received from Assessor Elmer W. Haack the assessment roll for the Cambridge road improvement. It totals \$675 and lists assessments as small as 33 cents and as large as \$49.72. Any complaints on assessments will be heard Oct. 23. After the street is improved, the City will maintain it.



B-3 left Camp George last Sunday after a busy week-end there and left it in very, very good condition. Starting now, all troops attending Camp George will be marked on the condition in which it is left, and results will be published in this column. B-3 rates a mark of A, but it'll be that unless the other troops hump themselves, most of them won't even rate a C. (Sheldon Wright does

the marking, and is he hard to please!)

A series of Scout Leader training courses of eight weeks' duration (one evening a week) to be conducted by the Detroit Area Council will begin in various parts of Detroit and adjoining communities the week of Oct. 23. At least five such courses have been scheduled as follows: Hamilton School, Chandler Park District, commencing Tuesday, Oct. 24; Highland Park High School, Wednesday, Oct. 25; Holcomb School, Redford District, Thursday, Oct. 26.

Troop B-8 is re-vamping the upper brackets of the troop, and is also trying out an entirely new system of leadership. Five new Junior Assistant Scoutmasters have been appointed, each of which will take a single patrol under his leadership and will then

act as combination adviser, father confessor, and slave driver to the Scouts under his wing. More advancement is anticipated under this system, as well as faster progress on the various projects which B-8 is beginning this season.

B-5 is also to wash apples for the community party this Halloween. Twelve bushels is the amount that they will start on, but how many will eventually get to the Halloweeners is anybody's guess. Through results would be better if the boys were gagged. Can't you just imagine 30-odd boys turned loose on a dozen bushels of apples?—Jack Dunn.

Civilization's (?) Index
You can tell when you've taken the wrong turn and got off the highway. The scenery doesn't urge you to buy anything.—Portland Express.

Passengers Quit Bus As Smoke Fills It

Passengers in a south bound Eastern Michigan bus were forced to abandon their coach Saturday afternoon when overheated brakes caused the vehicle to fill with smoke. On the way to the garage, the brakes caught fire and required the services of the Birmingham Fire Department, but no damage resulted. The passengers were transferred to another bus.

Safe Start
The papers are filled with death notices of young men who dive head-first into strange waters and find bottom unexpectedly near. The rule that holds in swimming is equally as sensible in business. Look for the bottom first, and start from there.—Detroit Free Press.

Fire Hazards In Home Listed

The Fire Prevention Bureau of the Birmingham Fire Department is issuing this list of recommendations and helps so that each individual can check his home and safeguard against fire during this Fire Prevention Week.

"If these suggestions are followed you will not be alone in your efforts to make your home safe from the perils of loss and destruction. There are countless numbers of organizations and individuals who are working in earnest to help you in the campaign against fire. If after checking over the following list of recommendations you are in doubt as to existing fire hazards in your home, call 1725 (Fire Prevention Bureau) and a fire inspector will gladly point out to you after an inspection any possible fire hazards.

- 1. Keep furnace pipes in good repair and chimney clean.
- 2. Keep benches, gasoline, kerosene, etc., in the garage or basement away from the heat of chimney and properly sealed.
- 3. Keep matches out of reach from children.
- 4. Keep dust mop in metal container.
- 5. Keep ashes only in metal container.
- 6. Keep electrical wiring in good repair.
- 7. Keep papers and combustible materials from accumulating.
- 8. Keep curtains away from gas or kerosene stove.
- 9. Keep smoking hot 15 amp. fuses in metal light strings.
- 10. Keep out of dark corners with hidden matches.
- 11. Keep these recommendations in mind and keep happy.
- Remember: An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Black-on-Silver Will Be Colors of 1940 Auto License Plates

Manufacturers of 1940 motor vehicle license plates for the State of Michigan involves the use of approximately 1600 tons of 24 gauge steel and an estimated 13,500 gallons of paint.

There will be made this year 2,220,550 sets of plates for 1940. To deliver them to the car owners and drivers of Michigan requires an equal number of envelopes and 45,000 cartons for shipment to the 178 branch offices of the Department of State.

Plates for 1940 will show black letters and numerals on a silver aluminum background.

On and after March 1, 1940, all truck license plates will be taboon in Michigan. License plates will be uniform for every car no matter by whom it is owned.

License plates for 1940 will have two letters and four numbers designating the county in which they are issued.

STANDING RIB ROAST

GRAIN FED—BEEF
LB. **21c**

ANY CHUCK CUT BEEF ROAST lb. 19c
SIRLOIN or ROUND STEAK lb. 23c
TENDER, LEAN CUTS OF SWISS STEAK lb. 25c
STRICTLY FRESH GROUND BEEF lb. 14c

Michigan U. S. No. 1 ONIONS

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SWEET CIDER gal. 15c
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GENUINE YAMS 5 lbs. 19c
CRANBERRIES 2 lbs. 25c
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BROILERS lb. 19c
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BOILING BEEF lb. 10c
BARKS lb. 11c
LAMB STEAK lb. 9c
CORNESS ROLLED VEAL lb. 21c
BACON SQUARES lb. 10c
SMOKED PIG HOCKS lb. 10c

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(Gauze 4 for 15) **4 rolls 19c**
IONA PEACHES No. 2 1/2 2 for 25c
CHERRIES Michigan No. 2 Can. 3 for 25c
PINEAPPLE—Sliced 15 oz. Can. 2 for 19c
GRAPEFRUIT, broken, No. 2 Can. 3 for 23c
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 46 oz. 2 cans 27c
TOMATO JUICE No. 2 Can. 4 for 25c
PINEAPPLE JUICE 46 oz. 27c
Camp. Tomato Juice 20 oz. 3 cans 23c
Camp. Tomato Soup 10 1/2 oz. 3 cans 20c
TALL BOY SOUPS 22 oz. 3 cans 25c

DILL PICKLES 2 qt. jar 19c
LANG'S SWEET PICKLES qt. jar 17c
KETCHUP—14 oz. can 2 bot. 15c
ANN PAGE KETCHUP 14 oz. 10c
SALAD DRESSING Ann Page qt. jar 27c
FRENCH DRESSING Ann Page 8 oz. 10c
LA CHOY SPROUTS No. 2 Can. 3 for 23c
LA CHOY NOODLES 5 oz. 2 cans 25c
Strongheart Dog Food 15 oz. Can 5c
DAILY DOG FOOD 1 lb. 6 cans 25c

IONA FLOUR

24 1/2 LB. BAG **59c**
SUGAR 25 lb. bag 1.45
Sunnyfield FLOUR 5 lb. bag 15c
EGGS—Medium Size 2 doz. 48c
PURE LARD 2 lb. ctn. 17c
OLEOMARGARINE 2 lbs. 23c
BUTTER 2 lbs. 55c
WISCONSIN CHEESE lb. 20c
SWISS CHEESE Grade "A" lb. 27c
MEL-O-BIT CHEESE 2 lb. loaf 39c
MUNSTER CHEESE lb. 19c

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3 cakes 16c
CORN FLAKES Sunnyfield 2 lge. 15c
CORN FLAKES Kellogg 2 lge. 17c
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WHEAT FLAKES Sunnyfield 2 pkg. 17c
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