

Gardeners' Corner
(This column is conducted for The Eccentric's readers by Mrs. Mabel 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.)

There are the same old things to do, this garden is dry. The hose must be dragged around interminably. You weed and weed. It's hot any way. Why not take a breather and go to see somebody else's flowers? We did and you will like the trip too. It's hardly any distance so take your note book and pencil and go out to the Perry-Morse Seed Breeding Station. The annuals are in riotous bloom, don't miss them. The Station is located on the Rochester road (M. 150) one mile north of Auburn road (M. 59). One turns East and drives for half a mile to the trial fields. The Station is open to the public with the single request, "Don't pick any flowers." One is free to wander and take notes. The names of the flowers are on the back of the numbered notes. Mr. Harry A. Vines, in charge of the breeding and trials, was kind enough to point out new trials and the most successful older favorites, when we visited the beds.

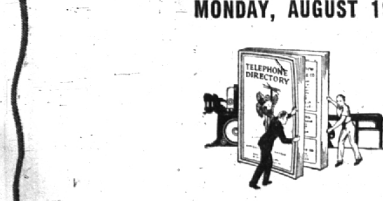
PATCHWORK QUILT
Near the greenhouses are the sweet peas. Don't let anyone tell you that one can't grow here. Sweet peas in our hot summers. Here are the new early flowering in many beautiful shades down superbly. Down the road one comes to a veritable patchwork quilt of bright colors, the annuals in row upon row. First—the zinnias—bright flowered or pom-pom comes in many shades. Cupid Tiny Tim was an especially nice orange red dwarf. One may also many less familiar annuals, that could have really useful places in gardens. Many, in fact, most of them are grown on the open ground where they are blooming. An annual Gaillardia picta Lorenziana, both in double and single forms is a satisfactory flower for the middle border, growing to about 14 inches. Three daisy flowered plants varying in height from about 18 inches to 4 inches. The tallest—Star of Texas, Xanthoxia Texanum grows to 18 inches and has canopy yellow flowers with a lighter center, does well in dry, hot places. Next is the African Daisy or Cape Marigold, Dimorphotheca growing to 12-15 inches it blooms all summer. It had a

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
E. Wilmer Moody, City Commissioner. "I certainly don't expect the State to do something about widening West Maple avenue. A number of places between Birmingham and Telegraph road are quite dangerous. The narrow bridge over the Rouge is a particularly bad spot; the other day I saw several youngsters at the bridge, leaning over and looking at the river; they were in constant danger of passing over the edge."
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Church News

The United Presbyterian Church
Rev. Joseph A. Moore, Minister
Bible school, 8:45 a. m. Daily Sabbath, 10:30 a. m.
Wednesday evening, 7:15 a. m.
Wednesday evening, Bible study hour, 7:30 p. m.

First Methodist Church
Minister, Rev. Charles C. Bunker
Organist—Oscar W. Schmidt
Director of Chorus, Victor Ulrich
Sunday Services
Worship, 11 o'clock
Church school—9:45 o'clock
Bible and Primary departments, Summer schedule, 10 o'clock.

Christian Science Church
Center and Willis Street
Church, 10:30 a. m.
Worship, 10:30 a. m.
Worship, 8 p. m.
Spirit will be the subject of the lesson in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, August 11, 1940.

Three Feet Tall
An interesting tall plant, lavender or salmon, is the Spider plant, Cleome; growing to three feet it makes a satisfactory hedge plant. Thunbergia, Black Eyed Susan, Vitis, is an attractive annual. The flowers do not resemble the daisy-like Susans of the fields, but they do have black eyes and are white or orange. See also the dozens of petunias, Balcony Blue is a lovely purple, and the much advertised Cream Star is also on view. Stokes that is marked A. T. are the All American Trials plants, for the Perry-Morse Station is one of twelve trial growers for the plants that will receive the fall awards—silver, gold or bronze for the All American Annual. You must go to visit and choose your favorites and see how you like the ones I have described. If you are interested in the trials, visitation is given most cordially by the Station.

First Baptist Church
Wolcott at Bates St.
Rev. J. W. Naylor, Minister
Rev. Carl Mease, S. S. Superintendent
Theresa, Harline, Board of Missions
Worship, 11 a. m.
Morning worship, Rev. J. C. Heat
Evening service, Women of the church charge of the service.
The community is invited to attend all the services of the church.

St. James Episcopal Church
Rev. Warner L. Forsyth, Rector
Phone, 1679, Office 2356
Holy Communion, 11 a. m., First Sunday of each month.

Holy Name Catholic Church
Harmon at Woodland
Rev. Fr. Frederick J. Becker, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Lawrence V. Hamel, Assistant
Parish School, 11:30 a. m.
Daily masses at 7 and 8 a. m.

First Presbyterian Church
Rev. W. Glen Harris, Pastor
The Rev. Frederick J. Becker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Miami, will preach the sermon at the regular worship service Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock. The church school will meet on Sabbath morning at 9:45 o'clock. Children attending the morning service may leave their children in the nursery. The Pulpit choir will meet at the church at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening to do an evening party at the residence of Betty Parsons. The club is for women of all ages and of high social position. Everyone welcome. Come and bring your friends.

Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church
Rev. Theodore G. Wuzgarter, Jr., Pastor
Holy Communion, 8 a. m.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Sunday school, 10:30 a. m.
Sunday school, 11:45 a. m.
Sunday school, 6:30 p. m.

Christ Church Cranbrook
Rev. Wm. F. Hamm, Ass't. Rector
Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m.
Holy Communion, the first Sunday of each month, 11 a. m.

Franklin Community Church
Rev. Howell C. Guin, Pastor
Morning services, 10:30 a. m.
Sunday School, 11:45 a. m.

St. Hugo of the Hills Church
Hudale Road
The Rev. Daniel T. Wholhan, Pastor
Sunday masses at 8:00, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30.

Trinity Presbyterian Church
Linton near Woodland
Reverend John Reick, Minister
Mrs. Edna M. Lee, Organist
and Director of Music
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Graded classes for all ages.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.

Embury Methodist Church
Bonnville Ave.
Rev. Charles Brewer, Pastor
Church School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:15 a. m.
Epworth League every Sunday at 6:30 p. m. at the church.

THERE IS HIGHER GROUND



Why do men continue to build where dangerous floods sweep from season to season? Most of the flood destructions of history have taken place under these circumstances, where men have built in the midst of the marks of former inundations. Two thousand years ago a young teacher told us that we must move to higher ground and pointed out the way. Today his words stand like a sun-drenched mountain whose men could live in peace and security if they would leave their sodden hate-bidden habitations. The greatness of the sermon on the mount and the need for it today transcend the lines of race, creed or faith. Men will have to move toward it more definitely than ever before on the civilization we have known will most certainly perish. Read that astounding prospectus of life called the sermon on the mount again and you'll see what we mean.—CHARLES A. WELLS.

From the Women's Angle

As I sat last evening listening to Lurline McDonald's magnificent interpretation of George Gershwin's symphonic concerto at a Federal Music Project Concert at Grrosse Pointe, I realized that just last month was commemorated the third anniversary of the death of this young American who is considered by serious musicians to be the only one thus far to have written anything memorable in the jazz idiom. Regardless of the merit attached by musicians to his major symphonic works, it must be admitted that Gershwin was a symbol of his age. He was a valid expression of the humanity in which he moved. His two completely serious compositions—that is, "serious" in the symphonic sense—the piano concerto and "An American in Paris," possess a definite art personality of their own. Neither are in any sense masterpieces, still they are Gershwin and some of it is very good. Gershwin. His talent was amazingly versatile and his music possessed a freshness and freshness that in its particular sphere was exhilarating. Like that other American, Stephen Foster, his music was essentially for the multitude. Whether his music was more or less, of course, purely speculative. But regardless of the merit of his contribution to contemporary music Gershwin will always remain somewhat of an enigma. His talent will always attract "What might he have done had not premature death robbed him of his chance to prove his merit?" Like Foster, he died leaving musicians wondering whether he might have achieved a higher place in his chosen art if his technical equipment had been of a higher order. The question can, of course, never be answered and yet it is reasonable to assume that given the advantages of an academic musical education Gershwin might have had an even more profound influence upon modern American music.



By KATHERINE W. GEORGE
Prima donna, of course, never be answered and yet it is reasonable to assume that given the advantages of an academic musical education Gershwin might have had an even more profound influence upon modern American music. Many a career has been ruined by a person going temporarily. Puffed up by early success and unwanted acclaim, the budding actress, or athlete, business executive or politician, becomes suddenly conscious of his own importance. He does himself indispensable and begins to demand special favors and general catering. He constantly makes grandiose and advanced claims to his high status with the personal assurance of a prima donna. He is not to be trifled with. Rules and regulations are not to be tampered with. But also, his sense of common sense and common sense day catch up with him and when he finally realizes that while he has been busy lapping up salves of praise and playing hero for a gallery of sycophants, he has neglected himself, whatever it may be, has wasted his talents and to his dismay, he finds himself no longer one of the great or near-greats and thus he is wounded or smothered during his peak pop up to take part shots at him. Then is when character really shows. If the erstwhile prima donna can fall from the pinnacle and really take it when the going gets tough, he is rewarded. His chance for a comeback is cleared once and for all of the delusions of grandeur which formerly hampered him. But if he fails to take his dose of self-cure and continues to strut with no longer any excuse, he is a dead dog, as they say in baseball. So take success in your stride, young ones, if you are lucky enough to encounter it, and don't let it ride you into oblivion in the false character of a prima donna.

Mrs. George
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MICHIGAN PHOTO WINS \$100
This picturesque harbor scene at Cheboygan won \$100 first award for James D. Ross, Jr. Kalamazoo amateur photographer, in the 1939 camera contest sponsored by member newspapers of the Michigan Press Association in cooperation with the State Fair. This year's competition is in three classes—portraits, pictorial and animals—with \$300 in cash awards and awards of merit ribbons. Entries, mounted on white board, not larger than 16x20 inches, should be mailed to Camera Contest, Michigan State Fair, Detroit, not later than Saturday, August 24.

Lathrup Townsite News
by LILLIAN DIEDERICH
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flury, their daughter, Beth, and Mr. Flury's mother, Mrs. N. A. Flury, are occupying their new home on Bloomfield drive.
Dr. and Mrs. Ford K. Daines are vacationing near Traverse City.
Mr. and Mrs. Rollo E. Cramer and family, of San Diego boulevard, have returned from a motor trip through the Smokies and the Eastern States.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stephenson, of Saratoga boulevard, entertained Friday night at a picnic supper in their garden honoring Mr. R. E. Lawrence of Macon, Ga. Other guests at the picnic were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stephenson, of Highland Park, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stephenson, Jr., of Beverly Hills, William Nettie, Leon Sankar, Charles Van Truse, all of Highland Park.
Barbara Cline entertained a group of children at a birthday party at her home Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Burdick and son, Ralph, of Lathrup boulevard, have returned from a month's vacation with Mr. Burdick's father at the latter's summer home in the mountains near Smethport, Pa.
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sweitzer, of San Diego boulevard, have as their guest, Mrs. R. K. Schantz, of Bradford, Ont. Mrs. Schantz will remain two weeks.
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Joslyn entertained a group of friends, a steak-fry in their garden Saturday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Neil R. Brannan have motored East to visit Mr. Brannan's parents in Boston. The Brannans will also stop at Baltimore on their return trip.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Drago, of Bloomfield drive, have returned from a fishing trip to Quebec. The Drago's also stopped in New York to visit Mr. Drago's sister. They then took a boat from Buffalo for home.

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