

News of Interest to Gardeners

Planning Your Victory Garden

There are so many plans available this year that the gardener can pick and choose at will. One excellent, well-presented plan will be shown at the Cranbrook Institute of Science in the near future. All of these plans give a fairly long list of vegetables, some of which may not be as popular with your family. Although we should all make the effort to train children to "eat what is good for them," particularly such foods as tomatoes, lettuce, chard, and spinach, there is a range of other vegetables that allow some variation for particular taste. If you use leaf in soup, add this excellent vegetable to the plan. If you love green beans and don't care as much for wax, omit the latter. In other words, use your own judgment.

Certain rules, however, apply to all garden plan-making and should not be overlooked:

- Run rows north and south for maximum sun for each plant.
- Do not plant tall plants "sunny side"; that is, to the south of low ones.

Separate the early quick maturing vegetables, such as radishes, turnips, and lettuce, from the slower growing types, and still farther from those which are perennial and will not be removed this fall.

Close planting requires additional fertilizer, but do not plant too close.

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2. To plant and tend the garden in a workmanlike manner, until it is harvested.
3. To use due care that no trees be damaged.
4. To make no claims for damages against the owner of the land and the Birmingham Farm and Garden Association, arising out of my use of the garden for any purpose, or the sale of the land, at any time during my use of it.
5. That in the event of the sale of the lot, all my rights would terminate.

Dated at Birmingham, Michigan _____ Month, Day, 1942

Signature of Applicant _____
Mail or send to Conservation Department of Women's National Farm and Garden Association, Office of Civilian Defense, Municipal Bldg., Birmingham, Michigan (Don't Write in This Space)

Lot _____ Subdivision _____

Victory Garden Work Progresses

Each Victory Garden was visited this week by the Conservation Department and the plan was laid out. A survey of the future gardens, a price according to soil and layout, and the practical advice and suggestions were given.

Because of the growing demand for lots and planning, the garden desk at the Civilian Defense office and the Conservation Committee have been steeped in work.

Because of the large number still to be taken care of, the work will be taken in sections and plowed, disced and dragged in time for planting.

At the gardening desk, under Mrs. Craig Richey, will be found leaflets, bulletins and all necessary literature on gardening. Good tested black dirt and well-rotted manure can be purchased at a reasonable price through names attached to the garden desk in the office on the second floor, Municipal Building.

Members of the Conservation Committee are Mrs. Elmore Wolter, chairman; Mrs. W. J. Victor, Spike, Mrs. Craig Richey, Mrs. Howard Haggerty, Mrs. Richard Chisum, Mrs. Eli Alexander, and Mrs. Robert Chisum.

Feed Grass Early To Choke Weeds

If your lawn is infested with dandelions, crabgrass, or other types of lawn weeds, then by all means see that the spring application of plant food is made early. Tests have shown that weeds are far less numerous in lawn areas that have been fed while the grass is still dormant.

Here is what one experienced gardener has to say about the early feeding of lawns:

"I am satisfied that very early feeding pays, and hereafter I will feed my lawn while it is positively in the dormant stage."

"Not only does the grass on early-fed areas in my lawn make a good early growth, with a nice green color, but the early start that it gets certainly eliminates the early growth of any weeds that might come in otherwise."

FOR ORDERING CABTREES FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY

To Birmingham Branch Women's National Farm & Garden Ass'n

Please purchase for me Malus floribunda trees 5 to 6 feet in height to be delivered in April to the address shown below. Trees are \$15.00 each.

Name _____
Address _____
Check enclosed with this order in the amount of _____
Check should be made payable to Mrs. Robert Hall, 1500 Fairway Dr., or Mrs. Gordon Craven, 2385 Fairway Dr., and mailed with this form. Cancelled check will serve as receipt.

Small Plat Feeds Family of Five

The quantity of vegetables which can be produced on a small area of well fed soil will amaze anyone who has not tried it. All the fresh vegetables, except potatoes and sweet corn, required for a family of five from July 1 to Nov. 1, were grown in a test garden 20 x 25 feet made near Chicago.

This little garden was simply laid out, as the plan shows. The soil was poor, but it was enriched with 50 pounds of commercial plant food, raked into the surface after the soil was spaded. Rows were laid out 18 inches apart, with a 3 foot grass path in the center. A decorative fence surrounding it supported pole beans and tomatoes.

Here is the way it was planted, the numbers referring to the locations indicated on the plan:

1. Green bush-beans, 2. wax-bush-beans, 3. dwarf lima beans, 4. beans, 5. dwarf peas, 6. parsnips, 7. leaf lettuce, 8. carrots, 9. broccoli, 10. eggplant, 11. peppers, 12. Swiss chard, 13. parsley, 1 row, 14. Swiss chard, 15. herbs, 1 row, 16. Kentucky Wonder beans, 17. pole lima beans, 18. tomatoes (for north fence), 19. Italian marrows, 20. bush pumpkin, 21. cucumbers.

Water was available to this garden during dry spells. The work required to keep it was about an hour a day. The space was so small it was never a burden, and the garden was kept so well that it greatly increased the pleasure of the gardener. Garden dissection and planning are often due to attempting too much, which prevents proper care and feeding of the plants.

Too Early for Milk

A couple of tourists called at a Maine farm house of an early butcher, chairman, Mrs. Victor Spike, Mrs. Craig Richey, Mrs. Howard Haggerty, Mrs. Richard Chisum, Mrs. Eli Alexander, and Mrs. Robert Chisum.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In a case of said Court, held at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, in and County of Oakland, Michigan, on the 4th day of April, 1942.

Present, Hon. Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Harriet E. Williams, Deceased.

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Community House Offers Service of Visiting Nurse

By KATHRYN UMPHREY

Probably the least known yet one of the most valuable services offered by the Birmingham Community House is that of the Visiting Nurse Association. This service has been set up for the benefit of everyone in the community—whether at one time or another the average person becomes ill enough so that the care of a nurse is advisable and yet he does not wish to leave his home in constant attendance. The visiting nurse, who may be reached through the Community House, is the answer to such a problem, it is said.

Mrs. Harriet Thompson, who lives in Birmingham, works in this area, and is assisted when necessary by others from Detroit. Usually the visiting nurse work in order of a physician. Should a nurse be called to a home where no doctor is in attendance, it is allowed to do so to make the patient comfortable, taking his temperature, and suggesting call a doctor if necessary.

Under doctor's orders, however, they may perform all the usual duties a nurse, including assistance at the time of confinement; physiotherapy treatment, mainly massage, foot-light, exercise, and muscle reeducation for those crippled.

SEEK FARM IRON

Every farm in Michigan will be visited by WPA trucks to collect surplus needed scrap metal and rubber for war plants. Kenneth M. Burns, chairman of the Salvage for Victory Committee of the Michigan Council of Defense, announced.

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Theatre Reveals Unusual Billing

Dramatizing a battle of tempers, the Birmingham Theatre will have Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy together, but in SEPARATE pictures the week starting Friday, April 10.

In the first such booking in the history of the country, one of Hollywood's favorite teams of actors will play in separate starring vehicles when "Smilin' Through" and "The Chocolate Soldier" are played together on the same program.

When "Smilin' Through" was originally planned, Nelson Eddy was tentatively suggested for the role but for some reason or other didn't play it and so Miss MacDonald was starred with two other leading men of support, Gene Raymond (her husband) and Ian Hunter. The same situation in "The Chocolate Soldier" resulted in Mr. Eddy picking a new and glamorous leading lady to play opposite him, in the case Miss Rene Stephens of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

The glorious melodies of "Smilin' Through" are retained in this new production which is filmed in full technicolor. In "Chocolate Soldier" the beautiful music of Oscar Strauss endows the glory which is the tale of "The Guardsman" (originally

played on the stage by Lunt and Fontanne) set to melody.

Playing two great musicals together, such as the Birmingham Theatre has scheduled for the week of April 10 will make on opening day, is an innovation in movie circles, an experiment worth watching.

CONCERT AT ANN ARBOR

The mammoth massed orchestra concert to be presented by the Michigan Civic Orchestra Association announced previously to be at Olympia Stadium, Detroit, Sunday afternoon May 3, will be given instead at Ann Arbor, in the large Yost Field House of the University of Michigan. It will include the appearance of Percy Grainger, noted pianist and composer, both as soloist and as conductor.

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