

Garden Responds To Sun and Rain In Model Manner

Would those who lead nations in war and hate... But lay down their bombs at some garden gate... They bury their guns and their bloody deeds, And join the grand army that's fighting the weeds!

That bit of verse, lettered on a wooden sign that sways in the breeze, is the theme song of the Garden Club's Victory Garden which is responding favorably to a hot sun and plenty of rain.

It will do your heart good—those who wish to see it—then it will stop by for a few moments. Forget that shopping whirl—those troubles, at home, and the handiwork of Mother Nature and her partners, the aspiring women of the garden club.

Low White Fence

Situated on the corner opposite the Baptist Church, the garden is graced with a low white picket fence and radiates maturity and falling virtue to the fate of all good garden vegetables, but the radiance, achievement, and pride now must be those juicy, flaming red tomatoes that this reporter spied growing on one of the vines. Following the best practice for small gardens, the plants are staked, of course.

The lot is divided into four rectangles, and between each plot is thick soil, while underlying each is a most pleasant row of allyssum which perfumes the air as you stroll by.

Four Rectangles

Each rectangle has a special sort of planting; one is for storage crops, such as carrots, beets, rutabagas, and cabbage; a second is for canning, and this includes, besides, tomatoes, cucumbers, beans, and the like. A third plot consists of herbs and salad crops, while the fourth is just general vegetables for current table use.

Along the outside edge, there were squashes of several kinds. However, the reporter found no sweet corn, which was omitted, probably because of lack of space, but the garden is complete without it, for corn is one of those vegetables hard to buy when in prime quality.

An American flag completes the picture.

RENT REGISTRATION

Landlords should not send their registration statements to Washington, as many are doing, Area Rent Director Patrick McSamara stated today.

Registration statements, Mr. McSamara announced, "must be returned to the area rent office in the Detroit deferral rental area, not the Office of Price Administration in Washington. Instructions on the forms clearly state that they are to be returned to the local area rent office. The Detroit office is located in the Penobscot Building."

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Lathrup Townsite News

by LILLIAN DIEDERICH

Mrs. R. E. Elias, of Saratoga boulevard, and Mrs. George Trium, of Detroit, were co-hostesses at a garden bridge-supper for 16 guests, Saturday, July 25, held at the Elias residence.

Mrs. R. F. Hansler, of Buffalo, N.Y., has been the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Golear, of Bloomfield, since the past week.

Comings and Goings

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sutherland visited friends in Chicago, last week, after which they motored to visit relatives in Wisconsin, where they will remain another week. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. France also plan a trip to Wisconsin next week and the S. Odey Lanes will be in Muskegon the first week in August. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nichol and children returned last week from their summer home in Ludington, Mich., where they have been for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Craig, of Sunnysbrook road, will leave for a vacation Aug. 3. They plan to visit Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Morse, at the family home at Pigeon, Mich.

The John Friscoe of Lathrup boulevard will be host to 12 guests at a steak roast to be given on Saturday evening.

Richard Stannard, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Stannard, will leave for Great Britain, next week, where he will take a position in an airplane plant as a stress analysis engineer. A party in his honor was given by his parents, Wednesday evening.

Glad tidings by letter came to the James Porters last week, when a letter from their son, Clifford, announced he is now plotting planes somewhere, "out there." (Clifford was at Pearl Harbor that fateful day as a ground mechanic; his ambition was to become a pilot.) News from Waide Porter who became 18 in June, and immediately enlisted, says he is doing exactly what he is hoped to do in the Army, learning all about planes. Waide is at a Missouri base.

Falls From Window

Mrs. George L. Marsh, of Saratoga boulevard, was adjusting an upstairs window last Saturday when the screen gave way, and she plunged to the ground. It was some time before she could call for help, but no one was about to

Oakland County Has Over 400 Lakes, 1,000 Sq. Miles of Parks, 41 Golf Spots

(Editor's note: Did you know that Oakland County has more than 400 lakes, or one lake to each two square miles? That is the one of the "Interesting Facts About Oakland County" contained in the County official yearbook published by County Clerk and Industrial Commissioner Lyan D. Allen. The article, written by Dr. W. H. Morley and H. D. Johnson, is printed herewith so that many newcomers in the community may learn more about Oakland.)

On May 6, 1812, Congress passed an act to make a survey of this territory. The County was organized in 1819, and on June 28, 1820, the Governor divided the County into two townships, Oakland and Bloomfield, which had a total population of 300.

On April 12, 1827, the County was divided into five townships, Oakland, Troy, Bloomfield, Farmington and Pontiac, which had an aggregate valuation of \$338,000, and \$849,000 in 1828. The aggregate township expense including its proportion of the County costs was \$823.32.

Form Agricultural Society

The pioneers of our County must have looked to the future of our County as a manufacturing center, as well as a great agricultural country for we find on July 7, 1849, the Oakland County Agricultural Society was organized. The purpose of the society was for the encouragement and advancement of agriculture, manufacturing and commerce.

Nature was very generous with her gifts to Oakland County and the Shrine of the Little Flower, 7, 1849, the Oakland County Agricultural Society was organized. The purpose of the society was for the encouragement and advancement of agriculture, manufacturing and commerce.

There are more than 400 lakes in the county, or one lake to each two square miles, and most of them have sandy beaches where the children may bathe in perfect safety. These lakes are well stocked with game and fish, and to keep them supplied with bluegills and bass, there is maintained at each lake a small hatchery of its kind in the world.

Need Volunteers

The Mobile Blood Unit will again come to Southfield Township, Saturday, Aug. 29, at the Annie Lathrup school. A new HIGH quota must be met, and it is hoped all who so generously volunteered when the unit came out in May will again help fill the needed quota ever before asked by our country. With soldiers fighting in every quarter of the globe, the need for plasma is urgent. Please contact Mrs. L. J. Golear, or Mrs. John Diederich at a time convenient to you will be arranged.

There are numerous streams in the county and many of the lakes are connected by these rivers or creeks that are deep enough to be navigated with a boat or canoe and a trip from lake to lake by way of these streams takes the voyager through a veritable wonderland of beauty, and interest.

Eleven State parks with a total combined area of 1406 square miles offer camping and recreational space for the large number of visitors who come for week-end trips or to spend a few weeks in Oakland County during the summer. There is also a county park near Davidsburg.

Most of these parks have great possibilities for winter sports and each year skating, ice hockey and tobogganing are attracting more people. The long ski slide at Rochester brings throngs of people annually to view the championship stunts there.

The Scotch game of curling was played upon the ice of Orchard Lake in the winter of 1832. This was the first time this ancient Scotch pastime was played in the United States. The Scots, living around Orchard Lake, did not possess the regular stones or "stones" as they call them; but took heavy wooden blocks and made them into a shape similar to the regular curling stone.

The game of golf has evidenced by the fact that there are 41 courses where this game may be played. Most of them are public or semi-private and many of these golf courses are known as among the sportiest to be found in the entire nation.

Although Oakland is near the large Metropolitan centers, the wooded areas provide cover and food for game and birds and there is excellent hunting for rabbit, squirrel, fox and partridge hunting. Duck shooting is a favorite

sport, and a few coyote have been seen.

Manufacturing

Pontiac Motor Company, the Fisher Body Corp., the General Motors Truck Company are the largest industrial plants in Oakland County while numerous smaller industries are scattered throughout, giving employment to thousands of persons. For some time the General Motors Truck Company has been entirely on war work and is employing approximately 14,000 people. The Pontiac Motor is building two anti-aircraft guns and an aerial torpedo, while the Fisher plant is taking on war contracts on a big scale.

Among the religious institutions that attract nation wide attention is the White Lake Catholic church which was built more than one hundred years ago and is still being used as a place of worship and the Shrine of the Little Flower located at the corner of Woodward and Twelve Mile road.

The great Cranbrook schools and church were built by the Booth Foundation and are one of the points of interest visited by thousands each year. The carillon concerts on Sunday afternoons during the summer preceded the vesper services at the church.

Farming is by no means the least of the industries of Oakland county and the farm crops and produce are of an excellent quality and bring top prices in the city markets. Some of the choicest dairy and beef herds of the nation are to be found in this county. The D. M. Perry Seed Company has its demonstration and seed growing farm near Rochester and the Parke Davis Laboratories are also located in this village.

Population 254,068

In this county where the population increased from 211,251 in 1930 to 254,068 in 1940, there is a total of 238 miles of improved roads with 827 miles of these roads being hard surfaced. The road organization of the county is a very complete one and is taken as a pattern and example by many other counties and states.

These are some of the natural and developed resources and attractions of the county, but what is more important than any of the

Aids Swimmers



Little Judson Morgan volunteered to help Pvt. Pat Peterson learn to swim in complete fatigue uniform. Los Angeles recreation officials have started a program to teach Army men how to navigate a stream without help of a tug.

physical or material wealth of Oakland is the class of her citizenry. They are a loyal, law abiding, friendly and home loving people who extend a cordial welcome to others to come and enjoy life with them.

Detroit Chirped With D. U. I. L.

Two Detroiters were arrested here last Thursday, and one of them, Myron Russell Slupe, of 914 Haring, Detroit, was held for driving while under the influence of liquor. He paid a \$50 fine to Associate Justice James W. Taylor, while his companion, Robert Blair Crawford, of 18067 Birchcrest, Detroit, paid a \$5 fine on a disorderly charge. Slupe's operator's license is automatically suspended.

Tin is used to line food containers for the Army and Navy, for coating gas mask canisters, for bearings, solder, and airplane engines.

List Two Methods for Canning Peach

Peaches for canning will soon be on the market and even with less sugar available they make a tasty addition to an meal whether fresh or canned.

The home economic extension College suggests using tested methods in all canning, both safety and best flavor. Peaches should be ripe but not discolored. Peel and cut in halves or slices. Follow either of the following methods:

1. Simmer in a light syrup for 4 to 8 minutes. Do not cook until lapping layers. Pack in jars, placing halves with pit side down in oversyrup. Adjust tops and process in hot water bath for 15 minutes, or in a heat controlled oven at 275 degrees F. for 25 minutes.
2. Pack raw peaches in jars, cover with hot syrup, adjust tops, process in hot water bath for 35 minutes, if fruit is soft, 35 minutes (if firm). If processing in a heat controlled oven at 275 degrees F. allow 35 minutes if fruit is soft, 30 minutes if firm.

The hot pack or number one method has an advantage in preventing the brown discoloration sometimes found on canned peaches. It is particularly advised if the processing is done in the oven. Be sure water in the hot water bath is at a jumping boil while time is counted.

Syrup for canning in 1942 will be less sweet than in former years but has the advantage of preserving the fresh taste of the fruit.

Home Canning, Extension Bulletin No. 132, may be obtained from the Bulletin Room at Michigan State College at East Lansing. Full directions for canning of fruits and vegetables are contained with time tables for processing.

PLENTY OF PHEASANTS

EAST LANSING—Michigan's 1942 crop of pheasants is maturing in good style and current indications are that there will be an abundance of birds for hunting this fall, the conservation department's game men report, holding that damage from the season's unusually rainy weather has been local and relatively limited.

Thru Your Scrap into the Fight!

Wild Duck Supply Best in 10 Years

LANSING—The best duck flights in more than a decade, predicted by the federal fish and wildlife service, will be matched this fall by federal regulations allowing 70 days of duck shooting—10 more than last year, and every one a full day, from sunrise to sunset.

Continuing increases in the duck supply, now estimated at three times the duck population of seven years ago, explain such liberalization of the federal rules as abandonment of the 4 p. m. close which, in the now including Michigan, will run from Sept. 26 through Dec. 4.

Community Grows Tithe for Church

One cubic inch of wheat has increased itself to approximately two bushels to give members of the Friends Church (Quaker) at Tecumseh a novel community enterprise that involves crop improvement and big industry.

July 4, 1926, Jesse Osborne brought the first wheat to be ground into flour at the new mill now being rebuilt by Henry Ford & Co. In 1942, the Quakers mustered bundles their novel crop, and in 1940 a cubic inch of Bald Rock wheat, perfected at Michigan State College nearly two decades ago, was obtained by church members from C. D. Finckh, Clinton, pioneer in the Michigan Crop Improvement association. The 350 kernels produced 1,800 kernels a year ago and were replanted on Ford's land across from the rebuilt mill at Tecumseh.

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