

MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

with MORT NEFF

SCIENCE OF SHOTGUNNING

Lots of books have been written on shotguns and their effectiveness against upland birds and game. Before you bought your gun you probably pondered the matter at great length—wondered if you were choosing the right gauge, the best stock, the right length barrel, the most effective choke for the type of hunting you planned to do.

Chances are your choice worked out pretty well, because most hunters can become good shots with any gun, providing they use it often enough to get thoroughly used to it.

In my book the choice of shot is a more important factor, plus the knowledge that tells you when to pull that trigger. Too many hunters buy shells loaded with No. 4 pellets when they should be using No. 6 or even 7 1/2. Your shells with No. 4 shot have 135 pellets to the ounce while a No. 7 1/2 load carries 250 pellets for the same weight. You may argue that the killing power of heavier shot is greater, but you can't deny that in numbers there is strength, too! And if you're inclined to reach out for your birds or game beyond the 40 yard mark, your pattern begins to break up, and you desperately need those extra pellets to fill the holes.

Choice of Choke
Closely related to your choice

A Birmingham Resident, Mort Neff's "Michigan Outdoors" television show appears every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. over station WLVJ-TV.

Camera Club to Hear Talk by World Traveler

Isadore Arnold Berger, amateur photographer, world traveler and attorney, will be the guest speaker in the Bloomfield Hills Camera club news this evening.

Berger, recently returned from a trip around the world will show many of the pictures he took and talk of his experiences. His trip covered Hawaii, Japan, Hong Kong, Bali, Israel and Europe.

The group will meet in the science institute auditorium at Cranbrook.

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Down to Earth

By ALICE WESSELS BURLINGAME



We have been enjoying the pleasure which can be shared by all in autumn colorings.

It is possible for you to plan such an autumn show on your property by the careful selection of trees for their colorings. Among the trees you will want to remember are Siberian maple (Acer Ginnala), which will be scarlet, red maple (Acer rubrum), red-orange; sugar maple (Acer Saccharum), red-yellow-orange; birch, yellow-orange; redbud, yellow-orange; sweet gum, all shades, ending in crimson; tulip tree, yellow; sumac, scarlet; Japanese maple, green, etc.

Many gardeners select oak trees because they retain their leaves most of the winter.

This week I visited the William A. Hambley garden at 1418 Pierce. This home faces east and in front of the one story house the Hambleys had planted floribunda roses which will continue to bloom throughout most of October. The Betty Prior and Else Poulsen varieties are paying big dividends in color now as they have been to the "investors" since the middle of June. The Hambleys like floribunda roses in front of their living room windows for the color that shows above the sill, plus the beauty the passer-by enjoys.

IN FRONT OF the bedroom

David Schuh Tops Amateur Show In State Finals

David Schuh, 15-year-old Birmingham high school student, has won a good deal of praise for his tap dancing ability in the past nine years, but the crowning touch came Monday night, Oct. 6, when he won the state finals of the Order of Eastern Star Amateurs competition in Grand Rapids.

The tap dancing star who has been dancing publicly since the age of six brought home \$100 first place money for topping all contestants in the dance class.

His rise in the amateur competition began on May 14 when he succeeded in winning the local preliminary elimination here in Birmingham.

THE NEXT STEP was in Milford when he outdanced all Oakland County contestants on June 13. The semi-finals were held in Flint on September 26 and David bested the county winners.

Monday night he took his chair and his talent into the Grand Finals to bring a summer of competition to a successful close.

David also appeared on the Ted Mack Original Amateur Hour, taking fifth place for his dance routines. He will perform in the Birmingham high school variety show next month.

He is the son of Mrs. Thelma Schuh, 359 Merrill.

Gold Hampers Firemen

Paris—Molten gold stuck on the boots of firemen when they put out a fire in the workshop of Christophe, leading Paris goldsmiths. Damage was estimated at "tens of millions of francs."

early pink, is placed to tie up with the color of the iris behind it. Viburnum prunifolium is in the boundary planting as a favorite of the Hambleys. It has black berries and, this time of year, red-brown leaves. The large white flowers compete with the glory of the dogwood in early spring.

The cranberry viburnum has interesting masses of bright red berries. After some of you become aware of the beauty of large bunches of bright berries in your shrub row each Fall you will select that category of shrub as carefully as you select a shrub for spring flowering.

"Roses, roses, roses," could easily be the theme of this garden. When the man of the house has an important part in the planning of a garden you will generally find lots of roses.

THEY PRESENT the challenge and rewards, especially with the

ever present new introductions of varieties.

Nine feet in from the back boundary of their property the Hambleys have built a huge trellis. The center is an arch and extending from each side for about 20 feet is a white fence five feet high. It is the setting for their choice roses. They have found that new dawn and dream girl are disease resistant climbers which bloom constantly until the killing frost.

Six hybrid roses are on each side of the fence. They are fed monthly and are given a weekly liquid spray against insects.

Park roses are their new find of the year. They grow tall and are sturdier than other types. Through the arch which invites further journeys around the yard they have Mercedes Gallert, which is a tea type rose of deep rose color and very fragrant.

IN BACK OF the "rose show" there is a hedge of cotoneasters with a hawthorne in the row. It had an infection last year and they discovered that it was due to an infected fir tree in the area. After the fir was removed the hawthorne was in perfect health.

We often find that one type of plant material can be lost for the insect which will attack another piece of plant material, sometimes quite a distance away.

The sinias in this garden were around 54 inches high due to good soil and feed. They were planted to color on the garden during the August fall.

The Hambley lawn is like a bed of velvet. It has lots of clover, and is cut two inches high all summer to avoid crab grass. In September the height is lowered.

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