

DOWN TO EARTH

Tips from Cleveland On Different Trees

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Recently I had the good fortune to attend the gerontology conference in Ann Arbor and was a keen follower of the program in its relationship to horticulture and its role in providing happy years ahead for all of us.

This idea may interest you. We are never too old to learn new tricks—this area of our mind only becomes sluggish because we don't use it.



Mrs. Burlingame says developing more skill so that we can adapt ourselves to new settings with the passing years.

IT WAS stressed that men, as well as women, preparing for their life work only train for a major skill and now with longevity extended it has been pointed out that all people in preparation for life should have a major as well as a minor life skill.

A harvest of a lifetime of good living is good health, seems to be the core of happy years ahead and a pattern for those in the early years to be aware of as a way of life for them.

This meeting was made up of industrial, civic and educational leaders from every state, with many going on to the world meeting in London.

From Cleveland, which has most of the same climate picture as we have here, we have many recommendations for different trees which you might like to investigate for a shade tree on your property. They are suggested by Edward Scammon, the commissioner of shade trees.

RED BARK cherry (Prunus serotina) has its trunk and branches covered with a shiny, metallic fire-engine red bark. It is compact and adds a lot to the winter landscape with its vivid coloring.

The Japanese striped bark maple (Acer capillipes) is 20 feet high and has regular black and green stripes on its bark structure.

Birches are very good to give beauty. The European Birch (Betula pendula purpurea) has purple foliage, the upper branches jet black and shiny while the lower branches and trunk are white. One of the unusual tree-like plants is Malus alnata which has greyish leaves with pink apple-like flowers. The sialdo lobate (Rosa pseudoacacia hispida) gives a light, lily shade in a mass of rose pink flowers to herald in the season.

The mountain ash is a favorite among gardeners visited and here is a different variety to seek, White-beam mountain ash (Sorbus aria

lutescens). It has silver foliage and white flowers in the spring, yellow berries in the fall.

THE LITTLE leaf Linden has small dark green leaves and the tree forms a pyramid in pattern. Beautiful yellow, heavily scented flowers in June make it a tree we should use more in Birmingham.

This special plant warns the garden planner to avoid the silver maple and Chinese elm as they are subject to wind damage and apt to disappoint their owner.

This tree information was given because many of you are saving the column material for a garden of the future and are not satisfied with the usual plant material.

The Plant Buyer's Guide in the Baldwin library will help locate any plant material you want.

I would like to visit a garden where the gardener specializes in lilies. This time of year we realize what an important role this flower selection plays in affording beauty.

In July many of you are saying, "Now next year I am going to make many changes in my garden design." Some of you have showed an interest in planning a water-lily pool.

IT SHOULD be located in the full sun and the pool can be a simple wooden tub, a discarded bathtub or any of the new plastic units going on to the world meeting in London.

When you buy plant material it can be a tender lily which is an annual and showier than the perennial type or you can select hardier perennial stock. Plant your water lily in the pool which is approximately 70 degrees.

The plants can be planted in tubs which is best because it is cleaner, or you can plant directly into the soil on the bottom. Their elevation in the pool can be adjusted by using bricks.

DORONICUM OR leopardband is a daisylike perennial which we should use more as it is a refreshing color of yellow and will flower from spring through autumn. The plant will be two feet high. The stems are very stiff which gives a pleasing plant in the garden.

At the end of the season if the roots of the Doronicum are placed in a flower pot, then sunk in the ground, they can be brought into the house and forced the first of February for a house plant.

These choice plants can be raised from seeds, thus assuring you of many for yourself and popularity among your garden friends who have them as gifts.

You will like Doronicum because it requires little sunlight and this selection will help you solve a growing problem for that reminding you that you will provide you with a "whistle stop."

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Storch of Bungalow drive gave a luncheon party in honor of their twin daughters, Karen and Sharon, 12th birthday. Storch enjoyment.

Guests were Linda Pederson, Karen Kopko, Connie Brook, Janet Anderson, Margaret Ann Cole, Margaret Stack, Gloria Slavsky, Ruth Ann Greenburg, Marsha Marcotte, Diane Dudenhofer, Julie Ann Walsh and Carol Zucal.

Mrs. Conrad Bloom and Mrs. Harold Nash were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous shower and dessert at Mrs. Bloom's home on Eldorado drive, July 19, honoring Doreen Jantz of Cadillac, fiancée of Douglas Gordon, of Glenwood drive.

Guests attending were Mrs. William Eller, Mrs. Leo Singer, Mrs. Arnold Bernson, Lillian Bernson, Mrs. Donald Miller, Mrs. David Miller, Mrs. Robert Busey, Mrs. Claude Porter, Mrs. Harry Hamill and Mrs. Emil Jantz.

Connie Brook of West California drive will spend two weeks beginning July 18, at Vill St. Anthony Camp Woodland at Comstock.

Dr. and Mrs. L. L. O'Connor and daughter, Patricia, have moved in their new home 27490 Goldengate drive. Son Gerald is home on a 12 day leave from the naval base at Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. P. L. Pritchett of Webb City, Mo. returned home the first

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of the week after a six week visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Pederson of Bungalow drive.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert W. Duncan of Goldengate drive entertained a bridge club with a barbecue steak dinner Wednesday evening. Guests were Dr. and Mrs. Paul Butcher, Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Funkey and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall.

Mrs. Harry Tracy recently moved to 18456 Saratoga drive from Flint. She is the mother of Mrs. Clara Smith of Lathrup.

Denise Pollard of Rackham drive left July 15, for ten days with Thoop St. Boz Scouts on a gypsy campout near Cadillac.

Dr. and Mrs. William Arvoon of Sunset drive visited their daughter, Mrs. Leon Worley, Decatur, Ill., and grandson, born July 2. The following week they attended the wedding of their son, Richard Penn, to Molly McClellan of Grand Rapids, July 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Turnage of Goldengate drive had as house guests Ann and Gene Turnage of Nashville, Tenn., last week.

Mrs. Ralph Clarke of Goldengate drive and niece, Judy Shumway, spent last week at their cottages.

Oak Bluff, at Casewille. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Marcot of Momence, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fortin of Kankakee, Ill., were guests for several days.

Mrs. Emil Jantz and daughter, Doreen, will be house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon of Glenwood drive for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Pollard and son, Terry, of Rackham drive spent eight days at Phil-De-Graf's lodge on Trout lake. Highlight of the trip was a roast pig dinner served July 4th, and a visit to Tahquamun Falls.

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