

Science Works Miracles Among Plants

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Many of our townpeople attended the Detroit flower show and were delighted to see many local entries among the arrangements. It was especially gratifying to see Scouts as well as junior gardeners enter plant exhibits in competition.

The Detroit department of parks and recreation had the finest exhibit I have ever seen at any of the national shows, with a restful design.

The Chrysler exhibit with a setting in the Snookies was well done and their labeling of wild flowers received a great deal of interest from all ages.

As a portion of those who plan the flower shows months in advance are readers of this column would like to toss into the hopper the idea of designing either front or rear terraces and adjoining flower beds.

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plant can be hurried through a growing cycle in order to give an earlier release to the consumer. This is very important in the commercial setting where crosses are constantly being made to remedy a poor production record.

THE FORMING of an onion and the development of strawberry runners are controlled by the hours of darkness.

Tropical sugarcane growers use light to prevent flowering of the sugar cane because after the cane begins to bud it ceases its growth.

YOU WILL have best germination results if you place delphinium seeds in the refrigerator for 10 days before planting.

If you expose your lettuce seed to a 60 watt bulb for two hours before planting the seeds will germinate and grow more rapidly.

IF YOU WANT to use the idea, try to plant before the leaves come out and select year-old stock. The fruit is borne on new shoots from buds formed on the previous year's vines.

Grapes should not be overlooked



Mrs. Burlingame

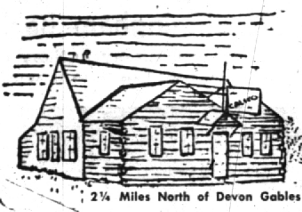


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Name New Group Charis After Aim

A new club in Birmingham has chosen the name Charis following the theme of the organizational purpose of aiding charity.

W. Golling, Jr., social secretary. The group, which began activities to raise funds for Oakland County Children's home with a tele-bridge recently, includes Mrs. Robert F. Murray, Mrs. John L. Christon, Mrs. Robert J. Drummond, Mrs. C. Watts Wacker, Patricia Sweeney, Mrs. Jack W. Waters, Mrs. Joe T. Atkins, Mrs. Norman M. Burruss, and Mrs. Stevenson P. Giffels. Three who are inactive, but members, are Mrs. Norman M. James, Jr., Mrs. Harold M. Watts, and Mrs. Robert M. Stroud.



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Dr. W. W. Whitehouse, president of Albion college, will be guest speaker at the annual dinner of the Albion college North Woodward Alumni association on April 19.

The dinner at the First Methodist church will be at 7 p.m., with alumni and friends invited to attend. Reservations are being taken by Mrs. John Seely, secretary, and Ames Gregory, Jr., president of the group.

Committee chairmen for the dinner are Mrs. Seely, Mrs. William Newman, Mrs. Richard Mangle, Neal McCue, Victor Peck and Gregory.

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