

Woman Says Growing Orchids Is Quite Easy

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One of the town's favorite gardeners, Mrs. Frank Webb, recently gave a program on the growing of lilies. Due to hybridizing varieties the last few years we have fine, disease resistant types ready to combine with other perennials to assure a dramatic effect in any garden.

Mrs. Webb emphasized five points as a guide for good lily growing:

Turn over the soil at least eight inches deep and be sure it is rich loam. The chosen location should have at least two-thirds of the day in full sun for best results. This site should be located so stalks are protected from wind damage.

Their feet like to be kept cool by a mulch covering.

As for food they should have a fertilizer with 5 per cent nitrogen, 10 per cent phosphorus, and 5 per cent potash.

Once I saw a local orchid grower who sprayed her plants with a mist two or three times a day which I have not tried, but I am sure it will be of some social use as well as variations.

Mrs. Corp just laughed and said she does not spray her 200 orchid plants and believes that many plants are lost by amateurs who water them too much.

Orchids like a cool room at night to assure an early start. An increased knowledge of their needs due to research has shown that the proper amount of sun and fertilizer are two factors which determine how soon seedlings will flower in nature.

As an illustration, cattleyas, the purple type you buy at the florist will now flower in four years from seed rather than seven years, before research showed growers the right culture. This knowledge is very important to a commercial grower.

In a large sunny bay of the master bedroom, facing south, Mrs. Corp has a flower cart with three shelves, the topmost level five feet from the floor. There you can see the majority of her orchids.

"If you were advising a new hobbyist how to grow orchids as a hobby, what would you suggest," we asked.

Mrs. Corp suggested that first one join the National Orchid Society which will mail a monthly magazine filled with important cultural news. A book she has enjoyed is "Home Orchid Growing," by Rebecca T. Northern.

Rose growers this year are eager to see the Queen Elizabeth, a new rose which is a cross between Charlotte Armstrong and the Floradora. The result has been a spectacular rose which has necessitated a new category of classification due to its performance. This category is called Grandiflora.

They were introduced before 1955. Buccaneer, Carrousel, Dean Collins.

It was Francis Meiland, famous French hybridizer of the famous Peace rose, who early in the introduction showed his prize specimen to King Edward. The king became enthusiastic about this fine rose and claimed it the greatest rose of a generation.

Today it is a rare garden flower that doesn't have the Peace rose in a well chosen place. No doubt its characteristic to surpass Mrs. Corp, gave us all an immense wish that this rose from France will carry a symbol of Peace for both continents.

The National Rose society recently sent out a bulletin stating the following roses should be in the new classification although both continents.

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Obeys Visit United Nations During Week in New York

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Obeys of Graefield road have returned home from a week's stay in New York City. While there they sat in at a conference at the United Nations. They were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Miller of suburban New Rochelle.

While in New York they had quarters at the Belmont Plaza hotel, and attended three plays, "Fun and Fancy," "The Boy Friend," "The Solid Gold Cadillac."

Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Gallagher, Jr., and son, 14-month-old Danny, left for Chicago. They will be the houseguests of the Gallagher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Gallagher, for three weeks. Gallagher's trip is strictly business for the McGraw Hill Publishing company. This is Danny's first trip.

NEW JERSEY TRIP
Mrs. Bernard W. Faye, and daughter, 7-month-old Elizabeth, journeyed to Newark N. J. last week. They will be the houseguests of Mrs. Faye's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bokerman, for five weeks.

Recent weekend houseguests at

Fairy Hat Shop", and Mrs. J. T. Shannon, troop leader, will stage a birth of a daughter, Nancy Anne, born Feb. 9, weighing at 7 lbs., 5 ozs. The couple's first child, Nancy made her debut at the Florence Crittenton hospital in Detroit.

FOUR GENERATIONS
Tomorrow four generations will celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Virgil E. Peters of Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. J. T. Shannon, and daughter, 3-year-old Jackie, of Graefield road will attend the birthday party of her grandmother at the home of Mrs. Shannon's mother, Mrs. Rachel Thomas of Detroit.

Proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Ford, Jr., announce the birth of a baby, shower last Tuesday evening at the Pembroke road home of Mrs. William B. Modrack. Among the guests were Mrs. Henry Palubin, Mrs. J. T. Shannon and Mrs. Eugene Pritchard of Graefield road.

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Have You Met
The William E. McCrauey family, who moved in late fall from Bloomfield township to 2752 Derby road? McCrauey is an aircraft engineer for the Holly Carborator company and his hobbies are wood working, flying and sailing. He is a graduate of University of Tennessee, where he was a Sigma Chi member. Dressed in the familiar Brownie uniform to become official Scouts were Ann Louise Patterson, 14 months old Mrs. McCrauey belongs to the Junior Women's club Marilyn Remas, Judy Miller, Lynn



Mrs. Burlingame

you can give them and remember to place the ashes, even in the winter, right on the final location due to snow and rain leeching out the goodness which you want to keep down into the earth.

TODAY I HAD a real treat as I studied the indoor gardening program of Mrs. Paul M. Corp on Lone Pine court.

Our hostess is an orchid fancier who has good results without the aid of a greenhouse and using only the conditions afforded within her home. "How did you become interested in orchids," we asked Mrs. Corp.

"I went to the library and became interested in a book telling about raising orchids about five

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