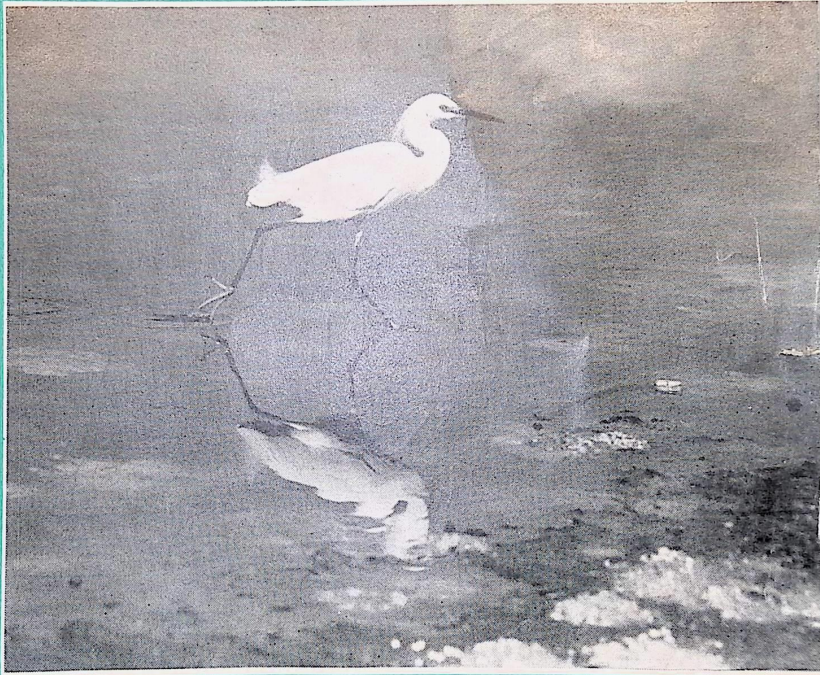


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I—DeFuniak SpringsApril 25	VII—SanfordMay 8
II—BonifayApril 26	VIII—SarasotaMay 9
III—CarrabelleApril 27	IX—WauchulaMay 10
IV—Green Cove SpringsMay 5	X—Delray BeachMay 3
V—Cross CityApril 28	XI—Lighthouse PointMay 2
VI—DeBaryMay 4	XII—MiamiMay 1

COMING EVENTS

- March 2-4—Landscape Design School, Course IV—Headquarters, Winter Park
 March 7—Judges Council Meeting—Tallahassee
 March 9-11—South Atlantic Region 1961 Convention—Mobile, Ala.
 April 12-14—35th Annual Convention of Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.—
 St. Petersburg
 April 23-29—Blanche Covington Nature Study Course—Hugh Taylor Birch Park—Ft.
 Lauderdale
 April 27—Reading Examination for Flower Show Schools
 May 14-19—32nd Annual Convention of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.—
 Philadelphia, Pa.
 June 12-30—6th Conservation Workshop—Fla. State University
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THE COVER

THE SNOWY EGRET

This small heron with golden feet was once almost exterminated by greed. Its delicate recurved plumes sold for twice their weight in gold, and thoughtless women throughout the world coveted them.

Lovely plumes reached perfection at breeding season, when egrets gathered in colonies to nest. Their nests, eggs and young were an irresistible magnet that pulled them to the colony in the face of mortal danger. Thus plume hunters could shoot out an entire colony in a single raid. Eggs were left to cook in the sun and the young to die of starvation, or they met a quicker death in the grip of a hungry predator. Plumes of dead egrets were cut off in what was called a 'scalp' and the mangled body thrown away.

Concerted action by aroused conservationists early in this century resulted in laws protecting egrets and all migratory birds. In spite of this, plume wars continued for many years and many a law-enforcement officer was injured or killed by the hands of the greedy plume hunters.

Public opinion caused women to repudiate wearing egret plumes and markets vanished. Once more the snowy egret is abundant — and safe — in Florida and all over this continent. The concerted public opinion which saved the egret from extinction may be able to save other species such as the bald eagle. Let us hope that women of Florida and the nation are ready to accept the challenge.

Photograph by Allan D. Cruickshank



**O'er The
Editor's Shoulder**

Since this is the final article in the series FROM ALL POINTS, club news contributed by District Associated Editors and edited by Mrs. Marshall DeWitt, we express grateful thanks to those who so faithfully reported: Mrs. W. F. Woodley, Mrs. J. T. Sewell, Mrs. H. J. Scofield, Mrs. L. T. Neiland, Mrs. R. Hussey, Mrs. A. Curry, Mrs. N. Shenk, Mrs. H. E. Glidewell, Mrs. E. Davis, Mrs. W. Loftus, Mrs. E. R. Greenfield and Mrs. W. M. Boozer.

Very special thanks to Mrs. DeWitt who ingeniously condensed tons of material submitted by 1077 Clubs *who make the news!* "Armchair Gardening," her column of book reviews has been especially interesting.

Miss Celia Grant and Mrs. Graham King, Special Plant Societies and Horticulture Editors, have written splendid articles for each issue. A multitude of letters attest to their popularity.

These 3 excellent writers have contributed great value to our publication and are to be commended for effort and achievement.

The Staff appreciates pictures and items sent by many readers throughout the state . . . just wish we had a "page stretcher"! We regret so much excellent material had to be cut or omitted because of space.

May-June issue, primarily a summary of outstanding accomplishments of this enthusiastic administration, is a tribute to the membership who made the record possible.

Hazel Emory Dunlap

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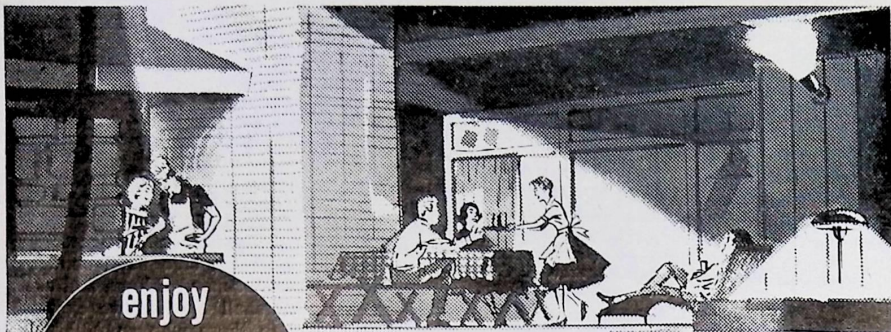
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Greetings

Dear Garden Club Members:

Time draws near the end of this administration. We wish to express sincere appreciation to the very fine, able Officers, Board members and to each garden club member for their contributions and for their devotion to the objectives of our Federation. Most of our goals have been reached. "The one who succeeds is the one who does as much today as he plans to do tomorrow."

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the dedication of the Headquarters. It was a memorable occasion.

Those interested in attending the Blanche Covington Nature Study Camp which will be held in the unique Hugh Taylor Birch State Park on the beach at Fort Lauderdale should contact the director of your district. Mrs. Thomas Peacock and Mrs. A. F. Christopher have planned an interesting and informative course.

We are grateful to Mrs. Frank W. Hewlett, Editor and Mrs. H. E. Jahns, Treasurer, for their splendid work in producing and merchandising the 1960-1961 Calendar. We continue to receive complimentary messages about them and only a few more are available.

The booklet "Fun With Birds in Florida" edited by Mrs. Allen D. Cruickshank is receiving favorable reviews throughout the country. The profit will be used for the conservation building project at the Junior Nature Camp. This is a worthwhile project for educating youth in nature, conservation, horticulture, and countless other important phases. Do order your copy today. The cost is only \$1.50, available from the Headquarters, Box 1604, Winter Park.

The Botany booklet written by Mrs. W. C. Knox and published for us by the Department of Agriculture will be available by convention time. Mrs. Graham W. King, Horticulture Chairman and Miss Celia Grant, Special Plant Societies Chairman have provided excellent horticultural information in the Florida Gardener. We hope that you have been using this material and that you will make it a point to let all chairmen know of their service to you or your club, if they have been of assistance to you.

We extend to you a cordial invitation to attend the Convention in St. Petersburg, April 12-14. We are honored that our National Council President, Mrs. Jamie L. Johnson and our South Atlantic Region Director, Mrs. E. N. Merriwether will be our guests. The well rounded program features outstanding speakers, symposiums, panels, workshop and clinic planned for your enjoyment and information. Mrs. John W. Cummings and her committee are working tirelessly in making this one of the very best conventions. We look forward to greeting you there.

"Look to this day! For it is life, the very life of life. In its brief course lie all the verities and realities of your existence: The bliss of growth, the glory of action, the splendor of beauty, for yesterday is but a dream and tomorrow is only a vision; but today well-lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow a vision of hope. Look well therefore to this day!" "Tomorrow" from the Sanskrit.

Most sincerely,

Fay M. Mayer

Splinters From the Board

The mid-winter Board of Directors meeting was held at the State Headquarters in Winter Park, February 2-3, 1961. A delicious luncheon and dinner was served by the Garden Club of Winter Park.

Lack of space prevents details of committee reports, but the following announcements are called to your attention.

Mrs. A. B. Rood was approved as Assistant Director of District I.

Members planning to attend South Atlantic Regional and National Council Conventions are requested to designate whether they are an officer, board member, delegate or alternate so badges can be provided.

Send Flower Show schedules, regardless of how old they are, to Mrs. Louis Oakley, World Gardening Chairman for our friends in other countries.

A file of nearest of kin of Past Presidents is being prepared. Send records to Mrs. E. O. Williams, Corresponding Secretary.

A few 1961 Flower Arrangement Calendars are available from Mrs. Frank Hewlett, 2406 S.W. 23rd Terrace, Miami.

The President of Costa Rica's wife and 40 Garden Club friends are attending our state convention, as part of their tour of Florida.

Savannah Harbor must be dredged and spoils are to be dumped on the Refuge for Wildlife. Send a protest to Senator Holland, Smathers and Bennett, Washington 25, D.C. Also to Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and U.S. Corp. of Engineers, Washington, D.C. Please lend a hand—with pen in

hand to help protect the Natural areas in our nation!

A much needed piano has been donated to the Youth Conservation Camp in Ocala National Forest...now a dock is badly needed. Volunteers are needed to serve as Nurse, Counselors and a musician to play the piano.

Mrs. W. S. Miller received the Regional Forestry Award, presented by Governor Farris Bryant at a banquet in Tallahassee on February 25th.

Mrs. Riley Moffett, District I. Director and Mrs. Jack W. Dunlap, First vice-president, have received Life Memberships in National Council.

Any Club wishing to honor a member, or any individual desiring to become a State or National Life Member is urged to contact Mrs. M. S. Dillingham at once, as it takes time to process them before Convention.

Another Blue Star Memorial Marker will be dedicated at Pompano Beach on May 3rd.

COLD TOLERANCE RESEARCH booklets are available to Clubs and Circles for 10¢ each, and to individuals for 25¢. No profit is being made, the charge is for handling and postage.

The May-June issue of The Florida Gardener, primarily a Yearbook edition, will show by the Committee Chairmen reports how very busy each department of the Garden Club has been during this administration. Officers, District Directors and Chairmen are to be commended upon their enthusiasm and sincere endeavor.

The Gainesville Garden Club donated \$44.10 and \$500.00 was transferred to the Conservation Camp Building Fund making a total of approximately \$10,000.00 in the account. It is hoped that the goal can be reached and the building constructed before the camping season starts in June.

Mr. Freddie Peterson, noted artist from Zephyrhills, presented a handsome oil painting for the President's office in the Headquarters building. The Federation is most grateful.

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State Headquarters Formally Opened, Dedicated

By MRS. MELVILLE HALL

Dreams came true for thousands of garden club members on Feb. 2 with the dedication and formal opening of their official home—state headquarters of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., in Mead Garden at Winter Park.

Mrs. Earl W. Lau of Winter Park was chairman of the event and Mrs. Volie A. Williams, Jr., of Sanford, co-chairman. Mrs. Fred Ganas and members of the Garden Club of Sanford made corsages for the dignitaries in attendance.

With Mrs. Truman Green of Tampa in charge of decorations, the Federation's top arrangers complemented the decor of each room with appropriate floral designs.

Assisting were Mrs. Bonnie Parsons of Tampa, Mrs. Ben McCormick of Ponte Vedra Beach, Mrs. Ira J. Varnedoe of Jacksonville, Mrs. J. A. Franquiz of Tampa, Mrs. A. R. Mullins of Deland, Mrs. Jack White of Live Oak, Mrs. L. G. Stallkamp of St. Petersburg, and Mrs. W. R. Jefferis of Orlando.

A chorus including Mrs. Luther K. Jennings, Mrs. Sherman Peiffer, Mrs. Donald Edwards, and Mrs. William Rowland, with Mrs. Freda Hilton as accompanist, sang "In A Garden," composed by Mrs. J. Park Stewart of Orlando Garden Club especially for the dedication, and "Bless This House" on the musical portion of the program arranged by Mrs. Julian Laughinghouse of Orlando.

Miss Mary S. Compton of Orlando, past state president, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. State President Mrs. C. R. Mayes, Jr., extended greetings.

Mrs. John R. Parkinson of Daytona Beach, a past state president, made introductions. Other program participants included Mrs. Arthur F. Coe, Jacksonville, secretary of the headquarters and endowment committee; Mrs. Jack W. Dunlap of Orange Park and Mrs. Melville Hall of Zephyrhills, FFGC vice presidents.

Mrs. Vernon L. Conner of Mount Dora, chairman of the headquarters and endowment committee and immediate past state president, who envisioned the headquarters, paid tribute to officials of the City of Winter Park, to George Morrison of Maitland who was the first substantial contributor to the project, George Tuttle as architect, Robert Rumpf as contractor, Charles Sprietsma as interior designer with George Stuart Co., and all who helped bring the headquarters dream into reality.

A surprise feature of the program was the presentation by Mrs. Daniel H. Bishop, president of Lakes and Hills Garden Club of Mount Dora, of an oil portrait of Mrs. Conner to be hung in the headquarters building.

District VII chairmen and club presidents presented a table for the secretary's office honoring Mrs. Lau, district director and vice-chairman of the headquarters and endowment committee.

Florida's Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner gave the dedicatory address. He lauded garden clubs of Florida for having "contributed much to the beauty of our land" through roadside development, litterbug, Blue Star Memorial Highways and related programs. Recalling the federation's objectives he said "few other groups are quite so dedicated to the cause of preserving and enhancing the natural beauty of Florida."

Mrs. Charles B. Nettleton of Covington, Va., first vice president of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., introduced by Mrs. Eugene A. Smith of Miami, past state president, dedicated the headquarters building to "The Glory of God, and in grateful appreciation of His manifold expressions of beauty. . . to the useful purposes of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs in its services to the communities of the State of Florida, and to its contributions to the beauty of our nation, realizing, as we do, the legacy of past devoted members and recognizing the faith, loyalty, devotion, and sacrificial giving of means and self of the 30,779 members of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. God Bless this House!"

The Reverends Oswald Delgado and Lane A. Patrick, both of Winter Park, gave the invocation and the dedication prayer respectively.

Homemade cookies were provided from each District, sandwiches were supplied by District VII and presidents of District VII Clubs served in the kitchen.

Mrs. H. N. Challis of Winter Park made the 30-yard white with gold threads cloth used on the refreshment table. Members of the FFGC Board of Directors were hostesses.

The First Twenty-five Years Are The Easiest

Mrs. Charles R. Mayes, Jr., President of Florida Federation honored at Stuart Garden Club Silver anniversary tea given by Mrs. Willaford R. Leach.



Reading from left to right, Mrs. Jack Dunlap, 1st Vice President, Florida Federation of Garden Clubs; Mrs. Charles R. Mayes, Jr., President of Florida Federation of Garden Clubs; Mrs. Willaford R. Leach, Founder and Life President of Stuart Garden Club; Mrs. William C. Armor, President of Stuart Garden Club, Mrs. Ernest Davis, Associate Editor of "Florida Gardener."

"La Fontana", the beautiful oceanfront home of Mr. and Mrs. Willaford Leach in Palm Beach was the setting for a delightful party honoring Mrs. C. R. Mayes Jr., state president and the Silver Anniversary of the Stuart Garden Club on January 10th. Mrs. Leach is Founder and Life President of the Stuart Garden Club.

About 400 guests from all parts of the country attended the event, including the past presidents of the Stuart Garden Club; Mrs. John E. Taylor, Mrs. Harry H. Hipson, Mrs. Leon E. Ashley, Mrs. Harry Swing-lehurst, Mrs. Edwin A. Menninger, Mrs. Howard W. Neail, Mrs. Hugh L. Willoughby, Mrs. Richard G. Hupfel and Mrs. R. Cecil Johns.

Mrs. William C. Armor, President, presided. Mayor Claude Reese of Palm Beach gave the welcome and Mrs. Ernest Davis, Associate Editor of the *Florida Gardener* responded. Mrs. Dennis Hudson introduced the Charter members present.

Mrs. Mayes, guest speaker, gave an interesting talk, "The Second Milestone", complimenting the Stuart Garden Club on the role it played in the history of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. The Stuart Garden Club presented the state president with a hand wrought jewel case decorated with the National Council Seal.

Mrs. Leach was praised for her great

"Beneath the Surface of Modern Design" is the title of Mrs. Jack White's program presented to Florida Council of Flower Show Judges who meet in Tallahassee, March 7th.

Mrs. Charles Blanchard of Pensacola, presented \$250.00 to Headquarters Fund and \$250.00 to Conservation Building Fund as a profit from her programs given throughout the state.

ability as an organizer and for her leadership and inspiration throughout the 25 years. She was presented with a handsome silver bowl. Mrs. Leach presented a silver money tree hung with 25 silver dollars to the Stuart Garden Club.

The ocean front home of Mr. and Mrs. Leach is one of the early masterpieces of Mr. Mizner, the noted architect. Throughout the large living room, halls and loggia were magnificent flower arrangements made by members of Stuart and West Palm Beach Garden Clubs. The dining room featured pink and silver with the twenty foot banquet table, made in 1600, covered with an exquisite lace cloth; a memorable centerpiece of pink snapdragons, carnations and roses was flanked by silver candelabras. Large silver punch bowls were at either end of the table and refreshments were all decorated with a pink perriwinkle crest.

Among the honored guests were State and National Council officers, District Directors and Governing Board members not only from all parts of Florida and Georgia, but as far as the New England Region of National Council. It was, indeed, an impressive occasion which shall be long remembered.

Submitted by Mrs. Ernest Davis,
Assoc. Editor

PLAN NOW TO COME TO THE SHORT COURSE

Plan now to attend the 1961 Short Course for Gardeners at University of Florida, June 20-22nd. Mrs. Frank Brown, Chairman, and Mrs. Edith McBride Cameron, Director of General Extension Division have planned for excellent programs and every convenience in housing, transportation and meals while you are on campus. Programs will be available at Convention and complete details will appear in the May-June Florida Gardener.

March 25th—Tag Day For Conservation Camp!

National Wildlife Week has been declared by Governor Farris Bryant for March 19-25, 1961. On the last day of this event Garden Club members all over the state will be out selling tags to fellow citizens and conservationists who realize the importance of our balance of nature, and most important, providing an adequately equipped Conservation Camp in Ocala National Forest for the proper training of our youth of the state. . . the hunters, fishermen and naturalists of tomorrow!

Enlist the aid of some of the young folks in your community, place them in prominent spots, give them a stack of tags, and watch the wonderful project of our President, Fay Mayes, grow from the very ground up in one day. *It can be done, and we should do it!*

Send now for your tags from Mr. Denver Ste. Claire, Youth Conservation Camp, Ocala, Florida. Do it today! Don't wait for someone else in your area to take the leadership in this vital project. Every member is a Chairman and every cent collected, be it through penny jars or tag day will be gratefully received and put to valuable use. Invest in the future of your state by constructive action today.

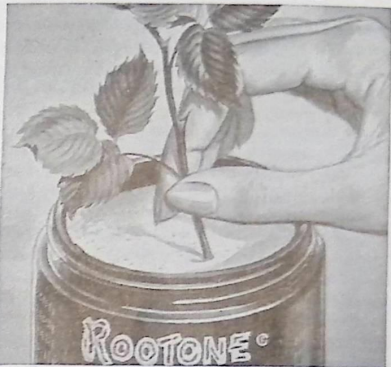
Next month we hope to tell you about the plans for the Conservation Camp building and details of attendance of both Counselors, girls and boys at the Camp on Lake Eaton, in Ocala National Forest. Mrs. W. S. Miller, Bartow, is Chairman.

1. Write Florida Game and Fresh Water Commission for tags and information—they are free.
2. Alert your city through newspaper, T.V. and radio publicity.
3. Contact firms and individuals—many will contribute.
4. On Saturday, have your Juniors out en masse with Seniors selling Tags, tags and more tags!
5. Send 1/2 the money collected to Florida Fresh Water Commission in Ocala, and other half to Mrs. Carrol Griffin, Ocean Air Court, Jacksonville Beach, Florida and mark it **FOR CONSERVATION BUILDING.**

LANDSCAPE DESIGN FORUM—Mounts Building, West Palm Beach, April 18th. Speakers will be Mrs. G. O. Gjoerloff, Landscape Architect; William Dale, West Palm Beach City Planner and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Vaughn with an Orchid Program. The Forum will begin at 10:00 a.m. and all Garden Club members are invited to attend.

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There has been great improvement over last years reports and we sincerely hope this enthusiasm will carry over into the new administration and that there will be 'No Stopping' the Juniors in the years ahead!

Not only are we more aware of Conservation as it relates to Nature and Wildlife but also as it relates to our Youth. It is one thing to say that the future of our nation depends on our Youth but it is another thing to PREPARE our Youth for that responsibility and the Junior Leaders of Florida are accepting this challenge.

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MISS CELIA GRANT, *Special Plant Societies Chairman*

"NOW — GROW ORCHIDS"

BY VARINA WEBB VAUGHN

So you enjoy growing plants, you take pride in their robust good health, and rejoice in the beauty of their blossoming? Of course you do, or you would not be a good Garden Club member. Your interest in all growing things has probably acquainted you with many plant families but if you have not included orchids, you have omitted the genus which enjoys the same supremacy in the plant kingdom as does man in the animal. Among all the delights of gardening, there is no thrill quite like that of watching the unfolding of the first orchid blossom whose flowering has been the culmination of your own growing of the plant.

No plant family has been so avidly sought after, so universally admired, so much the victim of popular mis-conception. Worshipped by people of earlier times, occasionally used as food or medicine, elusive will-o-the-wisp that lured many plant explorers to their deaths from fever or at the hand of affronted natives, orchids became legendary plants to be grown only by the initiated. This attitude was as well, as plants were few and very expensive. Since nature kept to herself the secret of germinating any great number of seed once the plant had been removed from its habitat on tree or rock.

Within recent years, however, a way has been found to germinate these fine-as-dust seeds and, some years ago, the flowering plant that you may now admire was a green dot on the surface of an agar solution in a stoppered glass container. It does take a considerable time for this miracle of maturity to take place, but this is true of many other plants as well and which of these will live as long as the orchid, continuing to renew itself and flower in regular succession, as long as it receives proper care?

As the supply of plants increased, prices came within easy reach of the amateur gardener and "secrets" of growing these exotics were shown not to have been secrets at all but common sense procedures based upon an understanding of the plants' manner of growing in nature.

Most genera of orchids grown in Florida are found in the equatorial zones at moderate altitudes, high in the treetops or perching upon rocks. They are epiphytic, that is, they take nothing from their hosts, as do parasitic plants. The white, fleshy roots have a spongy covering which absorbs nutrients derived from air, rain, dust and debris. Knowing this, it is easy to understand why the grower is told that orchids must be potted in a material which drains readily, that they must be given fresh air and adequate light, that they must be watered thoroughly and then allowed to dry thoroughly before the next watering. The roots themselves indicate whether this cycle is being properly maintained—firm and white, some with shining green tips, all is well; brown and soft, danger signals that may indicate a too free use of one of the orchids arch enemies, a water hose. With little more knowledge than this, a few orchids may be added to the Florida Gardener's plant collection. The writer knows, however, that any real gardener's interest in a new field will make him want to become more so, and that phase will be touched upon presently.

Plants grown on treetops in equatorial regions might be expected to grow with a minimum of housing in the frost-free parts of Florida. And so they do. Cattleyas, Vandas, certain types of Dendrobiums and a variety of botanicals—so called because of their smaller flowers—will grow year round under trees that are sparsely foliated, attached to trees, or even used as bedding plants, with proper provision for drainage. Farther north, they must be brought inside during the winter or grown in a small greenhouse which can be planned as a feature of the landscaping. Houses built of slats or covered with plastic shading are often used instead of glass houses. A removable polyethylene covering gives protection from moderate drops in temperature and a small fume-free heating unit takes care of cold spells. Many begin with the simplest of housing arrangements and, as their interest grows, they improve their facilities.

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MRS. ROARK, *Chairman*

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Alabama Line..... April 28, 1958</p> <p>11. St. Petersburg..... May 21, 1958</p> <p>12. Boca Raton..... June 4, 1958</p> <p>13. Quincy..... November 3, 1958</p> <p>14. Marianna..... November 3, 1958</p> <p>15. Tallahassee..... March 12, 1959</p> <p>16. Sarasoto..... March 26, 1959</p> <p>17. Chattahoochee..... April 20, 1959</p> <p>18. Clearwater..... December 15, 1959</p> <p>19. Belleair..... March 30, 1960</p> <p>20. DeLand..... April 6, 1960</p> <p>21. Milton..... April 25, 1960</p> <p>22. Tampa..... May 20, 1960</p> <p>23. Jacksonville Beach..... June 18, 1960</p> <p>24. Jacksonville..... September 22, 1960</p> | <p>25. Perry..... October 26, 1960</p> <p>26. Cottondale..... October 31, 1960</p> <p>27. Fort Walton Beach... October 31, 1960</p> <p>28. Laguna Beach..... November 2, 1960</p> <p>29. Delray Beach..... Date to be set</p> <p>30. Sanford..... Date to be set</p> <p>31. Chipley..... Date to be set</p> <p><i>On Highway #1</i></p> <p>1. Jacksonville</p> <p>2. Jacksonville Beach</p> <p>3. St. Augustine</p> <p>4. Daytona Beach</p> <p>5. Cocoa</p> <p>6. Eau Gallie</p> <p>7. Melbourne</p> <p>8. Delray Beach</p> <p>9. Boca Raton</p> <p>10. Pompano Beach</p> <p>11. Miami</p> <p>12. Key West</p> <p><i>On Highway #41</i></p> <p>1. Sarasoto</p> <p><i>On Highway 19 & 19A</i></p> <p>1. St. Petersburg</p> <p>2. Belleair</p> <p>3. Clearwater</p> |
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TREES, SHRUBS AND VINES

A *tree*, in a strict sense, is a woody plant with a single stem or trunk, usually without branches to a height of 8 to 10 feet, but crowded at the top with spreading branches. The evergreen trees are an exception to the latter part of the definition for here we find close-set branches from the ground up.

Trees may be divided into two broad main classes: evergreen and deciduous. Evergreen trees hold their foliage—which may be either needle-shaped or broad-leaved—throughout the year. Deciduous trees shed their foliage in the fall.

Broadly speaking, both evergreen and deciduous fall into two divisions: the columnar and the spreading types. In the columnar type the leading bud of the main stem grows faster than the side shoots, thus producing a slim, upright form such as the poplar, or one broad at the old base but progressively narrowing toward the top such as the Arbor Vitae or Norfolk Island Pine. The spreading type is seen in the familiar live oak and rubber trees in which the horizontal dimension of the branches is often greater than the height of the tree.

Trees are used for many purposes in landscaping; for shade, background, accent, contrast, texture, interest, fruit, or for color as found in many of our beautiful flowering trees. Be sure you study well the form and habits of the trees you choose before planting them on your property for, otherwise, they may become hazardous and present a problem rather than a comfort and joy. By allowing enough space for their ultimate growth, drastic pruning will not become necessary.

Young trees require frequent watering and fertilizing until their roots become well established and run deep enough to provide the necessary food and water. After the average tree becomes mature there is very little care necessary for its well being.

What greater privilege and satisfaction could a gardener ask than that of planting a slender sapling in the knowledge that, given a little care and attention, it will grow on through the ages giving pleasure, protection, and comfort to generation after generation?

A *shrub* is a woody plant of bushy habit in varying sizes, developing several stems instead of a single trunk, as does a tree.

Considering the character of shrubs and their importance in the garden and landscape picture, less imagination has been displayed in the selection and arrangement of shrubs than in that of any other group of plants. Each shrub has a value for some particular use and place, but when planted without regard to position, or harmonious arrangement, a pleasing result can scarcely be expected.

Shrubs appreciate a thorough preparation of the soil in which they are to be planted. Allow ample room in the hole and mix well some organic matter in the form of manure or leafmold and peat. The shrubs are likely to be in their station for a long time, and feeding should be taken care of from time to time when they are established.

The wealth of material makes the selection of shrubs a matter for careful study. The proper spacing will depend of course on the ultimate size. It will vary from 2 to 3 feet with the smaller growers, up to 6 feet or more for the more vigorous kinds.

The general appearance and well being of shrubs depend on pruning. Study the habits of the individual kind before beginning a pruning operation. Too often the natural form is marred by a general trimming instead of a judicious thinning out of old wood sufficient to keep up a renewal of vigorous young growth. In dealing with neglected or overgrown specimens it is sometimes necessary to be very drastic, and to cut everything back to within 1 to 3 feet of the ground just before growth starts. Shrubs which flower before midsummer should be pruned immediately after flowering. Those which flower later need pruning before growth starts, as the flowers are borne on wood of the current season's growth.

Among the various purposes for which shrubs can be used are: to clothe a high wall; carpet the ground; screen out unsightly objects; group together for mass effects or display individual beauty as a single specimen; in hedge form; and to cheer with brightly colored leaves, flowers or berries. There are shrubs for both shady and sunny spots. Surely no other class of plant offers so wide a range of opportunity.

A *vine* is a climbing, trailing, or creeping plant the stem of which requires support. Vines are useful, not only to cling to masonry or wooden walls and fences, but for

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Do-It-Yourself Gardening

NORTH FLORIDA

Some plants may have been killed to the ground. These plants may produce new growth from below ground level, so allow adequate time before digging and discarding. Spray roses weekly for black-spot. Captan or phaltan may be used.

CENTRAL FLORIDA

Keep dead flowers picked off all spring blooming annuals if you wish to keep them blooming for another month or so. If allowed to go to seed, they are finished.

Double or triple your water supply on daylilies, you will get more bloom and they will multiply faster. Add some newer colors while you can see the bloom.

Thin out and transplant chrysanthemums.

To prevent rust-like fungus on Frangipani spray with fermate as a preventive rather than as a cure.

SOUTH FLORIDA

Most tropical plants can be safely put in after the middle of March, but be prepared to water. Wait until April to plant tender palms.

Cut back poinsettias and make cuttings.

Watch for aphids on new citrus growth and underside of leaves on vegetables and annuals. Spray when indicated with malathion.

Go after grasshoppers with toxaphene, and caterpillars with toxaphene or D.D.T.

Prune early flowering plants soon after flowers die. This gives the plant a chance to produce new shoots resulting in more bud and flower formation the next season.



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Decorating for a Convention is a tremendous undertaking as many of us will agree, but to undertake the arrangements for a Convention for the Blind is indeed a real challenge.

It was as beautifully and as meticulously designed as it would be for sighted persons. But scented flowers, such as frangipani, stephanotis, gardenias and roses were combined. Tropical fruits, carambolas, barbados cherries, litchi and carrisa (with thorns removed) were at each place to be eaten. Interesting scented plants and leaf conformation were also used. Of greatest importance, the specimens used were numbered, with names and description printed in braille.

Those attending the banquet were greatly excited and so ardently interested in exploring the lovely settings that with sensitive fingers, appreciative minds and grateful hearts, they truly loved each inch of the decorations. Although the arrangements were soon in shambles, the memory of that beautiful evening will live in many a heart in the days to come.

The South Florida Garden Club, Mrs.

Goodyear Sicard and The Boy Scouts of America are to be warmly and sincerely commended for this project. They have proved that "In the world of beauty and art there are no barriers to understanding and cooperation."

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Stimulated by the appreciation of those who do not see the world as we do, the Banquet for the Blind was but a stepping stone to further developments in their behalf.

Initiated by the South Miami Garden Club, the first plan was to clear the lot adjacent and plant shrubs. Publicity from Miami Daily News paved the way for a community project. Many firms and unions donated funds and labor for plans which were drawn by an outstanding landscape architect. More than \$10,000.00 was raised from a variety of projects for every age group. The immediate need is for a slat house so that our blind friends may use their hands in a wonderful effort to help these people to help themselves. That is important.



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TUESDAY, APRIL 11

- 2:00—8:00 p.m. Registration
2:00—4:00 p.m. Pre-convention Board meeting—Florida Room
3:00—5:00 p.m. Events for members:
3:00 p.m. Corsage Workshop—Park Room (National Corsage Club)
4:00 p.m. Parliamentary Law Clinic—Palm Room
7:30 p.m. Executive Board Dinner—Garden Club of St. Petersburg

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

- 8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Registration
5:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Polls open
7:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m. President's Breakfast—Ball Room
Program: "The Wings of the Morning"—Mrs. E. O. Williams;
Mrs. Arthur F. Coe and Mrs. Charles H. Blanchard
9:30 a.m. Opening Business Session—Pier, Mrs. C. R. Mayes presiding
11:00 a.m. *Program:* Mr. Allan Cruickshank, "River of the Crying Birds"
12:45 p.m. Luncheon—Ballroom
Program: Mrs. Fred Mauntel, "Footprints on the Sands"
3:00—4:15 p.m. Horticulture Symposium
4:15—5:30 p.m. Flower Shows, Schools, Judges
7:30 p.m. Banquet—Ballroom. *Program:* The Royal Hawaiian Revue
Dr. John Bevan; "Gardening — A Key to Creative
Normalcy."

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

- Polls open—8:00—9:30 a.m. and 5:30—6:00 p.m.
8:00 - 9:15 a.m.—Three concurrent Symposiums
Palm Room—Juniors, High School Gardeners, Junior Nature Camp
Park Room—Roadside Development, Blue Star Markers, Parks & Memorials
Florida Room—Garden Centers, Libraries, Short Course, Information & History
10:00 a.m. Business Session (Continued)—Pier Auditorium
Program: Mr. Donald Sultner-Welles, "Gardens-Maine to Florida"
12:30 p.m. Luncheon—Ball Room
Program: Mr. Paul Bruce Dowling, "Nature Was Given to Florida in Trust"
3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Symposium—Pier Auditorium
Conservation; Mrs. W. H. Croke, "Our Challenge"
4:15—5:30 p.m. Garden Therapy, Public Relations, World Gardening
7:30 p.m. Banquet—Ball Room. *Program:* The Baker's Dozen, Glee Club
Mr. William Gove, "YOU are Better Than You Think"
Award Presentation

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

- 8:00—9:15 a.m. Three concurrent Symposiums
Palm Room—"Fund Raising Tips"—Panel
Park Room—Landscape Design, Legislation, Visiting and Memorial Gardens
Florida Room—Programs, Radio and T.V., Publicity
10:00 a.m. Business Session (Continued)—Pier Auditorium
Program: Mr. Larry O'Dea, "The American Youth at a Conservation Camp"
12:30 p.m. Luncheon. *Program:* Mrs. E. N. Merriwether, "Protecting our Treasures."
3:30—5:30 p.m. Flower Arrangement Demonstration—Pier Auditorium
Mrs. Hugh Sutherland, "Interpretative Design With a Flair"
7:30 p.m. Banquet. *Program:* Musical Duet
Mrs. Jamie Johnson, "Bringing in the Sheaves"
Installation and Reception

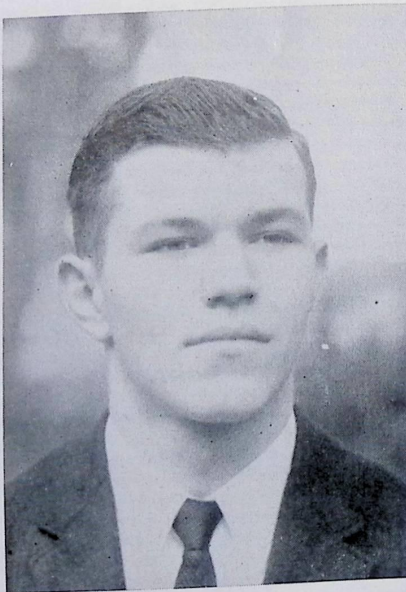
SATURDAY, APRIL 15

- 9:00 a.m. Post-convention Board meeting—Palm Room

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DONALD SULTNER-WELLES



LARRY O'DEA

A student at Leon High School, Tallahassee, Larry O'Dea is vice president of the Forensic League, member of "L" Club, National Thespian Society and Debating team. He served as a counselor at the Youth Conservation camp for the past two years. "The American Youth at a Conservation Camp" will be the subject of his talk at Convention.

Famed color photographer, Donald Sultner-Welles, recently returned from a nine month U. S. State Department sponsored world tour, will speak before the Florida Federation of Garden Club Convention on April 13, 1961. Mr. Sultner-Welles, a native of Pennsylvania, did both undergraduate and graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania. A lifetime interest in the arts has led him not only to study but to participate creatively in various arts, including music, drama and architecture. In 1954 his first talk on gardens was given before the Worcester Horticultural Society and was an immediate success.

Since that time he has given presentations in thirty-five states of the United States and in nearly thirty countries around the world. He has been the ONLY photographer from any country ever to be sponsored on a world tour by the U.S. State Department, and the ONLY photographer from ANY country to be officially entertained by the West German government. In 1960 Mr. Sultner-Welles appeared for the first time at the annual Colonial Williamsburg Garden Symposium, was a featured speaker for the National Convention of the State Council of Garden Clubs meeting in Houston, Texas, and opened the 87th season of Chautauqua, N.Y., before 5,000 people.

During his nine months world tour of 20 countries, Donald Sultner-Welles was able to visit many unusual gardens in Europe and in such countries as Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, Korea, Japan, Malaya, India, and has been the only photographer ever allowed to photograph the Saadabad Gardens of the Shah's summer palace outside Teheran. "The lyrical composition is fascinating in these pictures, which in some cases reaches the highest accomplishment and thus ranks with the photo literature of the world. . . ."

ATTENTION—DELEGATES ALTERNATES

Article IX Sec. 1: Those entitled to cast electoral votes at the Annual Convention shall be members of the State Board of Directors and all authorized delegates or their alternates from member Clubs.

Article VII Sec. 4: states: "The names of delegates and alternates shall be sent to the Convention Registration Chairman by the Secretaries of their respective Clubs and Circles ten (10) days prior to the Annual Convention.

Mrs. Carrol Griffin
Treasurer, F.F.G.C.

Wildlife Adventurer

Allan D. Cruickshank has crawled, climbed and flown to almost every part of North America, observing wildlife in remote habitats as well as urban areas. Armed with movie camera, tripod and blind, Mr. Cruickshank has crouched for hours in a deserted attic to photograph the monkey-faced barn owl and scaled the perilous cliffs of Bonaventure Island off the Gaspé Peninsula to get intimate studies in a colony of 20,000 gannets.

He often supplements his all-color motion pictures with imitations of the bird's own calls and songs. *The New Yorker Magazine* once carried a story about a group of bird watchers in Central Park who excitedly recorded the year's first rose-breasted grosbeak song, which proved to be a "Cruickshank" call instead!

Mr. Cruickshank was graduated from New York University where he majored in biology and public speaking. Before becoming an official lecturer of the National Audubon Society and bird instructor at its camp in Maine, Mr. Cruickshank taught in nature camps and was on the staff of the American Museum of Natural History. His Audubon Society work was interrupted during World War II. He spent two years overseas in the news section of the Army Pictorial Service. In 1946, Mr. Cruickshank returned to the staff of the National Audubon Society to carry on his brilliant work as instructor, photographer, lecturer and editor of the Society's Christmas Bird Count issue of *Audubon Field Notes*. He and his wife, Helen Cruickshank, were awarded the John Burroughs Medal in 1949 for their book, *Flight into Sunshine*. He has served as president of the Linnaean Society and is a full member of the American Ornithologists' Union.

For fifteen successive years, Allan Cruickshank's photographs have been included in *U. S. Camera Yearbook* as among the best of the year, and have appeared in *National Geographic Magazine*, *Nature Magazine*, *Audubon Magazine*, *Natural History and Life*, as well as in leading newspapers. He is the author of *Birds Around New York City*, *Summer Birds of Lincoln County*, *Wings in the Wilderness*, *Cruickshank's Pocket Guide to Birds*, "Hunting with the Camera", "1001 Questions Answered About Birds", all highly valued by naturalists and teachers.

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ALLAN D. CRUICKSHANK



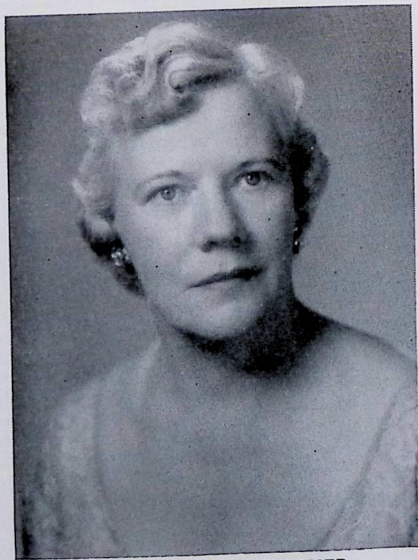
WILLIAM GOVE

The dynamic winner of the "National Salesman of the Year Award" is president of the Bill Gove Organization, author, sales consultant and outstanding lecturer. "YOU are Better Than You Think" will be his title when he is guest speaker at the banquet on Thursday evening.



MRS. JAMIE JOHNSON

Mrs. Johnson is President of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. She will come from her home in Dearborn, Michigan as banquet speaker on April 14th, with "Bringing in the Sheaves" as her topic.



MRS. E. N. MERRIWETHER

Mrs. Merriwether of Mobile, Alabama is South Atlantic Regional Director. "Protecting Our Treasurers" will be the subject of her speech at the luncheon on Friday at Convention.

Prominent Speakers at Convention

Mrs. W. H. Croke, of Atlanta, Georgia, U. S. Department of Agriculture will be the featured speaker at the Conservation Symposium on Thursday afternoon at the Pier Auditorium.

Mr. Paul Bruce Dowling, of Washington, D. C., Director of National Nature Conservancy will bring a message to the Convention regarding the conservation and preservation of Florida's natural areas.

Mrs. Hugh Sutherland, noted flower arranger and artist, from Greenwood, Mississippi will leave Garden Club members speechless with her fascinating arrangements and program "Interpretative Design With a Flair." Her demonstration will be the program highlight of Friday afternoon at the Pier.

(Editor's note: We are sorry that no photographs were available.

Convention Symposiums

Tuesday:

- 3:00—Corsage Workshop—(National Corsage Club)—Park Room
- 4:00—"Club Diseases and Cures—Do's and Dont's"
Mrs. J. M. Croft—Palm Room

Wednesday:

- 3:00—Horticulture, "Sowing Seeds for a Rich Harvest"
Mrs. Graham King—Pier
- 4:15—Flower Arrangement, Schools, Judges.
"Let there be Light"
Mrs. J. A. Franquiz—Pier

Thursday:

- 8:00—"Blessed Be Tomorrow For Therein Lies Our Hope"
Juniors—Mrs. Riley Moffett—
Palm Room
"Beauty As We Go," Roadside Beautification
Mrs. R. M. Fortson—Park Room
"Look To This Day"—Mrs. Marshall M. DeWitt
Florida Room. Garden Centers and Books—
- 3:00—"This We Believe"—Conservation
Mrs. W. W. Hendrickson—
Pier Auditorium
- 4:15—"Garden Therapy and You"—
Mrs. James C. Steele

Friday:

- 8:00—"Fund Raising Tips"—Mrs. Frank W. Hewlett—Palm Room
"Glorifying Nature Through Landscape Design"
Bailey O. Breedlove—Park Room
"Parlaying Program Profiles"—Mrs. Melville Hall—Florida Room

Dr. John M. Bevan

Dr. Bevan is 35, born in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, graduated from Franklin and Marshall (A.B.), Duke University (B.D., M.A., Ph.D. in Psychology) taught at Heidelberg College, Duke University, and Davidson College. He has been Visiting Scholar at Duke, Visiting Professor at Emory University. Formerly, Industrial Consultant with Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company, Mutual Life of Vermont Insurance Company, agencies of Pyramid Life Insurance Company, and affiliated with George Frye and Associates (Management Consulting Firm of New York and Chicago).

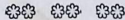
Dr. Bevan is a member of the American Psychological Association, Southeastern Psychological Association, Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Gamma Mu, Sigma Zeta, American Association of University Professors, and the Faculty Christian Fellowship. Last year he was Secretary and President-elect of the North Carolina Psychological Association, Chairman of the Professors' Section of the Division of Higher Education of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. Dr. Bevan is presently Dean of Faculty of Florida Presbyterian College.

Registration

Every person registering for Convention should list all recognitions they are entitled to have on the badges: President, Past-President, State Board Member, State Officer, Life member of State or National Council. Ribbons will be attached to badges in advance of April 12th.

MRS. FRED MAUNTEL

"Footprints on the Sands" will be the theme of this guest speaker at the State Convention on Wednesday. Mrs. Fred Mauntel, Washington, Missouri, Assistant Treasurer of National Council of State Garden Clubs, has served many years on the state board of the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, being particularly interested in conservation and roadside development projects in her state. At present she is editor of The Garden Forum, Missouri's state publication. She is a past president of the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, a past regional director of Central Region of National Council, and has served in the capacity of recording secretary and also corresponding secretary in the national organization.



The Boca Raton Garden Club advocates that conservation slogans be changed from "Don't Pick" to "Do Propagate!" and keep ahead of the bulldozers.



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trellises, arbors, pergolas and posts. They may climb up old tree trunks; cover the bare ground beneath; or sprawl over rocks and cover steep banks.

Vines should not be used to conceal good architecture but rather to enhance it by the line, color, and attractive leaf formation. However, a dense-growing plant can be used to obscure an unpleasant view or object.

Vines cling to their support in many different ways. Some twine around as a morning glory or Stephanotis; some hold on by means of tendrils like spiral springs, as a grape or gloriosa, while others cling by means of stem roots, as the English ivy. In clematis the leaf petioles themselves twine about the support, while in various legumes, like a pea, the leaf is elongated into a branched tendril for the same purpose.

Preparation of soil and fertilizing of vines should be done in the same manner as for shrubs. When planted close to a wall, vines are likely to suffer from dryness.

Watch young shoots to see that they are properly secured from the start. As the vine grows some pruning is necessary, but as always the pruning shears should be used with discretion and good judgment. Vines which flower early should be looked over right after flowering and the lateral shoots should be shortened and perhaps some of the old main shoots removed to make way for young ones. Vines which flower on the shoots of the current season's growth are properly pruned in spring just before new growth starts. It is important to know which vines bloom on the old wood and which on the new.

Few plants can accomplish so much in so short a time and occupy so little ground as do perennial and annual vines. Try some!

SUNBURSTS ADORN INAUGURAL DECORATIONS

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. extends congratulations and best wishes to Governor Farris Bryant and his charming wife Julia. Our First Lady of Florida is an active and ardent member of The Pioneer Garden Club of Ocala.

Tallahassee and Madison Garden Club members, with Mrs. H. C. Terry as chairman, decorated for the inaugural events in the capital city. The Governor's Mansion, Florida State University Tully Gymnasium, the Capital, the Governor's Office, American Legion Home and Capitol City Country Club were all decorated in motifs featuring sunburst arrangements, a favorite of Governor Bryant.

Williamsburg arrangements were used for the Open House at the Governor's Mansion. Members of the Madison Garden Club (Julia's hometown) decorated the downstairs featuring camellias. Mrs. Troy Fain of Tallahassee Garden Club served as Chairman of the event assisted by Mrs. Wayne Stultz, President.

An eight-foot sunburst arrangement of yellow, white and bronze mums in the rotunda of the Capitol was outstanding.

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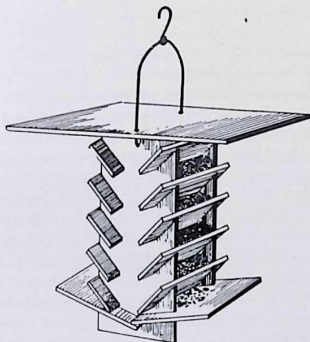
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Notes of Your Club Activities Reported to

MRS. MARSHALL M. DEWITT

Those who know tell us that Florida is the fastest growing state east of the Mississippi. A glance from our car windows as we travel about town or in the state tells us it must be true. It's progress and it is what we really want, although it is posing some of our most complicated challenges and problems. But challenges garden clubs meet head on, and problems are only something to solve, which brings us . . .

UPTOWN, DOWNTOWN, All Around

At Eustis "progress" caused the removal of an avenue of palms downtown and narrowing of sidewalks. The old trees were missed by all, so members of the Founders Circle went into action. They staged a Flower Show Tea as a benefit and plan to provide sixteen large planters centered with Calamondin trees underplanted with flaming flowers. These will be placed at intervals on each side of the main street. "The purpose of the citrus tree is to accent the Eustis slogan—'Orange Capitol of the World.'"

Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club has planted rye on the slopes at the old city cemetery adjacent to the new U.S. Highway #1 and plan further beautification of the site. Farther down the east coast U.S. #1, being four-laned through the heart of Delray Beach, has presented a challenge for beautification and the seven Federated garden clubs, other groups, and the City are accepting that challenge with vigor and careful planning. Bamboo Garden Circle, Jacksonville Garden Club, spear-headed a drive to beautify the entrances to their Monterey neighborhood. Brick and wrought iron street markers and landscaping were installed and the circle plans to maintain the planting and to provide attractive floodlighting. High Springs Garden Club has added shrubbery to its planting at the Cemetery gates, and Newberry Garden Club, in addition to beautifying the Municipal Building grounds, has also assisted in landscaping the High School.

BOOKS, LIBRARIES, GARDEN CENTERS

Deerfield Beach Garden Club has presented a rack of books of interest to gardeners to the Public Library of Deerfield Beach. A special event held in the Public Library of Melbourne recently was a Silver Tea with the theme, "In a Garden of Books", a feature of which was a group of striking floral arrangements displayed by members

of the Melbourne Garden Club. Each exhibit was inspired by the title of a book. Vero Beach is electric with enthusiastic planning for its new Garden Center. The City has given two acres of riverfront land for the site and the garden circles are setting aside the entire month of April for fund raising. April 10 a big picnic is to be held on the Garden Center site to create further interest. At Jacksonville, fund raising for the Garden Center has taken an amusing but effective turn in Iris Circle. A number of members who for various reasons are not able to participate fully in the circle program have named themselves "The Slackers Club" and as such have assessed themselves a tidy sum to be used for the building fund. Not slackers but real club assets! Tallahassee Garden Club feels especially fortunate in having the Rev. and Mrs. Paul L. Stewart, retired, make the Tallahassee Garden Center their home and serve its interests. The Rev. Mr. Stewart, among many community activities through his busy life in the ministry, is a former president of a Men's Garden Club.

PLANTING FOR SHADE AND BEAUTY

Arbor Day is extensively observed by garden clubs of the Florida Federation. Hundreds of fine young trees were planted on schoolgrounds and in public areas of our communities Jan. 20 this year and as they say to all the participating clubs and circles, "Well and generously done!"

UP AND COMING—HSG

Only a matter of months old, the idea of High School Gardeners is gaining momentum and enthusiastic participation. Ribault Garden Club's new and already successful HSG competed in the recent State Flower Show and won several ribbons. FLOWERS, INC., the High School Gardeners of Pensacola, has sent a donation to the State Headquarters Fund; contributed ten dogwood trees for Nogoya, Japan, through Mrs. Oakley, World Gardening Chairman; passed along their school Christmas Tree to a new little church just starting; and each member has planted Black locust seed so that she will have trees large enough to transplant to her own new homegrounds some day. Another new High School Garden Club is sponsored by the Travellers Palm Garden Club, Jupiter, and the young people have been invited to participate in the senior club's spring flower show.

HONORS AND HIGH OCCASIONS

Palatka Garden Club is very proud of a past President. Mrs. F. Lee Millican has been elected National President of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxilliary and on Feb. 15 the town of Palatka celebrated Frances Millican Day. Garden Club members were responsible for the decorations for the occasion. Mandarin Federation of Garden Clubs recently held a memorial service, dedicating a loquat tree in honor of Miss Kate Monson, life-time resident of Mandarin, school teacher for forty-eight years, and long time and beloved garden club member who passed on Jan. 9. Dade County Council of Garden Club Presidents is donating \$100 toward the Conservation Building in Ocala National Forest. This gift honors Council members who are presently on the Florida Federation's Board. They are: Mrs. James C. Steele, Garden Therapy Chairman; Mrs. Philip James, Book Service; Mrs. Frank Hewlett, Calendar Editor; and Mrs. Robert E. Adams, XII District Director. The Stuart Garden Club is honoring Mrs. Harry Swinglehurst by presenting a gift in her name to be placed in the new State Headquarters Building. Mrs. Swinglehurst is an outstanding garden club member, Judge, Instructor, and former member of the State Board. District I and Pensacola, her home, are very proud of Mrs. J. K. Colehour who was recently presented a Sears Wildlife Conservation Certificate in recognition of her outstanding conservation work.

FOR AND WITH YOUTH

District II cleared \$500 for the Youth Conservation Camp and the Headquarters and Endowment Fund when they sponsored a Christmas demonstration "Flora for Christmas" by Mrs. Charles H. Blanchard, Pensacola, National and State Chairman of High School Gardeners. Members of Magnolia Circle, Panama City, are working "to preserve one section of Panama City as it was when Indians roamed the area years ago." The project is called 'Lannie Rowe Nature Park' and is already being enjoyed by small boys, birds, and squirrels. Native trees and shrubs are being "tagged" for identification. High School Gardeners of Buchholz Juniors High School are rooting boxwood cuttings donated by members of Gainesville Garden Club. The mist method is being used, and when the cuttings are rooted, the juniors will set them out.

CITY NURSERIES AND GARDEN CLUBS

Each year more communities and their garden clubs realize the value of city maintained nurseries, often supplied with plant materials by the garden clubs. Such arran-

gements are proving a wonderful aid in civic beautification projects and routine replacement of existing but no longer desirable plant materials in parks and other public areas. At Cocoa ground has been cleared for a city nursery and an office and shed have been erected. Genipa Circle of Garden Circles of North Broward, organized last October, is cooperating in the development of the new North Broward County Park. The 18 members have undertaken as their first major project the landscaping of this 20 acre park. Plants will come from the Country Nursery. In DeLand an annual tree planting takes place. Residents are offered a limit of two young water oaks free of charge, the little trees grown by the Future Farmers of DeLand High School, and the project promoted by members of the garden club.

FAR NORTH AND SOUTH

A note from District II: "After winning a national award for the roadside beautification of U.S. #90, Marianna Garden Club's newest roadside project is State Road #167, leading to the Florida Caverns State Park. Special attention will be focused on the entrance. The Vernon Garden Club, whose 17 members form the newest and smallest club in District II, are enthusiastically working on an ambitious roadside beautification project and have a well-organized group of High School Gardeners." From way down south, Dade County Council of Garden Club Presidents is participating in a tea Apr. 4, in the interest of World Gardening, for a group of garden club members from Costa Rica. Mrs. Belle Schefel is Chairman for the tea and for the garden club tour of Costa Rica being conducted by the Florida Federation in June.

The Tampa Federation has been invited to enter a "Litterbug" float, made of all fresh flowers, in the Gasparilla Parade and Festival.

COMMENCEMENT

Commencement is a word of many associations. It is both an ending and a beginning, a happy time and a nostalgic time. Soon, in a sense, garden clubs will also have their "commencements." Club elections and annual meetings will be times of appraisal and planning for the future. Congratulations and deep satisfactions will be the order of every day this spring. This writer, relaying only a small part of those stories of achievement and honor, feels a real sense of participation and adds her congratulations and appreciation to all who have had a part in inspiring the events of this column, and special thanks to the District reporters who have gathered the good news.



Armchair Gardening

BY JEANNETTE B. DeWITT
Chairman Garden Club Libraries

Just as with any other kind of gardening, the day comes in armchair gardening when it's time to check up on what we have, what we need, what needs a look with an eye to replacement by something better and more current. It's spring and just the time to do it!

Spur-of-the-moment borrowing and lending of garden books, pamphlets, and irreplaceable clippings has gone on all the garden club season as program work was carried out. Do we have books we should return to friends, Garden Center, or State Library? Who has ours, loaned to a committee months ago? Where did we put those fall garden magazines that had the reviews we read and booklists we checked for the new books we wanted? What do we want to do about those early flower arrangement books that time and taste have left beached high and dry? What about those "New Plant Lists" and catalogs that were great five years ago? Do we want to replace favorite books with newer revised editions or try a new author with more contemporary views? Yes, it is definitely time to have a look—at our personal library, the Garden Center Library, the garden shelf at the Public Library (with a thought to possible gifts our club could present) and to do some real updating.

Soon it will be program planning time for a new season and we will want to be ready with the best materials available. Sorting, evaluating, ordering, all take time—let's pitch in!

That done, here are a few titles to consider. NEW—"All About Begonias" by Bernice Brilmayer, \$4.95. Complete coverage of the fascinating and beautiful begonias—what they are, how to grow and show them, propagation, problems and pests and what to do about them, types of begonias and ways to use them to advantage with the added plus of many color plates, black and white pictures and sketches. It's very good.

QUITE NEW—"The Secret of the Green Thumb" by Henry T. and Rebecca T. Northen, \$6.00. "If you are one who likes

to know the 'why' behind what you do, 'The Secret of the Green Thumb' is the book for you. It is all-inclusive and should be in the library of every serious gardener." (Popular Gardening) Others have similarly recommended this fine book by Dr. Northen, Professor of Botany at the University of Wyoming and Mrs. Northen, a trained biologist, magazine writer, and nationally ONES—"Pageant of the Rose" by Jean Gordan, \$5.00 and "Plants Man and Life" by Edgar Anderson, \$2.50. These are the type we read at our leisure for appreciation and background. To lovers of the queen of flowers "Pageant of the Rose" is a distillation of hundreds of years of her favorite flower in art, legend, romance, fashion, history and heraldry, poetry and prose. It is a beautiful book filled with illustrations, just the remedy for an unfaithful glance at any other flower love we may think of transferring our affections to. "Plants, Man and Life" is a detective story of the plant world. It presents the mystery of certain typical food plants, weeds, and others, traces of which have been invaluable to scientists in following the story of man and his wanderings and development. Dr. Anderson is Curator of Useful Plants, Missouri Botanical Garden, Engelmann Professor of Botany, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, and has lectured at the Garden Symposium held annually at Williamsburg, Virginia.

National Council Books, Inc. has or is able to get any of the above that we may wish to order.

Note of Interest

"Florida's List of Protected Plants" (in Words and Pictures) by members of Moringa Garden Circle, Fort Lauderdale, has been revised and enlarged and is now priced at \$1.50. This excellent little handbook was first compiled in 1959 and has won for its editors the appreciation of garden clubs all over the state.

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- March 16, 17 — "Around the World with Flowers" Orange Blossom Garden Club, Lutz Community Center, Lutz.
- March 17, 18 — "Spring Flower Show" Hollywood Garden Club, Hollywood.
- March 16, 17 — "Circus Parade" Dade City Garden Club, Womans Club Bldg. Dade City.
- March 17, 18 — "As the Twig Bends". Sunset Park Garden Club, Garden Center, Tampa.
- March 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 — (Two Shows) "The Legend of Lake County" Lake County Council of Federated Garden Clubs, Lake County Fairgrounds Eustis, Florida.
- March 21, 22 — "Reflections from the Far East" Gulf Beaches Garden Club, Bath Club, Redington Beach.
- March 21, 22 — "Spring Flower Show" Winter Haven Council of Garden Clubs, National Guard Armory, Winter Haven.
- March 21, 22 — "Gems of Beauty from Florida Gardens" Clearwater Garden Club, Municipal Auditorium, Clearwater.
- March 23, 24 — "Birds in my Garden" Manatee River Garden Club, Bradenton.
- March 24 — "Welcome Sweet Springtime" Placement Show, Davis Islands Garden Club, Tampa.
- March 24, 25 — "Down Memory Lane" Mineola Garden Club, Mineola.
- March 24, 25 — "Home of the Brave" The Red People, West Martello Tower, Key West Garden Club, Key West.
- March 24, 25 — "Rhapsody in Tropic Time" Stuart Garden Club, Civic Center Stuart.
- March 24, 25 — "From Then 'til Now" Pompano Beach 1821 to Pompano Beach 1961, Pompano Beach Garden Club, Garden Center.
- March 21 — "Placement Show" Dania Garden Club, Home: Mrs. John Gregory 202-SW-3rd Place, Dania.
- March 25, 26 — "Flower Talk" The Garden Club of Indian River County, Vero Beach.
- March 25, 26 — "Floral Melodies" Council of Garden Clubs, Eau Gallie.
- April 5 — "Placement Show" Various Homes, DeLand Garden Club, DeLand.
- April 5, 6 — "Music is in the Air" Sarasota Garden Club, Municipal Auditorium, Sarasota.
- April 6 — "Accent on Beauty" Deerfield Garden Club, Deerfield.
- April 6, 7 — "Floral Gate Shopping Center" Lakeland Garden Club, Garden Center Building.
- April 6, 7, 8, 9 — "Gateway to the Everglades" Ft Lauderdale Garden Club, Garden Center, Ft Lauderdale.
- April 7, 8 — "Sesame and Lilies" Tampa Federation of Garden Clubs, Fla. State Fair Grounds, Tampa.
- April 6 — "Springtime Splendor" Mandarin Federation of Garden Clubs, Mandarin.
- April 7, 8, 9, 10 — "Designs for Living" Metropolitan Miami Flower Show, Bayfront Auditorium, Miami.
- April 8, 9 — "Make Mine Country Style" Bartow Garden Club, Livestock Pavillion, Bartow.
- April 8 — Flower Show, Town & Country Garden Club, First Federal & Savings Loan Assn. Lake Worth.
- April 8, 9 — "The Circus comes to Venice" Venice Garden Club, Venice.
- April 8, 9 — "Spring Show" Kissimmee Garden Club, Kissimmee.
- April 8, 9 — "Spring Show" Gainesville Garden Club, Florida Farm Bureau Bldg., Gainesville.
- April 15 — "Celestial Spring" Travelers Palm Garden Club, Salhaven Auditorium, Jupiter.
- April 15, 16 — "Stephen Foster Festival" Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club, National Guard Armory, Cocoa.
- April 21, 22 — "Spring on the Miracle Strip" Gulf Beach Garden Club, Panama City.
- April 19, 20 — "The Treasures of this Earth" St Augustine Garden Clubs and Hastings Elkton Club, Teentown Bldg. St Augustine.
- April 19 — Flower Show-Parkland Garden Club, Tampa.
- April 22 — "Down our Garden Path" Arlington Garden Club, Activities Bldg. of Arlington Presbyterian Church, Jacksonville, Florida.
- April 26, 27 — "Rose Show" Flowering Tree Circle, Garden Center, Tampa.
- April 29, 30 — Flower Show, Titusville Garden Club, Titusville.
- April 29, 30 — "Art and Flowers" Ft. Myers Garden Council, Ft. Myers.

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HEADQUARTERS HIGHLIGHTS

MRS. VERNON L. CONNER, *Chairman*

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC. HEADQUARTERS

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This Chairman is sincerely grateful for countless letters of encouragement and appreciation received from members throughout Florida and other states. Excerpts show the caliber and spirit of the donors.

South Florida Garden Club, Miami: "Our club decided we were more interested in the Federation's future than we were in ourselves; so we gave up exchanging gifts at our Christmas party and send you the gift instead."

Mrs. R. B. Harkness, Lake City: "During the holidays, I had the opportunity to visit the Headquarters in Winter Park. It was worth the trip just to see that. It is beautiful and it is interesting to speculate on how it will look in five years from now."

Biscayne Gardens Garden Club, Miami: "We are proud to participate in the acquisition of a State Headquarters and hope to visit this wonderful facility in the near future."

Mrs. Guy E. Yaste, Pensacola: "Please accept the enclosed check and use as you wish for our lovely State Headquarters. I was overcome with the perfection of planning for beauty and use. Congratulations on a wonderful accomplishment."

Mrs. Robert A. Mooney, Miami: "I expect to attend the dedication. It will be a great occasion and one you and many others will always remember and cherish. It is truly wonderful that the building is a reality and it will be an honor and credit to the untiring efforts of those who made it possible. This is an accomplishment that will have long and lasting influence for good upon the lives of many."

Mrs. W. H. White, Muskegon, Michigan: "I am enclosing a check for the Florida State Headquarters. We know nothing about gardening in Florida except what we have learned from your wonderful *Florida Gardener* which we have taken for more than two years. Our Mrs. Jamie Johnson tells me of the wonderful people in Florida; so please accept my contribution to your building."

Gulf Beach Garden Club, St. Petersburg: "We wish you success in your drive to complete the Headquarters project. It will certainly be a worthy monument to the vision and activity of all those who made it possible."

Mrs. William B. Buchanan, Miami: "The enclosed check is but a small expression of the interest I have in the new Headquarters. Please use it as you see the need. I am looking forward to seeing this lovely building."

Dr. Taylor R. Alexander, Chairman, Dept. of Botany, University of Miami: "I wish to congratulate the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs for the construction of this building as I know it will strengthen their work in the state. It also will stand as a monument that there are people in Florida who believe in the tribal aspects of our civilization."

The greatest book ever written says "And now abideth, faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Contributors to the Headquarters live by these words. They have shown their faith in Florida's future as well as their hope and desire to provide better "Gardening for Tomorrow."

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever", and that is what the Headquarter's garden will be when funds are available to landscape the entire area. Landscape design is the development of property for use and beauty. Parking areas, winding walks, wall, fountains, statuary and plant compositions are EXPENSIVE. But, this garden must be a place of which you will be proud. It will represent every Florida members' interest in gardening, horticulture, botany, civic beautification, conservation of natural resources and landscape design. People from far and near who visit it, will expect something outstanding and with YOUR HELP will not be disappointed.

What have you done? "Light is the task where many share the toil." Won't you share in the responsibility of completing a gardening monument worthy of the second largest Federation in National Council? Lighten our task by sending a check payable to The Florida Federation Headquarters to Mrs. Vernon L. Conner, P. O. Box 183, Mount Dora. Your gift will be most helpful and sincerely appreciated!

The following contributions to the Headquarters were received between November 29 and January 28, 1961:

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Coconut Grove Garden Club, Miami	10.00
Mrs. William B. Buchanan, Miami	10.00

CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA November 4, 1960

Dear Mrs. Conner:

The citizens of Winter Park are especially happy and proud to have the Headquarters of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs located in Mead Gardens and consider this beautiful and appropriate building an asset to our city.

When you came to see me during November of 1957 about a gift of land for a state building, I had no idea that it would be completed at such an early date. Your Building Committee deserves a great deal of credit and I am sure the members of your organization are deeply appreciative of this outstanding accomplishment.

The beauty of the Headquarters Building reflects the skill of the architects, Tuttle and Allan of Winter Park, as well as the close inspection and constant supervision it received.

The City of Winter Park congratulates the members of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs on completion of this important project and we extend to each of them a cordial welcome—not only to Mead Gardens, but to the entire city.

Most sincerely,
J. LYNN PFLUG
Mayor-Commissioner

TUTTLE AND ORR, ARCHITECTS

November 4, 1960

Dear Mrs. Conner,

It is a pleasure to write this letter on the completion of the new Headquarters Building for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Many projects of this type can become a problem to an architect, but the cooperation which we received from all concerned, the Building Committee Chairman, the General Contractor and the City of Winter Park was most gratifying.

Question for the Building Committee were readily answered by weekly, and many times more often, visits to the building site by the Committee Chairman.

The General Contractor conducted the project in a workmanlike manner, accepting and carrying out orders of the Architect and Engineers. The entire project was constructed according to the contract documents and received the required inspections by the City Building Department. The proximity of the building site to the Architect's office made frequent visits by the Architect not only possible, but a pleasure.

This office hopes that the building will serve the needs of the Federation for many years to come and will be a source of pride for all its members.

This office wishes to express sincere thanks to all of the members who served on the Headquarters Building Committee.

Sincerely,
George A. Tuttle, Jr.



NATURE CONSERVANCY ORGANIZED

With the enthusiastic consent of about 84 members of The Nature Conservancy the Florida chapter as state-wide organization was formed in Miami, Saturday, January 28.

Since the president of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., Mrs. C. R. Mayes, Jr. of Pompano Beach had been called to serve as a governor on the National Board of Governors of the Nature Conservancy of America, the great interest of Floridian members led to this meeting and to the nomination of the following officers: Melvin Finn, Miami, president; Mrs. C. R. Mayes, Jr., vice president; Mrs. E. O. Williams, Fort Lauderdale, secretary; Robert L. Kester, Pompano Beach, treasurer. They will be assisted by a 24-member trusteeship.

Objectives of the Nature Conservancy as a nonprofit organization are to preserve or

aid in the preservation of all types of wild nature, including natural areas, features, objects, flora and fauna, and biotic communities; to establish nature reserves or other protected areas to be used for scientific, educational, and esthetic purposes; to promote the conservation and proper use of our natural resources; to engage in or promote the study of plant and animal communities and of other phases of ecology, natural history, and conservation; to promote education in the fields of nature preservation and conservation; and to cooperate with other organizations having similar or related objectives.

FEDERATION'S TOUR OF EUROPE

BY MRS. JOHN R. PARKINSON,
Chairman

The 1961 TOUR OF EUROPE sponsored by the Florida Federation for members and their families is a sell-out! Reservations now, as this issue goes to press, exceed the plane capacity and an effort being made to secure additional plane space for those who wish to travel on this delightful tour. The coupon below is for those to be listed for the second plane and a deposit of \$100.00 per person must accompany the Reservation form to be returned if unable to secure additional plane accommodations.

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SIGHTSEEING:

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b) Ojo De Agua (Water Eye) is a natural spring where the water flows at the rate of 6,000 gallons a minute. Ojo De Agua, on the highway to Alajuela about 30 minutes by private car from San Jose, is a very nice swimming pool. The water supply for the pool is from natural springs which look like an eye, hence its name.

c) A trip to the Volcano Irazu at the summit of 11,322 feet allows a vivid panorama at the Central Cordillera and both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. It is only 1 1/2 hours from San Jose on a good paved road that reaches the summit.

d) A trip to Puerto Limon, on the Atlantic Ocean, is one of the two gateways into Costa Rica. Limon is built on the same site as the ancient Indian Village of Cariari, which Columbus saw when he anchored here on his fourth and final voyage to the new world in 1502. Puerto Limon is a 5-hour train ride from San Jose through magnificent scenery.

Three invitations will be offered by the Garden Club of Costa Rica to other points of interest not included in the tour.

A side trip to Panama is included in the fare for those members who wish to go. Expenses in Panama are their own.

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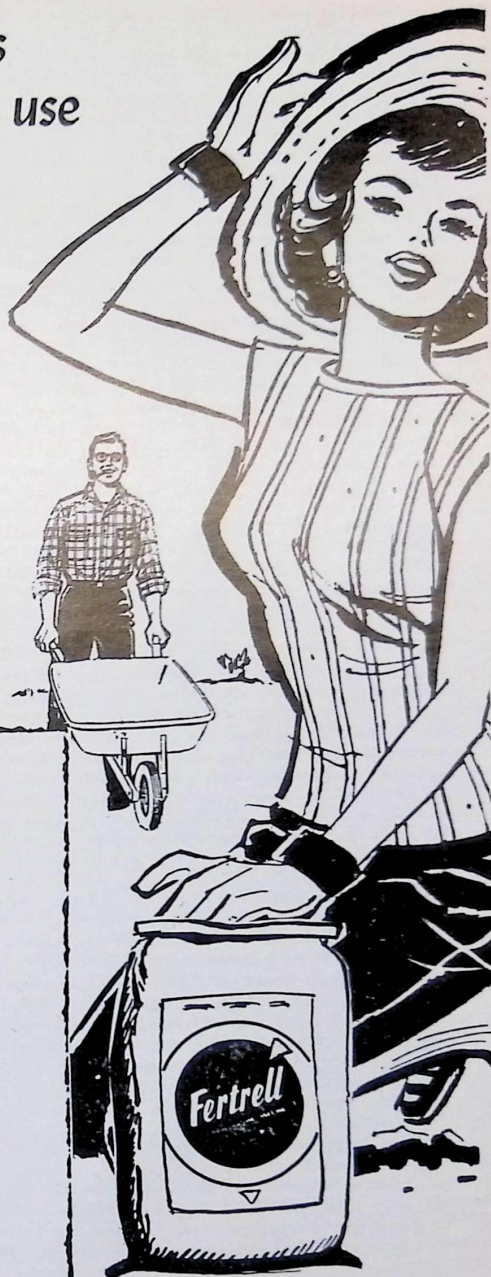
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