

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 1950

Garden Gadding—

Park Trees Stump Expert

James Cook, 2335 E. Garfield Drive, knows more about trees than almost any other two men in Indianapolis. But he says he almost got stumped trying to identify some trees over in Garfield Park.

They were planted to take the place of the park's tragic elms. He finally learned that they are, accurately, a variety of eucommia.

They really do produce good quality rubber but so far no process makes its commercially worth while. The trees resemble the elm somewhat in leaf and growth habit. Mr. Cook says there's a specimen in Holliday Park, too, near the copper beach (which in turn, is near Holliday House) on the driveway—both labeled.

THE RUSSELL WEAVERS, 1217 N. Mount St., will never need to worry about their magnolia tree getting nipped by frost. Its big white, lemon-scented blossoms are beginning to open now. The Weavers brought this late-flowering variety from North Carolina six years ago. These are its first blossoms.

MOST OF US who like birds find they get us into hot water every now and then. So it's not surprising that Miss Edwin Morrow, the enthusiastic bird chairman of the state's federated garden clubs had an "embarrassing moment" at the last state board meeting.

Feathered Fiends ONE BOARD member said she's just about decided to give up birds—the misguided feathered fiends had cleaned out her strawberry patch. "Why?" suggested Miss Morrow. "All you have to do is plant a mulberry tree there." But, "reported the strawberry raiser, "we've already got a mulberry tree right there." Birdy friend Miss Morrow could offer was, "Well, you must have the kind of birds that prefer strawberry shortcake."

NATURE clubbers who went on that trip to Dr. Dean's home in Bluffton last Sunday to visit the famous Hoosier naturalist, got a little more nature than they bargained on. After they almost turned back at Muncie because of a continuous downpour they finally went on to find that Bluffton had a slightly drier climate so they could visit the arboretum after all.

Dr. Dean, now in his mid-eighties, gave up his usual Florida trip last winter to get on with revision of his "Trees of Indiana," which he's decided needs bringing up to date.

Cook Roast In Morning

If hot summer days draw the homemaker from her kitchen, here's a suggestion for serving appetizing last minute meals.

Cook a pork loin roast in the cooler morning hours, store it tightly covered, in the refrigerator and it's ready for dinner sliced cold or heated in a sauce.

Plan on 35 to 40 minutes per pound roasting time for a center or half pork loin, 45 to 50 minutes for pork end loin.

Barbecue Sauce

Place the roast fat side up in an open roasting pan. Do not add water and cook uncovered in a 350-degree F. oven until the pork roast is well done.

Allow the roast to cool, then tightly wrap and store in the refrigerator.

Cooked roast pork is temptingly heated in a barbecue sauce. Or this fine flavored meat may be served in a fruit sauce—fresh pineapple, cherry or orange.

Roast pork is, of course, popular in sandwiches.

Gardening—

Hospitable Fence Divides Neighbors' Yards



Mrs. George Gramer (left) and Mrs. C. C. Godfrey . . . trim their flower fence.

By MARGUERITE SMITH
Times Garden Editor

A FENCE can be just a fence, and at the same time a pain in the paint brush every year. But it doesn't have to be.

And the one that hospitably divides the C. C. Godfreys' yard at 5350 N. Illinois St. from the George Gramers' yard next door is neither.

It's a flower background, a support for climbing roses. It won't need paint for years at a time, and it's not a bit forbidding. It runs only partway up the yard, has a little stepping-stone path between the front doors on either side of it.

Your Yard—

Utilize Mulch Now to Spike Threat of Intense July Heat

Unless all the weather prophets are wrong dusty days will be here in July. Then shrubs and flowers will appreciate a mulch laid over the earth to keep their roots cool, the ground moist and easy to send new roots into as they continually search for food to grow on.

Everybody who has a lawn has one kind of mulching material—lawn clippings. You can either chop them fine and use them for a grass mulch or rake them up for vegetable or flower garden.

Of course, they'll turn yellow. They'll heat, too, if you put on too thick a layer at one time. But they do perform the magic trick of saving moisture and keeping plants happy.

Where you don't want eye-distracting mulches, as in the rose bed, peat moss is another better background material. Be sure it's wet when you put it on. Otherwise it drinks up moisture from the ground and leaves plants worse off than before.

New Mulch Ground corncocks are the new favorite. They let air and rain through readily. They seem to have some fertilizing value though that's not definitely established yet. Their color isn't much to brag about when they're fresh but as they weather it becomes a nice neutral shade.

Whatever your choice of material, let it fit your needs and your pocket book. But do mulch for best results in vegetable garden, flower beds, or shrub border when weather is dry.

DISHING the DIRT

Q—Why does rhubarb grow with only a lot of small leaves? Somebody said it was because we didn't cut it last year but it was just set out and we thought we ought not to cut it. Is that the reason? Beginner.

A—No. You followed good gardening practice not to cut the leaves when the plant was trying to get itself established. The small leaves show that your soil is not rich enough. Rhubarb is a vigorous plant and will grow leaves of tropical size if it has half a chance. Mulch it with manure if you can. Compost (or a mulch of lawn clippings or decaying tree leaves) plus a high nitrogen chemical fertilizer will help it. New varieties do not grow quite such enormous foliage as the other "pieplant." But the reason so much rhubarb fails to do well is poor soil preparation when it's first set, with resulting starvation of the plants later.

Salads Are Inexpensive

Salads are in season along with homegrown vegetables. Summer appetites go for a light meal that's cool tasting and colorful.

With the ingredients grown locally, what could be a more inexpensive meal? Try this new angle for a green salad.

GAZPACHO Six large ripe tomatoes, one sweet red pepper or one green pepper, four small cucumbers, unpeeled, two grated carrots, two tablespoons lemon juice, one-half teaspoon garlic powder or one clove of garlic, two tablespoons finely grated onion, dash cayenne, black pepper, salt.

Cook tomatoes with green or red pepper. Cut cucumbers lengthwise, scoop out seeds, chop. Mix in glass bowl with tomatoes, grated carrots, garlic, onion, cayenne, lemon juice and season to taste.

Chill and serve very cold preferably in glass bowls. Garnish with a sprig of watercress or serve with bowl of crisp watercress.

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Club Goers Will Have Busy Week

Flower Talks To Be Featured

This week is the usual busy second-week-of-the-month among the nature and garden clubs. The schedule follows:

TODAY

Nature Study Club — 5:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lytle,

1055 Riverby Lane, host and

hostess. Astronomy round-

table. The Misses Anna Louise

Cochrane, Katherine Graves,

Rhoda Davies and Sarah Mc-

Math in charge.

TOMORROW

Blue Flower Garden Club — 12:30

p.m. Mrs. Charles Clark, 55 S.

Linwood Ave., hostess. Mrs.

Oliver Clark, assisting. "Plant-

ing for Continuous Bloom."

Mrs. P. A. Hennessey.

Rainbow Garden Club — 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Frank Schroeder, South-

port, hostess. Illustrated talk

on birds, Miss Mildred Camp-

bell.

Fall Creek Garden Club — 1:15

p.m. Mrs. Robert W. Blake,

6161 N. Chester Ave., hostess.

"Corsages From Your Own

Flower Garden." Mrs. Louis J.

Rybolt.

TUESDAY

Biz-B Garden Club — 11:30 a.m.

Mrs. George Bradley, 4415 N.

Post Road, hostess. "Flower

Arrangements." Mrs. Ralph

Wilkoff.

Dahlia Society — 8 p.m. Brookside

Community House. "Distribu-

tion and Disbranching." W. A.

Saffell. "Color in Flower Ar-

rangements." Mrs. Ray Thorn.

THURSDAY

Crooked Creek Garden Club — 10

a.m. Mrs. George Eggleston,

5146 N. Michigan Road, hostess

for breakfast.

FRIDAY

North End Garden Club — 1:30

p.m. Mrs. H. E. Rasmussen,

5838 Carrollton Ave., hostess.

Mrs. L. R. Cartwright, Mrs.

Foster V. Smith, assisting.

"Flower Prints." Mrs. Amos C.

Michael.

Golden Glow Garden Club — 10:30

a.m. at home of Mrs. Conrad

Barrett, 1118 Congress Ave., for

trip to Hillsdale Nursery. Picnic

lunch. Talk on roses by Alex Tuschinsky.

SUNDAY

Nature Study Club — 8:30 a.m.

Meet at World War Memorial

for trip to home of Mrs. Onya

LaTour. Mrs. Emma Williams,

Noah Myers, Otto Herreman in

charge of hikes and nature

study.

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