

A COUNTRY GARDEN

Indian Summer

The old grey year is near his term in sooth, And now with backward eye and soft-laid palm Awakens to a golden dream of youth. A second childhood lovely and most calm, And the smooth hour about his misty head An awning of enchanted splendour weaves, Of maples, amber, purple, and rose-red drooping elms down-dropping golden leaves. With still half-fallen lids he sits and dreams Far in a hollow of the sunlit wood, Lulled by the murmur of thin-threading streams, Nor sees the polar armies over-flood The darkening barriers of the hills, nor hears The north-wind ringing with a thousand spears.

that they will be as lovely as the catalog description. A few outdoor Tulips have been planted for early bloom but the most of them will be planted next month so the spring color will last longer than last year. The few days left in October will be used to gather in the Dahlias and Glads that are still out in the garden.

October could not stay. Her flame Was as a sacrificial fire. The flowers departed as they came. Now earth has donned her gray attire To weep the passing of the year. Oh foolish earth, that time moves on Is hardly worth a moment's tear. Already from the ashes spread Spring, anticipating dawn, Is weaving garlands for your head.

—Russel.

When gardeners do their planting in the autumn they believe as the poet has written, and they are happy in anticipation of the garlands of spring. Blue Delphinium and yellow Potentilla in quantity were planted in a new border and because these lovely blue and yellow flowers are favorites of this gardener and there have never been enough in the garden here, this makes it a pleasant corner to think about until spring. There are several lovely blue spikes blooming now and they combine nicely with the crimson and yellow chrysanthemums for cutflowers in the decoration where needed. Beautiful Marigolds and Calendulas are still blooming in the garden and are usually among the very last flowers in the garden. Marigolds, in medieval times were called "Jacks", and small wonder, for in mass, the old Pot Marigold looks like a sea of shimmering gold. I think it is one of the most beautiful of the old-fashioned flowers. They gradually acquired the name Marigolds, i.e. Golds dedicated to the Virgin Mary, for they were the flowers of her festivals. The petals of Marigolds were used medicinally, and also were a common feature in salads.

So highly were the petals valued for their health-giving qualities that they used to be dried and stored for winter use in soups, stews, and other foods. Every possible use was made of Marigold petals medicinally. They were added to cordials and given to those suffering from colds. Marigold water was used for inflamed eyes, wasp and bee stings were alleviated by rubbing the affected parts with the petals. (I should have tried them in the summer). They were also regarded as a remedy for warts, and they were commonly used for children's ailments of all sorts.

Turner, "the Father of English Botany," observes wistfully that some women, not content with the natural colour of their hair, used the petals to turn it a golden colour, and conserves of the petals (made by pounding them with an equal weight of sugar to a paste) were given to those who suffered from weak hearts.

Marigolds were a lovely and important flower in the years gone by and now they are making our gardens bright and colorful for a long summer and until frost comes. This week I spent a happy evening looking over some beautiful

Alderman Candidate In Ottawa Election



Mrs. May Nickson, pretty 36-year-old mother of three children, will run for alderman in Ottawa's December municipal election. A former civil servant and graduate of Queen's University, she is shown above with her three children (left to right) Victoria, 3; Daphne, 2 and Paul 5.—(CP Photo).

colored photographs of the famous Butchart Gardens in British Columbia. Next to visiting these gardens, to see lovely photographs and to hear about them from observant visitors is very enjoyable. The arches of roses appealed to me, as well as the wonderful shrubs and other plantings that we have not had here in this Province. It is safe to say that almost every visitor to that far western province is taken to these famous gardens as they consider them to be one of their famous beauty spots in that lovely province.

At this season of the year the evergreen hedges and specimen trees and shrubs show up their worth as they add to the form and beauty of our homes and gardens at this time. Many lovely Rhododendrons and Azaleas are being experimented with at our Memorial Nursery. Some have wintered satisfactorily for several years and are covered with large fat buds ready for spring blooming. The one Rhododendron in this garden has survived for several years and our gardens may soon contain many of these lovely shrubs.

Now that summer is nearly over, in the corners of the evergreen garden we can escape the hint of approaching autumn. It lies beyond the hedge, where we see the cool waters of the bay. Seats are placed here in this quiet enclosure where the bright raiment of spring is still worn, for the shears were busy yesterday on the grass and hedge

Here in the cool of the evening we may rest and enjoy the fragrance of the garden, strangely like the first sweet scent of the narcissus in April. Here is the green elegance that never varies, times and seasons may well be ignored, for a green hedge makes a lovely garden all year, in spring as well as in Autumn.

AN AUTUMN SUNSET

One moment the slim cloud-fleets seem to lean With their sad sunward faces aureoled. And longing lips set downward brightening To take the last sweet hand-kiss of the King, Gone down beyond the closing west, acold, Paying no reverence to the slender queen, That like a curv-ed olive leaf gold Hangs low in heaven, rounded toward the sun, Or the small stars that one by one unfold Down the grey border of the night begun.

—Archibald Lampman.

LET'S EAT

Scouts' Pumpkin Pie

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

PLANS for Halloween started way back last spring for 14 members of Troop 1, Waukegan, North Chicago Girl Scouts.

They began their agricultural activities with Project Pumpkin Seed.

Backyard Gardens

They planted in home backyards, weeded, watered, hoed, until, to quote some verses the girls wrote: "The plants seemed to tumble 'n' out of the ground, and soon huge vines spread all around. The bushes burst into a golden glow as the swelling fruit began to show. Time came to harvest the balls of gold as summer left and days grew cold. With turns and twists of sharpened knife, the girls brought their pumpkins to life. With leer and smile and yawn and glare, those Jack O'Lanterns were beyond compare!" After receiving due honors, the Scouts plan to use their Jack O'Lanterns to make pumpkin pies.

Here's a super-duper recipe, girls. Good luck!

Line a deep 9-inch pie plate with American pie pastry rolled a scant 1/4-in. thick. Build up the edge in a fluted design.

Separate 4 eggs; beat the whites stiff and the yolks creamy. To the yolks, add 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. ground cinnamon, 1/4 tsp. ground clove, and 1/2 tsp. ground ginger. Stir in 1 c. light brown sugar (free from lumps) and 2 c. sweetened or canned pumpkin. Fold in the beaten egg whites.

Transfer to the pastry-lined pie plate. Bake 15 min. in a hot oven, 425 degrees F. Then reduce the heat to 350 degrees F. and bake 35 min. longer, or until light brown on top and firm in the center. Cool; spread lightly with whipped cream. On this, make a Jack O'Lantern face with a pitted date (Continued on page 13)

Color Works Wonders For Walls and Floors

By ELEANOR ROSS

WALLS and floors are getting more attention than ever before. The annual home furnishings show in New York a fall event, emphasized the importance of clever treatment of these formerly background surfaces.

One floor was worked in turquoise, slate blue and white ceramic tiles, arranged in stripes, on a speckled terra cotta ground. Another ground surface was of pewter-trimmed cork, the pewter dividing the cork into vari-sized rectangles. The motif was carried out in metal furniture used in this room, the metal finished to simulate cork. The turquoise combination was used in a beach house room with the emphasis on blue.

An attractive linoleum installation was speckled black and white, with white striping in a geometric design. This material also charred in another setting—plain chartreuse linoleum alternated with mottled white for a stunning effect.

All on One Rosy Theme

In yet another floor, a pink-toned plastic resembling terrazzo was eye-catching. What made the room a show-stopper was the idea of using the flooring to decorate also the fronts of a group of simple chests strung along one wall. The walls were of grass paper, and, like the soft and two molded chairs on brass legs, were in variations of pink.

Fish as Decor

Four lighted aquariums built into

a wall certainly proved a congenial piece, and an idea that will probably be copied.

Another room had one wall of plaster panels studded with pebbles—a good idea for a beach cottage.

For a Ranch House

Good for a ranch house was a white stone and brick double-faced hearth serving as a cozy divider between the living and dining areas. And we liked a grouping of budget-priced modern pieces grouped in a cheerful bedroom setting, the frames of fine birch and hard rock maple, and doors and drawer fronts treated with a special finish which is jiffy-washable.

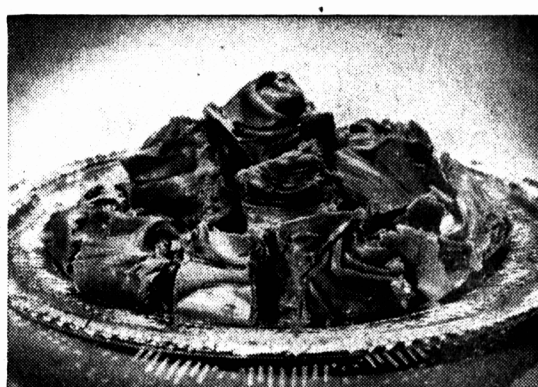
How To Cook With Curry

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