

is really very attractive and has somewhat the same charm as Grandmother's old fashioned garden.

You may make such a wall a "friendship wall," even after it is supposed to be completed, by letting your friends contribute each one a stone, preferably each stone having even more than the friendship value.

A stone may be a keepsake from the old homestead, the family church, or a token from some outing or journey.

THE OLD FASHION FLOWER GARDEN

There may be some who never enjoyed an old fashion flower garden and some who do not know what flowers such a magic spot would include. I will record right now as I remember Grandmother's flowers.

They occupied the fence corners and odd spots in the vegetable garden and sometimes got mixed up with the vegetables. The garden would not have been complete without the smoke-house adjoining, on whose roof the family cat often took refuge from the family dog. The family flowers were the same each year and were a fixed part of the settled program of living. The little yellow soldier buttons, the jonquils, lily-of-the-valley, phlox, bleeding heart, hollyhocks, June roses, peonies, chrysanthemums, and up in the corner tree was the rambling trumpet creeper, whose big orange colored trumpets lured the humming birds.

The old folks didn't go in much for new varieties or rare plants they did very little work on the flower beds, but they got results and all these ornamentals which so impressed and thrilled the youngsters, are still among our popular numbers.

So let us give Grandmother the blue ribbon for being a real gardener, besides keeping house, tending chickens, making butter and doing sundry other chores.

Spring Flowers Signal for Planting Season

To most of us the coming of spring means a new wardrobe, and the well-dressed garden is no exception. As though to help us forget the winter months, it gowns itself in the most delicate pinks, blues and lavenders in the bulb border, with many bright splashes of bolder reds and yellows. In the shrub planting the happy golden-yellow of the Forsythias leads the way for the early spring flowers of Lilac, Japanese Quince and Honey-suckles. Here and there are broad sweeps of white and pink where the congenial Spireas do their part in giving the garden a holiday dress.

And what would the garden's spring time costume be if it lacked the rain bow hues of the dainty Iris? Those who wisely planted new Iris last year will delight in their Maytime display

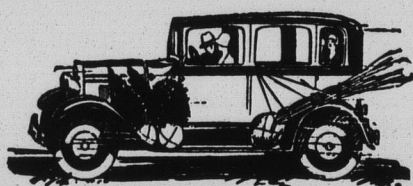
of delicate blooms. There are so many color combinations possible with Iris, and they are such easy flowers to grow, that it will be most interesting to plan new arrangements and additions now.

In the perennial border, too, there are early arrivals that help to make the garden's spring gown a lovely one. Columbines are never so attractive as when planted among Iris. Their airy little blooms flutter in saucy contrast to the military erectness of the Iris.

Then too, the biennials that need renewing every year or so may have caused bare places in the border that are quite evident now that growth has started. New varieties should be planted so that all vacant spaces will be eliminated before summer comes.—Charles Fiore Nurseries.

CHURCH HAS MEETING

The Kenilworth Union church held its annual dinner and business meeting on Wednesday evening of this week with a large attendance. Reports were made by the officers of both Church and Sunday school.



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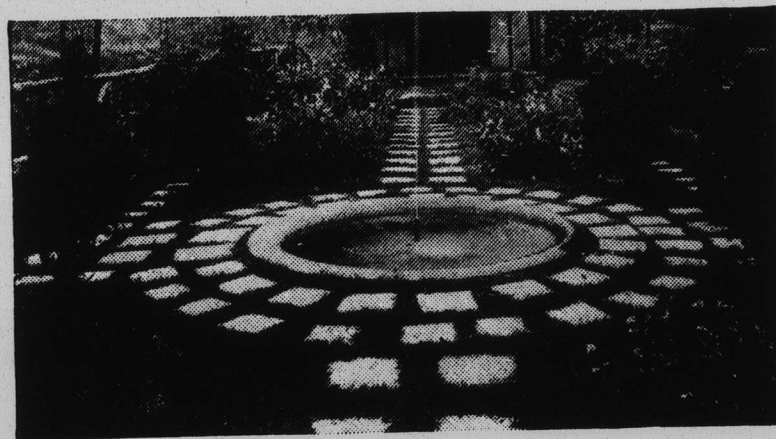


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