

Personality Preview

UNUSUAL STORIES about USUAL PEOPLE

By ANNA TAMARRI

He says he has nothing unusual. But he's only got 2,500 pansies, each the size of the palm of your hand. He's only made himself a completely equipped greenhouse. He's only designed his own rustic garden. He's only made his house a joy and thing of beauty forever. And the secret of it all, Lawrence Abt of 1411 Briar Lane, claims, is planning one project for every year. Once it was the hedge, the next year the fence, this last fall the garden.

Net result—his place is different. From every corner of it he extracts the maximum pleasure. He has raspberry and currant bushes outside his fenced garden, for fruit and the profuse and longer bloom. Behind the long line of poplars is the vegetable garden where there are two rows of black walnut trees that some day will become a beautiful grove to grace the house. Off to the back is a henhouse that shelters 200 chickens. Back of the garage is his electrified greenhouse, self-improvised, where with humor and peat moss he starts all the annuals that populate his garden, snapdragons, pinks, asters, petunias, verbena, dahlias grown from his own seed, coxcomb, cornflower, marigolds, that just now form beds of riotous colors. Biennials too are transplanted from the greenhouse to outdoor beds, where two cold frames, divided each into six compartments,

complete with thermometer and sun shades, house them until frost.

The whole place follows the principle of self-sufficiency. There's corn, peppers, tomatoes, rhubarb, beans in the vegetable garden. There's croquet on the lawn. There's a bird bath. There's even a miniature house for his son, who tends his own 2 by 4 flower garden when he's not busy flying kites in the pasture. Sonny's official capacity in the household is "first assistant."

Oh, Mr. Abt hasn't always won his battles. He tried sweet peas for a long while, but the climate proved too cool for them, and now they've passed into the realm of "jokes." His fruit trees, bought in pairs, are missing one apple tree, and the currants aren't doing so well this year. But he certainly gets a "wallop" out of it all. At nights and on weekends, as a matter of fact, he prefers playing "gentleman farmer" to playing golf, the usual pabulum of city workers.

One mile west of Highland Park proper, he lives on six acres at the end of a lane—where hustle and bustle is shut out. And he's always happy to show you around, to share the delights of his acreage. And he's just as liable as not to send you away with a dozen eggs and fresh corn, and the only time he'll neglect you is when he has to feed the chickens.

Body of Soldier Drowned Wednesday Has Not Been Found

As yet no trace of the body of a Fort Sheridan private who was drowned last Wednesday evening in Lake Michigan when a home-made six-foot sailboat filled with water three miles off the local water front has been found. Two companions who accompanied him on the trip were rescued.

The victim was Private Glen E. Klug, 19, of Chicago, and his two companions Pestalozzi, 19, and John Wachewicz, 21.

According to army authorities, the three young men, all members of headquarters company, twelfth brigade, had set sail from Fort Sheri-

dan early in the evening, in their home-made craft.

They stopped for a short time at North Shore Yacht club harbor at Park avenue, and then headed directly east into the lake. About three miles out, the canvas covered sailboat began to fill with water.

One of the trio suggested overturning the boat to keep it from sinking, which was done immediately. Wachewicz, who was a fairly good swimmer, then said he would attempt to reach a visible yacht for aid.

Later Pestalozzi and Klug also abandoned their boat to try to swim to shore. Pestalozzi, who believed that Klug was swimming directly behind him, was picked up by two Highland Park men, Lorrain Thom, 642 Central avenue, and George Howe, 654 Central avenue, who were

according to Judge Eldert.

The dogs already entered for the event run the gamut of sizes and breeds from Toy Manchester to Great Danes.

Among the interesting events scheduled for the dog show are the children's classes for boys and girls between the ages of eight and sixteen and the obedience classes, which will be divided to include utility and novice classes, as well as an open event in discipline.

The entry lists will close at midnight on September 10 and all dog owners who plan to register their dogs for the show are urged to do so at once with Mrs. Berndalyn Kewley, secretary of the club, at 1055 Granville avenue, Chicago, or by calling Briergate 6200.

All Breed Dog Show At Onwentsia Club Sunday, Sept. 17th

With registrations pouring in for the Shore Land Kennel Club's all breed dog show, to be staged at the Riding Hall at Onwentsia Country Club on Sunday, September 17, the North Shore is preparing to become a one-day metropolis, according to Judge F. E. Eldert, of Northbrook, the club's president.

An estimated total of 700 dogs, representing every breed and size, shape and description recognized by the American Kennel Club, are expected to vie for ribbons, trophies and points in the Onwentsia judging ring in Lake Forest.

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