BETWEEN DIALS

By GAGER WASEY

Congratulations to the Voice of Eperience for his talk the other day against the unfair tax proposal on margarine.

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Ted Husing deserves a boost for his book Ten Years Before the Mike. To anyone who is interested in the background and growth of radio, this book is vastly amusing and enjoyable as it gives much of the lowdown on radio broadcasting and is very easy reading.

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Did you know the man behind the formula of Bost Toothpaste (the toothpaste that is called the smoker's friend' never smokes? Bost, by way, presents Jacob Tarshish, the Lamplighter, every Sunday afternoon over W. O. R. from 2:30 to 3:00 P. M.

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Inmates of Sing Sing prison prefer most the programmes which concern home and family life. There's no accounting for taste.

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Much criticism has lately been given both over the air and in the press against government interference in radio policies. A good deal of it without doubt has been justified. On the other hand the finger of the government in radio over here is a mere shadow compared to the strangle hold European powers have on broadcasting in their own countries. Over there they give you what they think you should have and you take it and like it.

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For the first time in over six years news commentator Boake Carter missed his evening broadcast by a nose. He was in bed with a cold.

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They say that John S. Young has parted definitely with his N. B. C. affiliations since he has become feed man for Ed Wynn and has associated himself with the advertising company directing that new Columbia show with a reported salary of $500 per week.

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By the way the Lamplighter is now one of the biggest pullers of mail on the Mutual broadcasting network. Requests for his daily talks average close to 40,000 letters a month. During the week he is on the air at W. O. R. from Monday through Thursday at 11:15 to 11:30 A. M.

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Tickets of admission to outstanding radio shows have always been difficult to obtain and now recently there has been a flood of counterfeit tickets being presented; especially for such broadcasts as Fred Allen's Town Hall, Ben Bernie and the Rudy Valley shows.

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Those who listen to the Barn Dance broadcast every Saturday night know Lulu Belle. The other evening during the show she consumed at least six bananas. Just another customer for the sponsor.

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The Columbia network has always had difficulty in getting sponsors to buy time on Thursday evening opposite the Vallee Hour Maxwell House Show Boat and the other big N. B. C. shows that follow. Latest reports are that there is a possibility that a prominent automobile manufacture may put Alexander Gray with Mark Warnow's orchestra and chorus on the air opposite the first half hour of the Vallee program. That's like the fellow who kept hitting his head against a stone wall because it felt so good when he stopped.

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Captain Henry (Frank McIntyre) of the radio show boat despite his girth eats only one meal a day but it's plenty. Singing Sam the Barbarsol man, is standing up overtime these days as he turned out to be a better singer than skier.

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Three persons interviewed the other day as to what gas company sponsored Ed Wynn when he was the Fire Chief named Esso, Socony and Ethyl. That should please Texaco.

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The Feenamint Amateur hour over the Mutual network except station W. O. R. will also be on that station beginning April 15. At present their New York Station is WINS.

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Listeners should take full advantage of all the enjoyable programs on the air now; as by summer time the ether will be full of static otherwise called political speeches from convention time until the November election. I wonder whether anyone has thought of sponsoring either party!

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After the V. of E. had burned up over 3,000,000 confession letters some time ago, a California radio columnist cracked back that the Voice would have done better if he had burned the answers in reply to them before he ever answered them. And was the man of Experience burned up. So much in fact that last week he spent practically one whole broadcast telling the lad from the west coast and his paper just what he thought of him. Whose face is red now?

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A new modern radio broadcasting studio (W. A. B. C.) has just been recently completed over in the Columbia Broadcasting Building. It is designed, I understand, primarily as a test studio with all of the latest equipment. The joker in it all is that its control room is equipped with R. C. A. (N. B. C.) technical apparatus.

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Everything seems to run in circles and that goes for commercial broadcasting methods too. Barbarsol, a couple years ago, used to give away free an automobile on every broadcast, and now the Ed Wynn air show is doing the same thing. So be sure to listen in on Thursday evenings at 9:30 over the Columbia network and maybe you might win yourself one of those new gas buggies. If you should—congratulations.

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On any Sunday evening Major Bowes' amateur hour will net the telephone company about 18,000 extra phone calls from listeners sending in their votes. On the other hand on any Amos 'an Andy program the telephone calls in all parts of the country will be less than 50% the usual number of calls. The answer to that is, so what?

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A network made mention the other day that stations were receiving more mail lately but failed to say whether same letters were of praise or condemnation. In either case Jim Farley shouldn't be mad.

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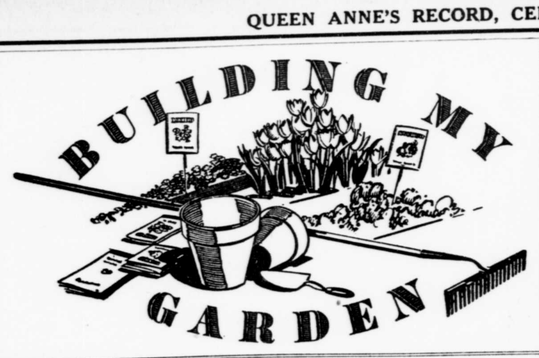
Everybody seems to be having amateur programmes of some kind or another these days. Paul Whiteman, who discovered Morton Downey, Helen Jepson and Mildred Bailey, has taken to the road in search of new talent. Having left recently on a nation-wide tour, he will visit a different city each week and will feature his "possibility" on his musical varieties program. (Sunday evenings, NBC-WJZ net work).



NATIVE AMERICAN FLOWERS

As we walk about our gardens, large or small, we are greeted by nods and smiles from a large group of cosmopolitans from all parts of the world. Here we find a charming friend from Mexico, a bit further on a beautiful immigrant from Japan and hobnobbing with her is one which claims Africa as a homeland. They have become good American citizens and settled down to a most happy existence in our gardens. They are the flowers which have been brought to us from all parts of the world.

We, in America, however, might have gardens without bringing into them any of the plants from foreign ports. America is the homeland of many choice flower treasures and many of these natives have been developed by hybridization from modest wildlings to large, showy garden subjects.

Perhaps the phlox is the most outstanding example of a native American plant and the improvement which may be made through breeding the selection. This plant was appreciated in Europe long before America recognized its charm or its possibilities. Perhaps the early Americans were too busy shaping the new nation to pay much attention to its blossoms; but naturalists of the Old World turned eagerly to the new country, both for flowering plants and plants of commercial value. The wild lavender phlox paniculata from Pennsylvania and phlox maculata, a near relative from the Great Lakes region were sent to Europe long ago and are undoubtedly the parents of our perennial garden phloxes of today. Phlox Drummondi, the brilliantly colored annual phlox, was discovered in Texas by a Mr. Drummond, who sent seeds of the plant to Scotland where they were planted and developed.

California Poppy

Another interesting American plant is the state flower of California, the California poppy or Eschscholzia. On board a Russian vessel which sailed around the world in 1820 were two men, Johann Friedrich Eschscholtzia a noted Russian naturalist, and Adelbert von Chamisso, a botanist, whose birthplace was France, but who had been driven to Germany by the French Revolution. The Russian vessel sailed along the California coast and Chamisso went ashore at some small port. He returned to the vessel carrying a great sheaf of golden yellow flowers which he showed to Dr. Eschscholtz saying "Here is a splendid flower, new to science, and I am going to name it for you."

Another state flower, that of Montana, is also an American native. It was named Lewisa, in honor of Captain Lewis of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, but is also known as bitter root. Various species and hybrids of this flower are becoming popular in our gardens.

America has given us many fine native lilies, prominent among them Lilium Humboldt; L. pardalinum, commonly called the leopard lily; the American Turk's-cap, L. superbum of eastern North America and L. Washingtonianum of the mountainous regions of California and Oregon.

Mariposa Lily

The Calochortus of Mariposa lily is one of the most beautiful of our western wild flowers and is a lovely garden subject in the garden which can provide the proper soil and climatic conditions.

Camassis is a bulbous plant of western states and some of its species are very beautiful. It had its practical uses too when the Indians used the bulbs of one species, which they called quamash, as a staple food.

A bulbous plant found in some of our warmer states as Texas, Florida, Alabama, etc., is the fairy lily, Zephyranthes.

Other natives which have become garden subjects include the gaillardia or blanket flower, godetia, the annual which bloms so freely in poor soil, the coreopsis or tickseed with its golden yellow flowers, the monardas, which are also known as oswego-tea, horse-mint, bee-balm and bergamot, the physostegia or false dragonhead, liatris, sometimes called blazing star, Kansas gay feather or button snakeroot.

Several American natives are also found in Mexico, among them the militant yucca, the heuchera and the houstonias.

Adding to Beauty of World

Of many other plants a large number of species are found in America. The hardy asters or Michaelmas daisies are found in various temperate zones, but the greater number of the species are found in America, include the lupines, pentstemons, antirrthinums and aquilegias, as well as various shrubs, such as dogwoods and honeysuckles. We think of solidago or goldenrod as largely American, but it also has many species in Europe and northen Asia.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to the plant hunters who have gone into all parts of the world and brought back treasures for our gardens and also to the men and women who have put much effort into improving existing varieties of various species. Often their reward has been little more than their own satisfaction in work well done and the inner knowledge that they were helping to add something of beauty to the world.

CARE OF LAWN

A top dressing of nitrogenous fertilizer, applied during March and once or twice more during the remainder of the year will be found helpful in maintaining a good lawn, according to Walter R. Ballard, horticulturist for the University of Maryland Extension Service. It is especially important to get this fertilizer on at an early date because many lawn grasses make their best growth from the middle of March on.

The maintenance of a good lawn is a perennial problem in many sections of Maryland. This is largely a result of poor seedbed preparation, bad drainage, and lack of phosphate fertilizers at seeding time. If phosphate fertilizers were not applied at the time the bed was seeded they should not be put on as top dressing material for they do not move down through the soil readily. Nitrate of soda or sulphate of ammonia make good top dressing material.

Three or four pounds of this fertilizer should be applied to every one thousand square feet of lawn. The fertilizer is mixed with three or four times the same quantity of leaf mold, well-rotted manure, or compost. This will make the fertilizer easier to distribute and also there will be less danger of harming the grass.

SPRAYING

If you have any fruit trees, grapes or any ornamental shrubs or trees that might need spraying now is the time to do it. Your best dormant spray is of course lime-sulphur and it should be put on in March before the buds start to swell. Those of you who have orchards of course should be accurate and I would suggest you obtain a spray calendar from the state Entomologist at College Park. This article, however is particularly for those of you who have just a few trees. The lime-sulphur is useful in controlling scales, mildews and will destroy many of the insect egg masses in the tree crotches. Fungus diseases are controlled with lime-sulphur. For the small garden it is suggested that the gardener buy the small packages of ready mixed dust to which the proper amount of water can be added as per directions.

Spray the plants so that a good coverage of twigs is obtained, pick out a quiet, fairly warm day, and if there are any filthy clogged crotches in the trees scrape them clean first of all rubbishy bark.

After you have taken care of your fruit trees take a look around the garden and if you have any scale on any of the following trees and shrubs spray them too. Scale is sometimes found on Lilacs, flowering crabs, cherries, and peaches, on Japonicas or Japanese Quince (which is the most used common name), on Silver Maples and some others. It will pay to look over the whole garden, you know. While looking over the garden should you see some scale on your Junipers, your Evonymus or some other of your evergreens don't spray them with lime-sulphur. It is best to spray evergreens infested with scale later in the year and it is recommended you use one of the oil sprays.

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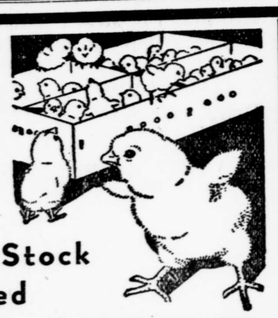

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GRASONVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Smith, Herbert Jr., and Campbell Dickens, of Glenside, Pa., Messrs. Claude Robinson and Earle Smith, of Byn Athyn, Pa., and Miss May Cooper, of Baltimore, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith.

Mrs. Walter Jewell is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clara Kohler in Baltimore.

Mr. Edward Smith was a Baltimore visitor this week.

Mr. Wright Haddaway, of Baltimore, was the guest of his parents for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bosse and daughter, Garnetta, of Baltimore, were week-end vistiors of Mrs. Sadie Tolson and family.

Mrs. Eva Salloway is the guest of relatives and friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. Helen King spent a few days last week in Baltimore.

Mr. Carey Saddler and son Percy were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dashiell at Readbourne, near Centreville.

Mrs. Susie Horney is visiting in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collier and sons Jean and Francis, of Easton, were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Collier.

Mrs. Mary Ireland spent last Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Ford, of Marcus Hook, Pa., spent a few days last week at their home in town.

Mrs. Herman Thompson was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hillen Kohler in Baltimore last week.

Mrs. Harry Bryan and daughters Mary Lou and Donna Mae, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sensenny and son, Collins, in Stevensville.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmit Schaller and family, of Baltimore, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Horney and family.

Misses Beulah and Virginia King, of Western Maryland College and Maryland State Teachers School, Towson, passed the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard King.

Mrs. Janie Saddler spent a few days this week in Washington, D. C., with her sister, Miss Eleanor Horney.

BARCLAY

Don't forget the benefit supper here Friday for the Kent-Queen Anne's General Hospital. If weather is inclement it will be held Saturday evening.

Mrs. Annie Phillips returned home Saturday after spending the past two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ervin in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin and Mr. Jesse C. Phillips spent the day in town.

Miss Marie Regester, of Washington College, is spending the spring vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. T. H. Cecil and Mr. Cecil.

Mrs. E. S. Graham, Mrs. J. L. Wallace, Mrs. John Ware and Miss Thelma Ware are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Butler, near Bel Air, for several days.

Mrs. Catherine Nickerson and son, Mr. J. L. Nickerson, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nickerson and family.

Mrs. Esther Taylor and children Jane and Reese, Jr., of Wilmington, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Taylor.

Master Earl Price was the overnight guest Wednesday of Master Leroy Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Caldwell, of Camden, N. J., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel McGinnis.

Mr. George Price is very ill at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Price.

Mr. Charles Coursey of the CCC Camp, Beltsville, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coursey, for a few days.

WYE MILLS

Mrs. Carey Jewell returned home Monday after spending the past week with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Edenfield at Elsemere. She attended the M. E. Conference at Delmar during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClyment and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Denny visited relatives on Kent Island Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Price, Jr., of Laurel, Del., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Price, Sunday.

Mr. Carey Jewell was a Sunday visitor in Grasonville.

Mr. D. B. Wolcott attended Conference at Delmar, Friday as delegate from this charge.

Mr. and Mrs. John McFarlan, of Centreville visited Mrs. Linnie Roe, Sunday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. William E. Roe.

Mrs. Bessie Sewell was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Emma Orrell.

Mr. George Blakeslee was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blakeslee. He returned to his home in Washington, D. C. Monday.

Miss Doris McClintock spent several days last week with Miss Mary Elizabeth Rathell.

Mrs. Alton Timms visited Mrs. Percy Allen, Monday.

Mr. Schaefer, of Palisade, N. J., is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Wolcott.

Mr. Herman Orrell, Mr. Alfred Covington and Mr. Jack Dodd attended an Odd Fellows meeting in Wilmington Monday evening.

Back from New York, George Burns and Gracie Allen are preparing to make "Turn Off the Moon".

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