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FLOWER: IRIS



A door may open anywhere;
Upon a wood or path or lawn
Or crowded street or road, or there
Where none pass by from dawn to dawn;
But, if you'd have a mind at peace,
A heart that cannot harden,
Go find a door that opens wide
Upon a little garden.—*E. M. Boulton*.



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To
MRS. WILLIAM C. ROSS
and
MRS. FRED GREER
who have given us a broader vision and
inspired us to greater efforts
this little book
is
affectionately dedicated.

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"Go, little book and wish to all
Flowers in the garden. . ."

—R. L. Stevenson.

DECEMBER 5th:

Conservation of Our Native Greens—PROF.
A. C. ADAMS, Professor of Botany, King
College.

Preparation and Arrangement of Christmas
Greens—MRS. ARTHUR KING.

*A wind among the pines; it shook
The clinging music from their boughs.*
—Shelly.

JANUARY 23rd:

Bird Life in the Garden—MRS. HARRY P.
IJAMS.

*Sweet bird! thy bower is ever green, thy sky is ever clear;
Thou hast no sorrow in thy song, no winter in thy year!
Oh! could I fly, I'd fly with thee! we'd make, with
joyful wing,
Our annual visit o'er the globe, attendants on the spring.*

—Logan.

FEBRUARY 27th:

Sprays and Pest Control—MR. OWEN WOOD.

AN INVITATION

"Won't you walk into my garden?" said the Beetle to
the Bug,

"It's a pleasant cafeteria at which to fill your mug.
See how eagerly the Aphis and the Borers all advance,
They are pressing for an invite to the Season's Supper
Dance;

Only those with a devouring love of Nature are allowed—
Will you, won't you, will you, won't you—will you
join the crowd?

"The roots are rich and succulent, the leaves a tender
green;

The flowers to be appreciated, really must be seen;
Don't think about your figure, and your diet—and all
that;

For food so good it really would quite pay you to grow fat.
So throw away the calory list—forget that pounds
mount up—

Will you, won't you, will you, won't you—won't you
bite and sup?"

MARCH 27th:

Garden Club Special—Guest Speakers.

*Oh, the green things growing, the green things growing,
The faint sweet smell of the green things growing!
I should like to live, whether I smile or grieve,
Just to watch the happy life of my green things growing.*

*I love them, I love them so—my green things growing!
And I think that they love me, without false showing;
For by many a tender touch, they comfort me so much,
With the soft mute comfort of green things growing.*

—Dinah Maria Mulock.

APRIL 24th:

Native Flowers and Shrubs of Our Region—
DR. H. M. JENNISON, *Professor of Botany,*
University of Tennessee.

'Tis sweet, in the green spring,
To gaze upon the wakening fields around;
Birds in the thicket sing,
Winds whisper, waters prattle from the ground,
A thousand odors rise,
Breathed up from blossoms of a thousand dyes.

—Bryant.

MAY 22nd:

Trees—E. C. M. RICHARDS, Chief Forester of
the T. V. A.

Where in Bristol are our Most Beautiful Trees?

The tree—in May's loveliness, in summer's quiet wonder, in autumn's decline, in naked slumbering winter grace. And everywhere, lovely in all its guises—the tree, the tree.

—Walter de la Mare.

I am struck by the fact that the more slowly trees grow at first, the sounder they are at the core, and I think the same of human beings.

—Thoreau.

JUNE 26th:

Field Day.

*They come! the merry summer months of beauty, song,
and flowers;*

*They come! the gladsome months that bring thick leafi-
ness to bowers.*

—William Motherwell.

*Far richer than a thornless rose
Whose branch with beauty never glows,
Is that which every June adorns
With perfect bloom among its thorns.*

—Van Dyke.

JULY 24th:

Lecture and Slides—MISS EDITH BLACKWELL.

My garden, with its silence and the pulses of fragrance that come and go on the airy undulations, affects me like sweet music. Care stops at the gates, and gazes at me wistfully through the bars. Among my flowers and trees, Nature takes me into her own hands, and I breathe freely as the first man.

—Alexander Smith.

AUGUST 28th:

Autumn Division and Transplanting—Mrs.

JAKE AARON.

Discussion Leader—Mrs. HARDIN REYNOLDS.

*Flower in the crannied wall,
I pluck you out of the crannies,
I hold you here, root and all, in my hand,
Little flower—but if I could understand
What you are, root and all, and all in all,
I should know what God and man is.*

—Tennyson.

SEPTEMBER 25th:

Fall Planting for Color Effects—MRS. THOS.
F. STALEY, SR.

Discussion Leader—MRS. JAMES WYMAN.

*And Autumn laying here and there
A fiery finger on the leaves;*

—Tennyson.

*A silken curtain veils the skies,
And half conceals from pensive eyes
The bronzing tokens of the fall;
A calmness broods upon the hills,
And summer's parting dream distills
A charm of silence over all.*

—Henry Van Dyke.

OCTOBER 23rd:

The Value of Design in the Garden—MR.
CHAPMAN GOODWYN.

A garden is a lovesome thing, God wot!

Rose plot,

Fringed pool,

Fern'd grot—

The veriest school

Of peace; and yet the fool

Contends that God is not—

Not God! in gardens! when the eve is cool?

Nay, but I have a sign;

'Tis very sure God walks in mine.

—*Thomas Edward Brown.*

FLOWER SHOW AND EXHIBITS

Because of the variable conditions of the seasons, the Program Committee has deemed it unwise to set a date for the Spring Flower Show or to include in this Year Book the lists of the monthly exhibits. These will be announced at club meetings and through the press throughout the year. A few rules to bear in mind with reference to the competitive monthly exhibits are:

RULES

I.

All exhibits must be at place of club meeting ready to be judged one hour before the meetings.

II.

Attach a small plain envelope to your entry, outside have your number, inside have your name, telephone number and address.

III.

The committee in charge will endeavor to take the best care possible of all entries, but they will not, in any way, be responsible for them.

IV.

Only Garden Club members will be permitted to make entries in the monthly exhibits.

This Year Book was made possible through an outstanding concern in our community which is wholeheartedly in sympathy with our program to promote more attractive home surroundings and to stress the conservation and preservation of our native flowers, trees, shrubs and birds.

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