



ATTENDING THE PLYMOUTH branch of Women's National Farm and Garden Association Tri-City Club Luncheon were Mrs. Edwin Schrader, Mrs. A. D. Johanson, and Mrs. Sterling Eaton.

Garden Through The Ages

Plymouth branch of Women's National Farm and Garden Association hosted a Tri City Club Luncheon on Tuesday. Ladies from Plymouth, Northville, and Rosedale Garden branches turned out in fashions of the day; with spring bonnets of every size and shape.

Mrs. J. B. Kinahan from Livonia wore a daisy covered chapeau setting off her smart black dress. Mrs. Lois Alexander from Northville was wearing a white flowered number and Mrs. Harry Gelchly, guest of the day, wore a blue and white striped dress. Mrs. Schreder from Plymouth was attired in a moss green silk suit. One could not help notice Mrs. James Starr with a large brimmed sheer black number.

Centering each table an attractive milk glass dish containing hand rolled satin rose buds became the gift of a lucky lady at each table.

Mrs. George Rowland handled the introductions of officers and guest speaker, Robert Liechart from the art department of the University of Michigan.

Professor Liechart discussed the beginning of gardens from the primitive day, through the Roman era, the Renaissance, the 18th century and up through the well planned gardens of today.

The field of art, music and flowers by close comparison was defined. "The beauty of the nation rests with groups such as this," quoted Liechart, the sudden burst of population will bring a great change in the next 40 years. Union of home and garden in limited space will be a challenge.

Women attending today will be seen with hoe in hand and garden gloves producing beauty spots for their communities.

Our Queen of Hearts Sees Fabulous Easter Parade in New York City

BY FAITH GILLESPIE

On Easter Day in New York City, an ancient ritual is observed. Since I happened to be there, I observed the observance for the Observer. It is known as the Easter Parade. What happens is that barricades are set up along Fifth Avenue, starting just south of Central Park. Traffic is abolished, policemen are in attendance, and all day long the natives and their visitors, in festive attire, produce a spontaneous demonstration.

There are not just a few people strolling here and there in their Easter finery, window shopping on their way home from church. No indeed. There are crowds, throngs, hordes of people, swarming, packing the sidewalks and street, teeming. There is no traffic pattern. Everyone ambles aimlessly, it seems, laughing and talking and looking at one another. Up and down the avenue they go, as far as the eye can see.

There were men in flashy sport coats and in morning clothes, dressed to be looked at, with top hats and homburgs and flowers in buttonholes.

There were clusters of young teens in fancy hats and brightly colored hose. There were women in furs and girls in slacks, and there were a wealth of little bunched, bearded and beardless. There were go-go boots and cowboy boots and motorcycle boots, with costumes to match. There were dogs with little sweaters in the colors of their owners' coats. There was a couple in green-old, turn-of-the-century clothing, with a chetel on a leash.

There were citizens of foreign countries, and whole families in nearly identical outfits, and little children in bunny

suits, inviting photographs. Everywhere people were taking pictures of people taking pictures.

A popular subject for picture-taking was an extraordinary hat, a hat among hats, that looked like an Easter egg mobile. An enormous daffodil hat drew notice, and a great poppy . . . the variety of hats seemed limitless.

Sometimes the police brought things to a halt to allow cross town traffic through. In other places, the parade slowed down for minor side demonstrations: an anti-war group kept getting lost in the crush, and a shouting evangelist in clerical collar and top hat attracted a few people by waving a Bible in one hand and a large American flag in the other.

The crowd was so dense in spots that it was difficult to move. I heard a gray-haired man in striped trousers say to two ladies with him (wife and mother-in-law), "You walk on ahead, and I'll keep in touch."

As long as you stand on the corner and just watch, you can be above it all, but when you submit to the irresistible urge to start walking, your position of superiority is gone and you become part of the Rite.

That is what it is, the Rite of Spring. I don't know why the people do it. It may be because spring is welcomed and the day is fine and it is fun to see your neighbors, whether you know them or not.

It may be because we all have deep in us some primal urges that emerge at this time of year, and that is how the cliff-dwellers of Manhattan express their

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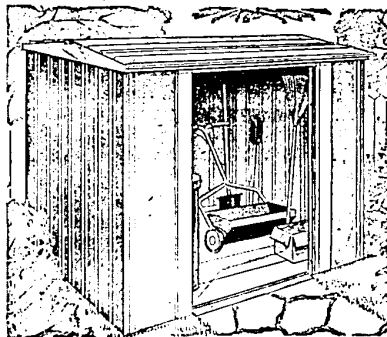
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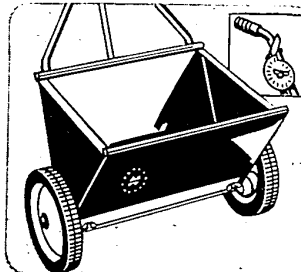
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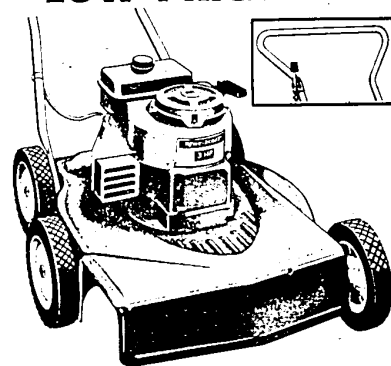
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