

in, and as they have long been accustomed to it, it will be specially acceptable. The wild red raspberry is much frequented and desired by some birds. Currants, while not particularly desirable would doubtless add to the general attractiveness of the jungle. Then there should be climbers, particularly the two bitter sweets, the climbing bitter sweet and the annual one. But the best and most useful climber of all is the wild grape. Plant these beside a brush heap and they will soon cover it and make ideal protection for many of the seed eaters, and food for larger birds. Small willows are not only desirable as providers of insects, but also because of the ease with which they take root and grow.

There is no good reason why some ornamental shrubs should not be used, particularly on the sides facing the house and road. *Spirea Van Houtte*, (the Bridal Wreath) Lilacs, *Philadelphus* or Mock Orange, *Exochorda*, and others, could be used with advantage and beautiful effect, moreover, many of these are already popular with the birds we are trying to attract. And while some objection may be raised to them on the score of expense, yet that objection does not apply to lilacs, which sucker freely; so that one can obtain a hundred small plants by digging and dividing a single old one.

Consideration should be paid to the future appearance from the farm house; the tallest growing plants should be farthest away, the height graduating down, with only very dwarf things on the side next the house. This plan will give a much more extended view from the house, than if high vegetation is placed on the side next the house.

All these trees and shrubs should be planted not closer together than ten feet, unless enthusiasm and opportunity are unusual, and if so planted, it will be five to ten years before any require to be taken out. When they grow into one another, it would be well to remove some of them, as by that time the birds would have ample cover.

At first there will appear to be a great deal of unused space, and such might be planted to millet and buckwheat. This would of course apply only to the first season as after that it should be left so that the shrubs could have their own way.

Two weeds whose seeds are very much admired by winter birds are ragweed and pigweed. If a patch of these weeds is planted, it should be on the house side and not closer than twenty or thirty feet from the edge of the jungle, so as to prevent the weeds from spreading into the neighboring cultivated land. When the first year's growth has taken place there is little danger of the spreading of such weeds over what will then be uncultivated ground.