

PROPER TIME TO SOW SEEDS IN HOME VEGETABLE GARDEN

Seed Should Generally be Put in as Soon as Ground is Ready for Spring; Nitrate of Soda Used to Advantage

Radish.
Radish seed may be sown as early as the ground is ready. It may be sown in three different ways. First, where we are using hand cultivation the rows are one foot apart, the seed being planted one-half inch deep, and ten seeds to the inch. Second, planting in rows four inches apart and four seeds to the inch. Third, broadcasting over a strip one foot wide. These two latter methods can only be used where the ground is clean and rich. Nitrate of soda may be used to good advantage when the bulbs are beginning to form. Radish may also be planted with carrots and parsnips which are slow to germinate. They will be pulled before the other crops require the ground. Use No Plus Ultra, Rosy Gem, Scarlet Turnip, White Tip and White Icicle varieties.

Lettuce.
There are two groups of lettuce commonly grown in the small garden. One called leaf lettuce, the best known variety of which is Grand Rapids, the other the cabbage or head lettuce, of which there are two types, the smooth leaf, like the Big Boston, and the curly leaf like the Hansel. Lettuce can be sown in the field generally about the last of April or the beginning of May. The seed should be scattered thinly in a furrow about one-half inch deep. Leaf lettuce is generally sown earliest, as it comes to maturity much more quickly. The young thinnings may be used as greens after the plants are 3-4 inches high. To get results of this type should be thinned to 3-6 inches. The plants being first thinned to 3 inches and then later to 6 inches. Head lettuce may be sown directly in the field, and the thinnings can be transplanted to other places. To get the finest heads the plants should be 6-8 inches apart. A small amount of lettuce seed of both types should be started in the hotbed 4-6 weeks before we are able to plant in the field. This is given one transplanting 2 inches apart each way. These plants if properly hardened off will be ready for setting in the field from May 1st-15th. If one wishes to grow good head lettuce during the hot weather he should build a frame about 18 inches high over the bed and cover it with cheese cloth. It can be made 6 feet high if one wishes to work under it without bending down. If he keeps it properly watered, he will find the lettuce very tender at all times. A little nitrate of soda scattered along the rows when the plants are well above ground will hasten the growth.

Spinach.
Spinach may be planted as soon as the soil is in good shape. Thin out when 3-4 inches high, to 4-6 inches, using the young plants as first greens. This is another plant which is benefited by an application of nitrate of soda. A second growing of spinach may be made in August to give us a crop of greens during the fall.

Parsnips.
Parsnips require a long season of growth. For this reason we should sow the seed at the same time that we do that of the early vegetables. The soil should be deep and rich as

for carrots, with sufficient moisture. They should be thinned to three or four inches apart to give them a chance to develop a large crown. They are stored during winter the same as beets.

Beets.
Beets should be planted at two seasons. Sow the seed of Egyptian as soon as you get the ground ready in the spring. This crop may be made still earlier by starting the seed in a hotbed, giving the seedlings one transplanting to one inch apart each way, and then setting in the field when properly hardened, 2 inches apart in the row. This will give some extra early beets that will more than pay for the extra labor. Late beet seed is generally sown about June 1st. This gives us our fall and winter supply. If the plants are thinned to 2-3 inches apart it will give us a more uniform size and higher quality, but beets should never be allowed to suffer any check, as this tends to produce fibre or hardening of the beet tissue.

Carrots.
Carrots, like beets, are planted at two different times, in the year, the first as soon as the ground is ready. They prefer a soil that is deep, rich with sufficient moisture and well fined, to give them an even root development. As the seed is rather slow to germinate, a few radish seeds may be scattered along the row to mark it, so that we may cultivate more quickly and keep down the weeds. The radishes will be pulled before they interfere with the growth of the carrots. In a very small garden where we wish to get a few very early carrots we may sow a small amount of seed of the varieties Golden All or Early Scarlet Horn. These are not as good as the Chantenay, the standard variety, but fill in where a few very early are desired. Carrots should be thinned to at least one inch apart if we wish a finer grade. The late crop, which is generally planted about June 1st, should be thinned to 2 inches. The tops should be kept covered to prevent the crown becoming green.

Peas.
Peas may be sown as early as the ground can be prepared, especially the round seeded varieties, like Alaska, which grow to a height of 1-2 ft. This type of pea is not so fine in quality as the wrinkled seeded varieties like Gradus, Thomas Laxton, Sutton's Excelsior, or Stratagem. The first three are among the earliest of the wrinkled sorts. Stratagem is a later variety. Gradus and Thomas Laxton grow to a height of 3 or 3 1/2 ft., and may require to be staked or brushed, especially if we wish to cultivate near the row. Sutton's Excelsior grows about two feet high, and it generally remains upright until weighed down by the pods. It is well to make successive sowings every week or ten days until the middle of June if we desire to have a continual supply of high quality. In sowing the seed, do not place them too close together. The plants that bear the crop should be at least 2 inches apart in the rows. Too many plants tend to give us stem growth instead of pods.

FATE OF BRITISH FLYER A MYSTERY

Capt. Albert Ball, Peerless
Airman, But Nineteen
Years of Age

AVIATOR IS MISSING
Has Record of Over 50 Enemy
Planes Brought
Down

By Perry Robinson
British Headquarters in France, May 17.—The precise number of enemy machines brought down during his career by Captain Albert Ball, of the Royal Flying Corps, aged 19, who has been missing since May 7, is not known. There are records of 41 certain, and 10 more probably certain, also a large number of probabilities. Beyond doubt his was the most wonderful series of victories yet achieved by a flying man of any nation. No news of him has been received since his failure to return from his last expedition. So far as known the facts are as follows:
"On the evening of May 7 he was seen to go out in company with another machine flown by a pilot called 'M.' They met an enemy machine, which they drove down, riddled with bullets. Then a party of four Germans hovered in sight. The British fliers promptly closed. 'M' found one enemy machine in such a favorable position that he was practically at its mercy, so he put his own machine into spin and began to go down. It must have been an unpleasant experience, but it was successful in shaking off the enemy. 'M' regained control of his machine, climbed again, re-covered the fight, and tackled one of the Germans. After a long fight he sent it crashing to the earth. He then turned to engage another machine, but one bullet broke his wrist and another carried away the top of his control lever. Thus crippled he could fight no more, but, though in great pain and unable to control his machine, he managed to get over the lines and land his aeroplane undamaged in our territory and then fainted.
"What happened after 'M' was obliged to leave the field of battle is a mystery. Capt. Ball was then left with three enemy machines to fight. Such odds were nothing new in Ball's experience, for only two days before he had driven down two enemies. To make sure he had gone close to the ground and saw the wrecks lying 400 yards from each other. One of the two had put a bullet into Ball's engine. As no more enemies were in sight he came home. Next day Ball again went out and met a party of four Germans. Promptly diving into the centre of their formation he sent them scattering. He picked out one, chased it, and sent it crashing down. He then looked for others, but they were not fighting that day, and made for home as fast as they could."

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News of St. George

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Mrs. P. Gorman spent the week-end with relatives in Brantford. Mr. and Mrs. John Walley of Fergus are visiting their daughter, Mrs. F. Gorman, in Brantford. Mr. Chas. Durham, of Norwich spent the week-end with relatives. Mr. Wm. Cole and family moved to Brantford on Monday of this week.

Mr. Frank Price and Mr. Ellisworth Warrington of Brantford, were the week-end guests of relatives. Miss Brandon of Paris, spent the week-end with her parents. Miss Jewel Forsythe was the week-end guest of friends in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. William Broughton, Mr. and Mrs. P. Stenebaugh and family and Mr. and Mrs. B. Stenebaugh all of Brantford were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. Drake.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Simpson, of Brantford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Banister. Mr. Leslie Banister, of Toronto, spent the week-end at his home. Mrs. Robbins was the week-end guest of relatives in Brantford. Mr. J. P. Bastendorff, of Milverton arrived on Sunday to spend the summer with his daughter, Mrs. Chas. Herbert.

Mr. P. H. Bastendorff and children of Milverton were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Herbert. On Sunday afternoon last Mr. McNeilly taught the Bible Class of Blue Lake Sunday School held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Little. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Green and family and Mr. Reginald Green of Brantford spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Green.

Miss Belle Mark, of Buffalo is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. G. Watson. Mr. and Mrs. H. Birt have returned to their home in Kalmazoo, after visiting relatives.

BURTCH

(From our own Correspondent)
Mother's Day proved a decided success at our church which was quite prettily decorated. Miss Edith Wheeler sang a solo very sweetly. Rev. Mr. Vale conducted the service which was very impressive. Miss Isabel Chapin was the guest of Miss Gladys Smith on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wheeler and baby, Margaret, were visiting with the former's parents for a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. David Campbell were visiting friends in Newport on Sunday. Quite a number from here attended the funeral of the late John Smith which was held on Friday. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Simington and Master Lloyd, were visiting the former's parents at Hagersville the fore part of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Baker have been visiting friends at Kincardine. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Summers-Hayes were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Minshall on Sunday. Mrs. William Franklin and baby Earl, have returned from Hamilton, where the baby underwent an opera-

News of St. George

tion, and is now doing nicely. The Mission Circle held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Russell, Hartley, on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Arthur Winters taking the subject. A very profitable time was spent by the ladies. Mr. and Mrs. Albert McAlister and family spent Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burtch's. Misses Cora and Minnie McIntyre, Mr. Douglas Eldridge and Mr. Charles Reeder, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Will Eadie on Sunday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Franklin on Monday, May 14th, a son. Miss Esther Wheeler, of Newport, was the guest of Miss Isabel Chapin, on Sunday. A large number of friends and relatives from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Orlo Fawcett, on Wednesday of last week. Miss Hazel Bellhouse and Miss Emma Smith were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Charleton on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. William Franklin and family, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reeder. Miss L. Houlding, spent the week-end at the parental home.

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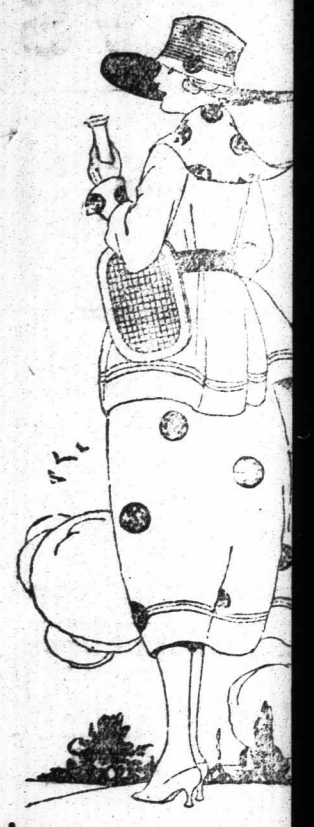
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