

THE MEN'S GARDEN CLUB
SPARTANBURG, S. C.

GARDENETTES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

Now is a good time to clean up gardens and flower beds. If you have a compost pit use it for next spring.

Mulch your shrubs and all vacant places in your beds or gardens. The City will haul one or more loads of leaves to your place if you will call the Street Department. Leaves make good winter mulch which turned under in the spring puts humus and fertilizer into the ground.

Now is a good time to browse through those beautiful garden catalogs and plan your seed and plant orders for next year.

Plants that have been growing out of doors such as geraniums, tuberoses, etc., that these cold nights will kill, take them up and bring into the basement.

If you have a camellia or azaleas that are exposed and subject to frostbite, protect them with light cover. Keep roses dusted or sprayed to control insects and disease.

This is the last call to plant rye grass.

Plant perennials such as daisies, pansies now. You can still plant some bulbs such as dutch bulbs, amaryllis, crinum, baby glads, lilies, ranunculus and sparaxis.

Home orchards should be planted in November or December, dormant trees and vine crops of all kinds. Chinese chestnuts and pecans fruit best when two or more trees are planted to insure cross pollination.

Why not try a few dwarf fruit trees, apples, pears, plums, peaches and cherries?

Prune grapes as soon after frost defoliates the vines, especially the scuppernongs and muscadines.

Roses planted through December do well in this part of the country. The root system gets settled in time for the spring growth.

Don't forget the next meeting of the Club, Monday, November 25th, 7:30 P.M., First Federal Building, North Church Street.

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Merry Christmas to all good gardeners, and to all a Happy 1958.

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It is a good time to prune out old growth of summer and fall flowering deciduous shrubs, but do not prune the spring flowering types.

The new All-America rose selections, as well as the old favorites, are available now. So get your bushes planted while the soil and weather are right.

Spray dormant roses now and again in January or February with lime sulphur to clean up blackspot, mildew, and insects which may winter on canes and dead leaves.

Camellias will benefit from a feeding of azalea and camellia fertilizer. Fertilizing now will produce larger blooms in January or February, and speaking about camellias, drive out the double-lane highway towards Greenville and just beyond Hadden's Station on the south side of the highway upon the hill in the pine mott, J. W. Burdette has camellias in full bloom that are a sight for sore eyes.

Another treat, if you care to drive out to the lawn of Sumter B. Sams on River-Mont Drive, you will see a holly tree that looks more like a pyracantha than a holly, it is so full of berries.

And speaking of pyracanthas, this has been a great fall for them. If you do not have one, plant a dark red one. Nandinas also produce bright red berries for this time of the year.

Troubled with moles? Listen to this from Mrs. E. L. Davenport of North Augusta, "I believe I have solved the mole problem. I used to have labyrinths of mole runs, tried everything suggested with apparently no results. Last year I cut both ends out of cans that had meat products in them (such as dog food) and while moist sprinkled 'sodium fluoride' the poisonous insecticide, all around in them, placed them in the most frequently used mole runs, covered the cans with planks extended out over both ends of the cans to prevent soil from falling into the cans, covered them with soil, and believe it or not, I have never seen 'signs' of moles since, more than a year now".

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