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FOR THE GARDENER

SWEET WILLIAM (Dianthus)

The *Dianthus* family includes such well-known plants as the carnation and pinks. They may be hardy perennials or biennials. In the case of the latter, if one sows early enough under glass it is possible to treat them as annuals, flowering in the same year as sowing. Great interest has been taken in the strain by hybridists and flowers of almost every colour can be obtained, some with fringed petals and nearly all are very fragrant.

The Sweet Williams are a very old and well-established species of the biennial *Dianthus*. Raising them from seed is very simple, just sow outside in ordinary garden soil. Seed sown during the summer should be thinned out as soon as possible and in the autumn set the plants about 12 inches apart in flowering positions and there should be no problems in getting really sturdy plants with plenty of very colourful flower heads. The writer lets his plants seed. When these are ripe he collects them and sows them under glass in early spring. So far he has obtained about 80 per cent germination and really good plants have developed.



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3rd - 6th September	St. Gall	INTERMOEBEL/INTERTAPIS - International Furniture and Carpets Exhibition
5th - 6th September	Zürich	International Shoe Sample Exhibition
5th - 7th September	Basle	INTERFEREX 76 - International Trade Fair for Hardware, Tools, Household Goods
5th - 8th September	Berne	SPISO - Exhibition of Toys, Souvenirs, Boutique-, Christmas- and Winter-Articles
11th - 26th September	Lausanne	COMPTOIR SUISSE - National Fair
12th - 14th September	Zürich	SEHMOD - Swiss Purchase Week for Men's Fashion
15th - 18th September	Zürich	TANK 76 - Swiss Trade Exhibition for Container Construction and Maintenance
19th - 22nd September	Berne	International Furniture Fair LIGAM
20th - 25th September	Berne	SAMA INTERNATIONAL 76 - International Exhibition for Miniaturised Automation
21st - 25th September	Basle	KNIT 76 - International Knitting Machinery Exhibition
23rd Sept. - 3rd Oct.	Zürich	ZUESPA - Zürich Autumn Fair of Household, Housing, Sports and Fashion
24th Sept. - 4th Oct.	Lugano	ARTECASA - Ideal Home Exhibition

LA VOCE DELLA SVIZZERA ITALIANA

LO SPORT TICINESE AGLI ONORI. - *Football*. Ore emozionanti sono state vissute dai "tifosi" ticinesi per la squadra del cuore in un movimentato finale del campionato svizzero di calcio. Procediamo con ordine: nella Lega Nazionale "A", che ora subisce l'amputazione di 2 squadre, il *Lugano*, che nell'incontro finale di domenica, 13 giugno, ha sconfitto lo *Xamax* a Neuchâtel per 1-0,

piazzandosi terz'ultimo, viene relegato nella Lega cadetta, assieme al *Chaux-de-Fonds* e *Bienne*. Per contro nella *LNB*, lo stesso giorno il *Bellinzona* batteva, in casa, il *Martigny* per 4-0, classificandosi 2° a parità di punti col *Lucerna* che era rimasto vittorioso a *Grenchen*. Si rendeva pertanto necessario lo spareggio per decidere la promozione in *LNA*. Questo

aveva luogo martedì, 15 giugno al *Letzigrund* di *Zurigo*, col risultato *Bellinzona-Lucerna* 1-0, dopo una partita "vibrante e stupenda"! I "granata" della Capitale vanno quindi a prendere il posto ticinese lasciato dai "bianconeri" nella nostra massima categoria. In coda alla stessa categoria, il *Chiasso* battendo in casa il *Wettingen* per 2-0 finiva all'11° posto e