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tourism to Britain, having received the Queen's Award to Industry in 1974. Visitors are now welcomed annually from 75 different countries and can make their choice from Anglo-World's amazingly large product range. Whether it is a night on the town in London or a peaceful tour of the Highlands, a tennis course at Oxford or secretarial training at Torquay, Gustav Scheller's Company can provide the answer. Not surprisingly perhaps, the overseas visitor would be equally well looked after if he chose to visit Switzerland where his travel arrangements would be handled by Anglo-World's Zurich office which is run by Gustav Scheller's capable sister, Liz Hosner, at Waedenswil.

Anglo-World celebrated its 15th Anniversary in December 1978, and perhaps its future can best be judged by the theme set for that occasion. Anglo-World was not to be 15 years old but 15 years *young*.

### FESTIVALS AND EXHIBITIONS

Neuchâtel — *Grape Harvest Festival* — 6th and 7th October 1979.

Basle — *Grün 80* — until 12th October 1979, second Swiss exhibition for horticulture and landscape construction.

Basle — INELTEC 79 — 9th–13th October 1979, Exhibition of Industrial Electronics and Electrical Engineering.

# TOURIST NEWS

### MORCOTE — THE WORLD OF 1,001 NIGHTS

A visit to the Parco Scherrer, a former private park now open to the public is a unique experience for visitors to Morcote on the Lake of Lugano. Amid southern vegetation stand a Siamese teahouse, an Egyptian temple, the Palazzina modelled on the Palazzo Salò at Brugine, a copy of the Erechtheion on the Acropolis at Athens, the Casa Araba and an old Ticino house. The gates of these houses of 1,001 nights are opened to the public on Tuesdays. The park can be visited daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### PLANET PATH — ZURICH'S NEW ATTRACTION

Zurich has a new attraction, the four and a half miles long planet path on the Uetliberg. This astronomy instructional path gives the walker, almost in passing, an idea of the solar system with its almost inconceivable distances and of the extent and relative sizes of sun and planets and how the planets revolve round the sun. Another feature of the path: all model planets, except the too-strong sun, are placed on boulders,

information being given on the type of stone, origin and place found. In addition in the "Felsenegg" mountain restaurant there is a mobile miniature planetarium, intended to explain the inter-relation of the celestial mechanics. The walk lasts about two hours; the Selnau-Uetliberg services, returning via Felsenegg-Adliswil-Selnau are frequent and good.

### 750th ANNIVERSARY OF RAPPERSWIL, THE TOWN OF ROSES

This year the St. Gallen town of Rapperswil on the Lake of Zurich — known as the town of roses — is celebrating its 750th anniversary. This town, a favourite destination for excursions, is best reached by ship but there are also very many train services. Attractions of the town include the Castle, with its Polish Museum, the Rose Garden, a stroll through the narrow streets of the old town with their workshops and boutiques and not least the Knie Circus' Children's Zoo which houses more than 400 animals from all over the world.

### THE ALETSCHEG REGION — A PARADISE FOR HIKERS

One of the most impressive wonders of the Alps is the Aletsch Glacier, Europe's biggest river of ice. With its surroundings, it sets its stamp on a unique holiday and hiking region. As a result of the

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widening of numerous footpaths and the provision of new ones, it is now possible to undertake even big walking tours in the Aletsch region dryshod nearly all the year round. A partially new footpath runs at a slight elevation across the left bank of the Rhône at a height of between 2,500 and 3,300 ft from Brig via Mörel and Bister to Grenchols and from there into the Binn Valley. On the other side of the Rotten, walking is possible on snow-free routes at a halfway height of between 3,300 ft and 4,500 ft from Mörel via Breiten to Ried-Greich-Goppisberg-Betten into the Fiesch Valley. In midsummer and autumn the attractions are the walking routes at the height of about 6,600 ft, such as the new path from Belalp across the Aletsch Glacier to Riederalp and Bettmeralp. Walking and natural science weeks are, incidentally, organised on the Riederalp and Bettmeralp.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

The following readers will be celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the next few weeks:-

Mr. H. Humbel will be 74 on 5th October and Madame de Fischer, Berne, will celebrate her birthday on 10th. Mrs. Keufeler on the 18th and Mrs. H. Shepherd will be 77 on the 21st. Dr. E. M. Bircher (Bissone TI) will be 84 on the 22nd and Mrs. Theresa Furrer will be 89 on the 24th. Mr. H.J. Thomson will be 65 on the 25th October and Mr. A. Kunzler will be 83 on the 15th November.

Mr. and Mrs. Reutlinger (Basle) will have their 34th wedding anniversary on 9th October on the same date Mr. and Mrs. E. Bader will have been married for 64 years.

Congratulations and many happy returns to all of them and any other subscribers whose birthdays or anniversaries we are unaware.

## FOR THE GARDENER

### BLACK CURRANT

Young plants should be planted between October and at latest March, November is the ideal month. Plant around 4 ft to 6 ft apart and 1½ in to 2 in deeper than the soil mark as this encourages bottom growth. Immediately after planting cut down ALL shoots to second bud up from soil level and give good manure or compost mulch.

Ideal soil is well drained but moisture retaining into which manure or compost is worked before planting.

Every year in March give good mulch of manure or compost at the rate of two buckets per square yard. In late January feed with 1 oz (one tablespoon) sulphate of potash and every third year add 2 ozs (two tablespoons) of superphosphate. Water well in dry spells.

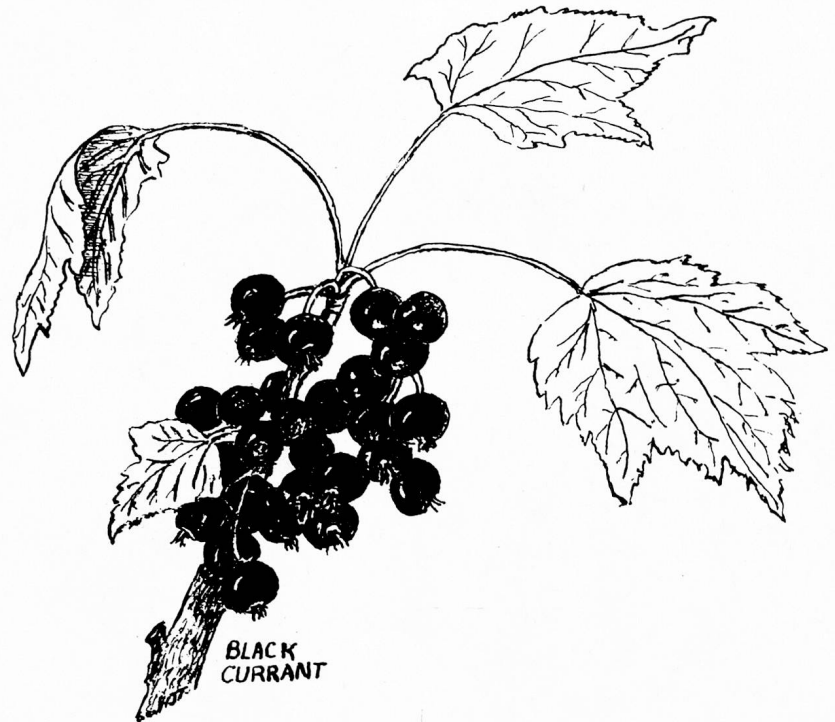
As plants are shallow rooting do not hoe or fork weeds but stifle with a good mulch, grass cuttings can be used for this.

Buds and fruit should be protected from birds, fruit should not be picked until fully ripe.

Fruit is produced in the main on previous year's growth so the aim of pruning is to remove some of the older darker wood to encourage new growth. Keep balance between extension growths and new shoots from the base.

Propagation can be by taking cuttings of half ripe wood about 9 in long. Cut just above a bud and trim unripe wood from tip. Root in prepared trench, planting about 6 in apart. After one year the cuttings should have rooted and be making some growth, dig up and plant in permanent position and treat as new plants.

Big Bud is the curse of black currants and bushes should be sprayed with lime sulphur when the flowers have turned into the 'grape' stage, that is when the flowers have finished blooming and small purple bunches of forming fruit appear.



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