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WILD FLOWERS IN SEQUOIA

A trip to Giant Forest in the Sequoia National Park over the Giant Forest Road between the dates of June 25 and July 15 means an unusual opportunity to widen one's acquaintance with the wild flowers of California. Along this road wild flowers in full bloom make a riot of gorgeous colorings. Many of the flowers are quite unfamiliar to the average Californian, and practically unknown to many other citizens.

The predominating species which may be observed during the stated period are as follows: Blue Lupine, White Lupine, Indian Pink, Bleeding Heart, Yucca, Bladder-nut, Syringa, Fremontodendron, Dogwood, Bush Poppy, Wall Flower, Monkey Flower, Yerba Santa, Mountain Lilac, Sulphur Flower, Satin Bell, Twining Brodiaea, Morning-Glory, Yellow Violet, Buckeye, Godetia, Mariposa Lily.

Some of the above species are noted for their vast territorial and altitudinal range, while others are limited to a very small area not extending beyond the boundaries of California.

Visitors to Sequoia National Park may obtain assistance in identifying the flora and fauna of the park from the Nature Guide Service in Giant Forest, Judge Walter Fry, in charge. On one day last week Judge Fry identified 67 species of flowers for 27 people.

Visitors should inquire at ranger stations about regulations governing flower picking. In general the regulations limit picking to three specimens of the more common varieties for each visitor and these must not be taken in immediate vicinity of Giant Forest, campsites, roads or trails. Wholesale or careless picking of flowers or damage to shrubs and trees will be prosecuted to full extent of the regulations.