


Buds AND Blossoms

By
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"Let us crown ourselves with rosebuds before they be withered."—Wisdom of Solomon 11-8.

June is the month of roses. They are sentimental. We smell the odor of the rose from the old fashioned garden, the rose-petal path to the altar, the old-fashioned arm bouquet of the bride, and the little twisted rosebud from the leaves of the Bible.

Through the years the roses has been a favorite blossom to many people. There are many patented roses on the market. We have tea roses, climbers, pillar, Floribunda,

tree and miniature ones.

The ones that are dearest to our hearts are the old fashioned ones such as French roses, Damasks, Sweetheart, Lady Hamilton, Marchal Niel, Captain Williams, and the Austrian copper.

The oldest rose is the cabbage rose, a member of the moss rose family, known as rose centifolia. This rose was written about by Homer and Herodolus. It is a deep pink and very hairy on the stems. It was brought to this country from England in 1596.

Since roses are so sentimental, we love to make rose bowls (pot-pourri). It is a good time to gather petals to dry in a box, and let wither one half the size of the original in a dry place.

Stir petals so air can circulate occasionally. Place in container with salt sprinkled between one-half inch layers, packed tightly for two weeks. Change to another container and put alternate layers of petals and a mixture of the following:

One ounce of all-spice, (ground) and cloves and shredded cinnamon. Let stand for four weeks in a dark place. Prepare a mixture of one-fourth ounce of mace; one-fourth pound of dried lavender; one-half ounce of all-spice; one-half ounce of ground clove; one-half ounce of grated nutmeg; one-half ounce of annis seed; one-half ounce of ground cinamon. Over each layer

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Driving In City Traffic

By Jeanne Smith,
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CITY TRAFFIC is the driver's acid test.

Bristling with problems of every kind, the average city mile requires as many driving decisions as many miles of country motoring.

Here are some suggestions for city driving from John J. Hall, safety education expert and winner of the 1957 American Museum of Safety award:



Miss Smith

1. Conform to the speed of general traffic. This practice minimizes costly "stop and go" driving and eliminates the need for others to pass or cut in ahead of you.

2. If you're going to stay on the same street for some distance, pick the least obstructed lane and stay in it. Always signal — and look — before changing lanes. When preparing to turn, move into the appropriate lane well in advance, and signal your turn.

3. Always slow down at intersections; your view may be obstructed. And when you stop at an intersection, be sure not to block the pedestrian crosswalk.

4. Never double-park; you'll block traffic, or worse, force other drivers to take dangerous chances. When leaving your parked car, always use the door on the curb side. And when you're driving alongside a line of parked cars, watch for the telltale opening door on the street side — it may be the sign of an accident in the making.

5. Always be alert for pedestrians — a special city-driving hazard. Don't expect them to understand your driving problems.

6. Slow down and be especially alert whenever you see children afoot or on bicycle.

put a few drops of bitter almond or rose-geranium oil, and place in a permanent jar.

"Let Fate do her worst, there are relics of joy,

Bright dreams of the past which she cannot destroy,
Which come in the night time of sorrow and care

And bring back the features that Joy used to wear.

Long, long be my heart with such memories filled,
Like the vase in which roses once distilled;

You may break, you may shatter the vase if you will,
But the scent of the roses will hang round it still."

—Thomas Moore.

Veterans News

Refresher courses in business skills, taught by voluntary teachers, are helping bring mentally ill veterans on the road back to normal living.

Such courses are conducted by volunteers from the community for patients at most Veterans Administration mental hospitals, under the supervision of staff therapists, the agency said today.

VA cited its hospital at Roanoke, Va., as an example of the program. There, patients are re-learning typing, shorthand, mathematics,

accounting and statistics.

Dr. Joseph B. Bounds, manager of the hospital, said several of the patients in the courses formerly worked as secretaries, typists, or clerks.

After a few weeks in the classes, they begin to regain part of their lost skills, Dr. Bounds said, and more important, comprehend that they can re-learn and hope to resume useful work when they leave the hospital.

As patients gain confidence in the courses, many perform tasks in offices of the hospital, for the therapeutic value of the work, he said.

Dr. Bounds said although the courses have been organized at the Roanoke hospital only six months,

one of the patients, a former legal secretary, has returned to her old job in her home state at a salary of \$70 per week.

Q—I'm a veteran with a service-connected disability. Can I just go to my own doctor for treatment and have him send the bill to VA?

A—No. He first must obtain VA approval, before he may treat your service-connected condition at Government expense.

Q—I understand the new GI loan deadline for World War II veterans is July 25, 1960. Does that mean I can wait until then before I ask a lender for a GI loan?

A—No. The lender must have agreed to make you the loan, and must have requested VA's approval

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