

Buds AND Blossoms

By
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"In my dream, behold a vine was before me; and in the vine were three branches; and it was as though it budded, and her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes: and Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes."—Genesis 40:9-11.

"And He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plow shares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nations shall not lift up a sword against nations, neither shall they learn war any more. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree: and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath

spoken it."—Micah 4: 3-4. The vine was planted before the flood. This was a big business in the Mediterranean world. Hill side plantings were popular. Grape vines are popular in gardens here. They make nice arbors.

Fertilize rose bushes now. Plant veronica, nepeta, mussini, astilbe, dianthus, and tall summer phlox. Prepare more seed beds for fall planting.

When fall approaches, we think of short days and getting on the inside of the home at night. When we think of the grape we know it was the most honored plant in the Bible, as quoted at the Last Supper. "I am the true vine and My Father is the husbandman." — John 15:1.

As night approaches, we are reminded of the poem—"Dusk." "These are the things men seek at dusk:

Firelight across a room,
Green splashing against dim roofs,
Gardens where flowers bloom.
Lamplighted gold of a window pane,

Trees with tall stars above,
Women who watch a darkening street

For somebody they love.
Faith of a small child's rhyming prayer,

Candle shine. . . table spread
With a blossom or two in a gay blue bowl,

Fragrance of crusted bread.
For men may dream of a clipper ship,

A wharf or a gypsy camp,
But their footsteps pattern a homing way

To a woman, a child, a lamp."
—Helen Welshimer.

MOTOR MAIDS



Good Highways Lead To Safety

By Jeanne Smith,
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YOU CAN HELP make highways safe.

The new Federal-Aid highway program, for which Congress has authorized 27 billion dollars, provides for public hearings in nearly every community where federal-aid roads are to be constructed. It's up to the citizens in these areas to attend the hearings and insist that new roads be constructed as safely as possible.



Miss Smith

Here are some safety measures — proven effective in highway construction — that deserve your support.

Wide lanes: Recently when 244 miles of Illinois highways were widened from 9 to 11 feet, accidents decreased 39 percent.

Broad shoulders: When shoulders are wide and firm, drivers need not fear running off into roadside ditches or obstructions. Safest roads have shoulders eight feet wide or more.

Good sight distance: Because cars travel at increased speeds these days, 475 to 600 feet seeing distance is needed for safety.

Grade separations: Underpasses and overpasses solve intersection accident problems.

Other safety features include easy curves, adequate lighting, proper channeling of traffic, skid resistant surfaces, and uniform signals and markings.

You can have "built-in" safety in your new-highways if you speak up in favor of it, and if you support your state officials in their plans for safer roads. It's up to you.

Flea Picking Tedious Task At Midnight

Last Saturday night Mike Crary, like a lot of New Bernians, sat up to see the televised presentation of the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City.

Returning to his home, after enjoying the program with friends, he discovered to his dismay that his boxer, Apache, was all but weighed down by fleas.

It seems that Apache had collected them in sand under the house, while the Crarys were away. He was too miserable to sleep, and because the boxer is a house dog, Mike couldn't sleep either, with all the commotion.

Search though he did, the local watchmaker couldn't find any flea powder or insect spray. So, in self defense, he got down on the floor and proceeded to pick fleas off

Apache until 2 a.m. After that, both Mike and the dog got what was left of a good night's, or to be more exact, a good morning's slumber.

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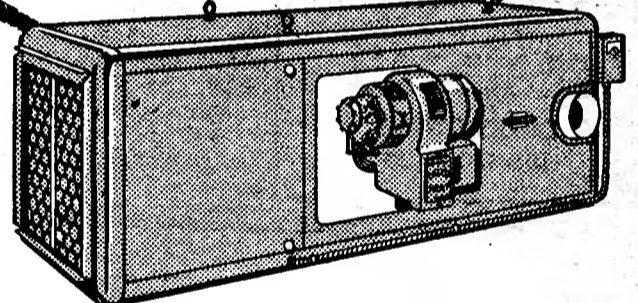
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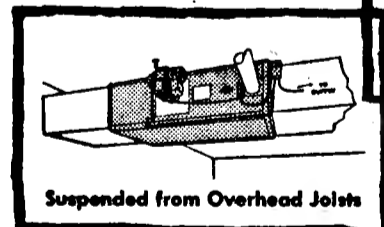
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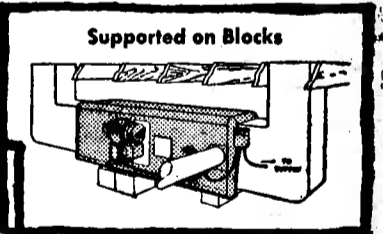
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