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forward to her baby's first birthday. If it's the first baby in the house, there's quite a celebration, with a lovely cake that is topped with a single candle.

You'll get quite a kick out of it, but likely as not that youngster of yours won't enjoy the occasion particularly. For one thing, he or she won't appreciate being fussed over, and pulled and poked at by admiring relatives and friends.

Babies, more often than not, suffer from too much attention. Not the sort of attention that an infant actually requires, but the affectionate pestering that is usually their lot.

In the first twelve months they spent on earth they are too helpless to do much about it, but this helplessness won't last long. Very shortly you'll be confronted with a brat who is as energetic as a greedy bumblebee, as stubborn as a mule, and as nagging as a neglected toothache.

Every New Bern mother looks ahead of time. Perhaps you've even worked out an elaborate plan to assure you of the perfect child. So perfect, in fact, that he will never sass you, refuse to eat the proper food, or insist on staying up late.

> You've probably read all the books available on child care, and now you know all the answers. We've got bad news for you. You're going to flop as a parents, just like every other New Bernian. What the books said isn't going to work out the way you were told.

> Your child may be a better child, as a result of your guidance and your love. It's something to hope and pray for, anyway. But after the first year, Junior has a mind of his own. He is an individual, and unless you break his spirit (which isn't good) he'll grow progressively individualistic.

> You'd better enjoy that first birthday party, and keep your fingers crossed.

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needs of plants.



N. C. State College A lady from Benson writes that her camellias are covered with

scale and requests a remedy. This WORKING, WASHING, AND WAXis camellia leaf scale and requires ING-Spring house cleaning can an oil spray for control. I would be a hazardous job, so do follow recommend summer oil, Volck, and safety practices when you are safety practices when you are thorough coverage. Dilute accordcleaning house. ng to instructions. This is a sucking insect so the spray solution definitely labeled 'Dry Away from must strike the body of the insect Heat' should not be put into the to be effective.

dryer. Articles made of foam rub-A friend was complaining about ber, rubber-coated tennis shoes, having to mow his grass so often. galoshes and fabrics impregnated This seemed a little strange bewith chemicals-cleaning cloths, mops, etc., saturated with waxcause many people don't have nice stands of grass. My advice is to should not be dried in a dryer. teep it growing by top dressing Under no circumstances should with fertilizer, as needed. Don't gammants which have been cleaned mow top close. If you do, you will with flammable fluids be placed with flammable fluids be placed in the dryer for drying . . ." (Exbe sorry when the temperature rises and the hot dry winds set tract from a manufacturer's man-

Set your mower to leave one and WAXING FLOORS-Many prepaa half to two inches high after each rations are available for cleaning mowing. Avoid straddling terraces and caring for floors in the home. or high places with a rotary mow-They make cleaning easier, but can er. They will dig in and take your also make floors slippery. You can grass out by the roots. If you have wax floors so they will not be slipsome spots which seem to be low in pery. nutrition, not wet, try a liberal ap-

Be sure floor is thoroughly washplication of cottonseed meal. I have ed with a mild soap or a syndet. used it with good results.

SPRING

CLEANING

WASHING-"Garments that are

If the wax has accumulated or the If you have not planted tomatoes covering is discolored, use a special the mountains, use a starter so- floor cleaner. Rinse floor surface lution. Weigh out five pounds of a thoroughly. Allow it to dry com-5-10-10 fertilizer and stir in 50 pletely. Apply a very thin coat of gallons of water. For a small quan- wax. It can be a water-base wax tity, use four level tablespoons in or the solvent-base wax in liquid one gallon of water. One-half to or paste form. Use an applicator one pint of the solution, per plant, for water-base wax so wax can be is about right. Stir the solution applied evenly with light, easy well before applying because much strokes. Don't retrace or rub the of the material will be in suspensame spot. sion rather than solution.

For a solvent-base wax (liquid), If you have already planted toma- follow the manufacturer's directoes, and most people in the lower tions and apply a thin layer.

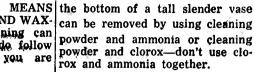
Piedmont and Coastal Plain have, Paste wax can be applied by placing the wax between two layers plants. The stake should be five or of cheese cloth and rubbing floor, leaving a thin, even coat. Polish enough to hold the plant when in the wax, preferably with a hand or fruit. Use strong, soft cloth strips. machine polisher, until you have Tie the cloth strips firmly around a hard finish-soft wax is slippery. Wax may be soft and slippery if the stake and loosely around the stem of the plant. Pruning is de-detergents and cleaning agents sirable and easy if you will pinch haven't been thoroughly rinsed out the suckers that form in the from floor, or if you are using a axils of the leaves when they are soiled applicator. Be sure to folabout two or three inches long. low manufacturer's directions for drying time because wet wax is Keep plants free of weeds and mulch heavily with grain straw or hazardous.

Use only a dry dust mop on wax-Blossoms sometimes fail to set ed floors. Treated mops make wax fruit due to low temperature (50 soften, become smeary and slipdegrees) or high temperature very. Wiping up spilled agents im-(about 90 degrees). Try spraying the mediately will prevent many falls. blossoms with one of the plant reg-Be sure to wear shoes that will give traction on floors; and be careulators such as Sure-Set. This may help if conditions are not too exful of throw rugs. treme. Another common cause of **REMOVING STAINS**—Stains in

poor fruit set is over fertilizing on the leaves of the jade plant, pubescent (hairy) leaves of the

African violet and modified stems Let's talk about water, in generand leaves on the cactus. al, and then apply its use to the

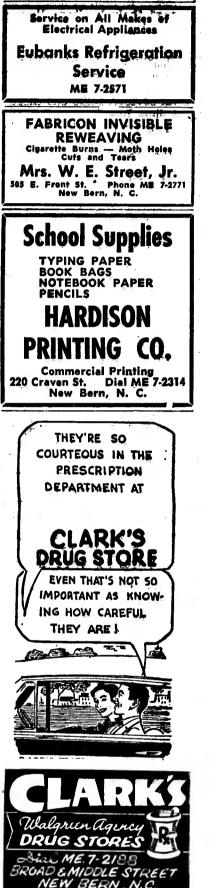
How much water to apply? How often? Only you can determine this because so much depends upon history of the growth of a man in terms of his great concern about your soil type, the equipment used, the competition from the roots of water. The habits of men have pro-bably been influenced more by the competition from the roots of shade trees, rainfall, wind and



HINTS TO,

lomemakers

If you have any cast iron utensils, don't wash them with a synthetic detergent. It removes all the seasoning (absorbed grease) causing them to stick or rust. Only soap will protect the seasoning.





MUSIC HOUSE W. W. Ormond ME 7-5470	their close association with water than with the land by which they earned their bread. Like air, water is so closely bound to man's evolution that it may well be the	temperatures. A suggestion or two may be helpful. Water infrequent- ly but soak when applying. Avoid the common mistake of just sprink- ling a little every day.
MAY SPECIALS (THIS MONTH ONLY)Birthday CakesREGULAR PRICENOW\$2.50\$2.004.503.956.505.95	limiting factor in his destiny. Maybe we can better understand the need for water in plant growth if we examine some figures to see how it constitutes the greater part of living plants: 90 per cent of the edible parts of such vegetables as cabbage and spinach; 85 per cent of the fruit of the apple and strawberry; 65 per cent of the green weight of leaves and suc- culent twigs; and 70 per cent of the weight of roots. It serves as a solvent for mineral nutrients that enter the plant through the roots and acts as a medium through which substance are transported within the plant tissues. Approxi- mately 3,000 gallons of water per tree, is required to mature a crop of peaches. This is the amount	TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE TWO BIG DAYS REMAINING OF OUR STORE-WIDE SALE We Guarantee You'll Recognize Every Purchase as a Real Bargain.
CRAVEN BAKERY	not include water lost by run-off, seepage or evaporation from the soil surface. Tremendous quantities of water are lost by transpiration from the	JOE LIPMAN & SON
325 South Front ME 7-3651 NEXT TO BRADDY'S LAUNDRY	leaf surface. Some plants have structural adaptations which re- duce water losses. These include: reduction of the leaf surface in the needles of conifers, heavy cutin	FURNITURE STORE

You could, perhaps, write the