

# Buds AND Blossoms

by MAMIE MILLER



"Ho, everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

"Wherefore do you spend money for that which is not bread, and your labors for that which satisfieth not? Hearken diligently unto me, and eat that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

"Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near. For as the Heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from Heaven, and returneth not thither, but watered the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to

the eater.

"For ye shall go out with joy, and shall be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clasp their hands.

"Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

—Portions of Chapter 55 of Isaiah.

Enjoy the many things that cover the earth now. It is the season to find the different fruits and pods that no other time of the year can be seen. Take time to rest and relax while the sun is so hot.

Many of the plants that may be gathered now to dry are straw flowers, cockcomb, bells of Ireland, artemisia and money plant. These may be dried by hanging up side down in an attic or closet.

Grow Christmas peppers now for Christmas gifts. Apply dolomitic limestone for toad stools, puff balls and fairy rings in the lawn. Apply acti-dione, zinc or moneb for rust. To prevent nematodes, use Nema-gon or Nemakril.

To pep up plants use Gremlin, vitamins for plant life. For tuberoses to bloom, plant deeper than two inches. Plant pansy seed, they make nicer blooms than the others. Steele pansies are a favorite.

While you rest, read this:

**RULES FOR THE ROAD**  
Stand straight:  
Step firmly, throw your weight:  
The heaven is high above your head,  
The good gray road is faithful to your tread.

Be strong:  
Sing to your heart a battle song:  
Though hidden foemen lie in wait,  
Something is in you that can smile at Fate.

Press through:  
Nothing can harm if you are true.  
And when the night comes, rest:  
The earth is friendly as a mother's breast.  
—Edwin Markham.

Calamity howlers very seldom have blisters on their hands.

## Masonic — Sun. thru Wed.



Famed for his evil screen portrayals of "Frankenstein" and "Dracula," Christopher Lee is the mummified super-natural monster who rises from four centuries of sleep to spread a path of death and destruction in "The Mummy," the new Technicolor shocker. Co-starring in the Hammer Film Production, released by Universal-International, are Peter Cushing and Yvonne Furneaux.

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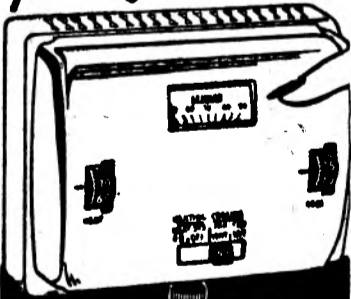
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# TOT TALK

If your child is slightly bored with the yarn about the cow that jumped over the moon, you might try a really true story about the cat that went to church.

It happened right here in New Bern, at the very old and very dignified First Presbyterian church. And what made it all the more embarrassing was the fact that the cat was Topsy, and belonged to the pastor, the Rev. J. Murphy Smith.

Topsy follows him everywhere he goes, and members of the family kept predicting that sooner or later what happened was going to happen. Right in the middle of the Sunday morning service she came down the aisle.

If it had been the First Baptist church, Centenary Methodist, or some other New Bern church besides the First Presbyterian, Topsy could have gone up in the pulpit. However, the pulpit at the First Presbyterian church is elevated, and has to be reached by going up some steps. It is enclosed.

Since the cat couldn't reach her master, it hopped on a table where the offering had been placed, and

seemed quite curious about the size of the collection.

Somebody certainly had to do something, so the parson's 13-year-old son Johnny went down to the table, picked up Topsy and escorted the family pet outside.

Cats and dogs have been known to do such things before. When President Franklin D. Roosevelt died, a memorial service was held at Christ Episcopal church here. Included in the congregation was a stray dog that decided to come in.

Roosevelt loved dogs—had two of his own—and would have appreciated the occurrence here. After all, animals are part of God's creation too. In fact, He arranged to have them present when Christ was born.

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