

# Buds AND Blossoms

By  
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"And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season: his leaf also shall not wither: and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly which the wind driveth away." -- Psalm I: 3-4.

The New Year is filled with new plants to grow. The new seed catalogues will be coming in with all the new colors and varieties of new plants. Mail the names of flower lovers who are forced to remain indoors because of health to these firms. They'll enjoy reading about plants, even though they can't grow them now. It's good advertising as they have the time to tell what they read to other growers.

Solidago is Primrose Cascade, a superb new perennial that produces from three to six rigid spikes about 18 or 20 inches high, topped with two dozen or more cascading, plume-like flower bracts. These come in the new primrose yellow.

If you like an unusual tree, plant the Paw Paw tree--known as the Michigan banana tree. The tree is handsome. You may eat the fruit, and it is easily grown anywhere.

New Achillea is a gol-

den beauty in your permanent border. It will bloom from June until September. Achillea requires no care to grow, and it's such an abundance of gold.

Grow your own flowers in 1963. For this week's Buds and Blossoms poem, we have selected "Red Geraniums" by Martha Haskell Clark:

Life did not bring me silken gowns,

Nor jewels for my hair,  
Nor signs of gabled foreign towns  
In distant countries fair,  
But I can glimpse, beyond my pane,

A green and friendly hill,  
And red geraniums aflame  
Upon my window sill.

The brambled cares of everyday,  
The tiny humdrum things,  
May bind my feet when they would stray,

But still my heart has wings  
While red geraniums are bloomed

Against my window glass,  
And low above my green-sweet hill

The gypsy wind-clouds pass.  
And if my dreamings ne'er come true,

The brightest and the best,  
But leave me lone my journey through,

I'll set my heart at rest,  
And thank God for home-sweet things,

A green and friendly hill,  
And red geraniums aflame  
Upon my window sill.

## Scores As 'Gypsy'



Natalie Wood stars in the title role of the lavish and luring Warner Bros. screen version of the blockbusting Broadway musical comedy, "GYPSY," now showing thru Monday at the Tryon Theatre. Rosalind Russell and Karl Malden co-star in the Technicolor production recounting the early career of Gypsy Rose Lee.

As Seen in The Mirror's

# SPORTS REFLECTIONS

of Athletes  
and Events

When the New Bern High school quint played Campbell College freshmen before the Christmas holidays, Jacksonville Coach Tom Pritchard was an interested spectator.

We sat with Tom, an old friend from Coastal Plain League days, and chatted about prospects for a tough Northeastern campaign. Bruin Coach Bob Lewis indicated several weeks ago that he figures Pritchard's classy Cardinals are the team to beat in the loop.

As for Tom, he has great respect for the Bears but is honest enough to admit that he doesn't consider them invincible. "I think we can give them a good ball game," he told us during the course of the Campbell contest. At the moment, the locals weren't doing too well off the backboard.

Like Lewis, the Jacksonville coach expects plenty of trouble from Roanoke Rapids and Greenville, and doesn't discount the possibility that Tarboro and Kinston may throttle his club. "We'll be facing some fine veterans," he reasons, "and they'll be hard to handle."

On the professional scene, New Bern's great Negro basketball -- Walt Bellamy -- has reached the heights early.

Picked as the rookie of the year last season in the National Basketball Association, the Chicago mainstay is unanimous choice for the West in the All-Star game at Los Angeles on Jan. 16.

A clumsy giant when he enrolled at Indiana, the New Bern native developed remarkable agility through his own initiative. His determined efforts to improve made him an All-American and an Olympic star. It is not unlikely that he will turn out to be one of the all-time greats.

Walt was one of six players picked unanimously, out of 16 chosen for the big game. Others were Wilt Chamberlain, Jerry West, Elgin Baylor, Bill Russell and Oscar Robertson. That's fast company to be traveling in.

## Real Estate

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A. W. Ormond and wife, Alice C. Ormond, to Alphonsa T. Ormond and wife, Carol B. Ormond. Property in No. 3 township.

John A. Belangia and wife, Georgia C. Belangia, to Felix D. Gurrera and wife, Agnes P. Gurrera. Property in No. 7 township.

George W. Allen and wife, Edna F. Allen, to Preston Harrison and wife, Mary Louise Harrison. Property in Country Club Hills.

Carolina Model Home Corporation of Jacksonville to James K. Frazier and wife, Laura Frazier. Property in No. 5 township.

Effie Russell Wood and husband, Wayne Wood, to Paul Howard Russell; Margie M. Russell; Luther Thomas Russell; Cecil W. Russell; Bettie Russell Wall; and Nellie C. Russell. Property in No. 3 township.

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