

Buds AND Blossoms

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"He that heareth and doeth not is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently,

and immediately it fell."--Luke 6:49.

Nicotiana is a very fragrant plant. It is more fragrant at night than in the day. Plant succulents and hen and chickens on banks and dry places. The color is pretty around rocks.

There are two new dogwoods. Apple Blossom is a beautiful apple-blossom pink that grows two to three feet. Spring Song is a rose-red. They are pretty grouped in the two colors.

The Perpetual Flowering Pink is the new Dianthus. It has beautiful foliage and is sweet scented. Buy these in Helen, Doris and Robin.

Don't be afraid of trying to grow dwarf fruit trees in Espalier form. These may be

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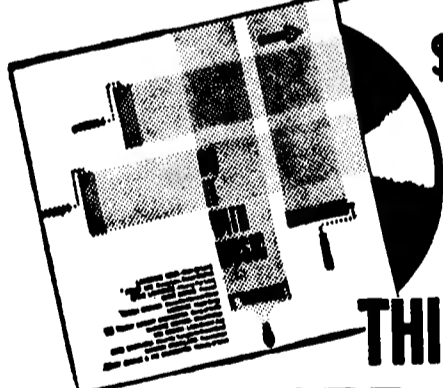
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purchased at the nursery already trained to grow in fan-shape, horizontal cordon, four-armed palmette, and other shapes. They require two prunings a year. They are space savers and very attractive. Wisteria pyracanta, forsythia, verburnum, and many other shrubs are very good.

Hollyhocks are lovely to grow. Nothing appreciates them more than the humming birds.

This week, for our Buds and Blossoms poem, we have selected "Vases" by Nan Terrell Reed:

Two vases stood on the Shelf of Life

As Love came by to look, One was of priceless cloisonne'--

The other of solid common clay,

Which do you think Love took?

He took them both from the Shelf of Life,

He took them both with a smile;

He clasped them both with his finger tips,

And touched them both with caressing lips,

And held them both for a while.

From tired hands Love let them fall,

And never a word was spoken. One was of priceless cloisonne'--

The other of solid common clay.

Which do you think was broken?

Looking Glass--

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Consistory, and never missed a Reunion. The editor of The Mirror was privileged to have him as a close personal friend for fifteen years, and can attest to his kindness and compassion for his fellow man.

And we can see him now--neatly attired in the inevitable blue serge suit, and wearing a jaunty, black bowtie--as he brought the poem to a brilliant climax on the stage of the New Bern Recreation Center: "Oh, somewhere in this favored land the sun is skinning bright, The band is playing somewhere, and somewhere hearts are light; and somewhere children shout, But there is no joy in Mudville--Mighty Casey has struck out."

Who knows, it might just be that Dr. Charles L. (Casey) Blackman and DeWolfe Hopper have long since met each other, in life beyond the grave. Off-hand, we can't think of two guys who would enjoy each other's company more.

TRAVELING BULLET

Conway, Ark.--Policeman John Naylor drew his gun and shot a stray dog on a downtown street.

The bullet hit the dog, traveled through the open door of a store a half block away, bounced off the wall and struck

Emil Kordsmier on the forehead. He was not badly injured and the dog ran away.

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ONE MORE TIME

Let's go to the polls one more time next Tuesday, and elect an alderman from the Fifth Ward.

Let's make him the choice of a large majority of the registered voters. The election of the alderman from the other wards, of course, is settled, but the election of this member of the board is very important also.

Let's elect a man who served two years on the board of alderman while Mack L. Lupton was mayor in 1953-55.

Let's elect a man whose voting record speaks for itself.

Let's elect a man who will vote his convictions, as he has proven.

Let's elect a man who will represent all the people in a fair and impartial manner.

Let's elect a man who is a native New Bernian who loves New Bern and wants only the best for it and its people.

Let's elect a man whose previous experience will be most important at this particular time.

Let's elect next Tuesday, for Fifth Ward alderman,

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