

Buds AND Blossoms

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"Repay no one evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all."--Romans 12:17.

Roses will begin to bloom for the fall months if they are protected from black spot. Spray with a dependable rose spray at least once a week, but don't work in roses when the foliage is wet.

Iris may have leaf spot, which

is a large spot that is usually confined to the upper half of the leaf. Soils that have a deficiency in lime favor the disease. If you have this disease too much, pick all the leaves between now and fall and then burn them. Dust sulphur on the roots to keep them from rotting.

If your perennials, roses, aster, chrysanthemums, and dahlias begin to crinkle, look blotched, or begin to curl, use all-purpose insecticide every ten days. Leaf tier, spider mite and many other leaf diseases may be controlled the same way.

While it is still hot weather, enjoy thinking of your fall plantings. Large-flowered crocus, giant Red Emperor tulip, Rare Pink Daffodils, and large fragrant hyacinths can transform your dull garden into a dream.

Have you seen the little sticks you get from the local seedmen that stick out of the ground with a little lollypop at the top that dogs, cats and rabbits don't like? Try them.

I heard a retired couple talking about the neighbor's dog annoying them so much in the city by tramping on the flowers, and also barking too much. The wife said, "Yet, you want to move to the country, where all the neighbors have hounds, deer dogs, and pets too."

Her husband replied, "The country dog has so much more sense than the city-bred dog." ~~Probably~~ could get quite an argument on that from city dwellers who have dogs, and consider them highly intelligent.

This week, for our Buds and Blossoms poem, we turn to Robert Frost and his "Stopping By Woods On A Snowy Evening." The wistful beauty of these lovely lines may help you to momentarily forget the sultriness of mid-August. Whose woods these are I think I know.

His house is in the village though; He will not see me stopping here To watch his fields fill up with snow.

Mothers Would Do Well Not to Make Young School Boys Dress Like Baby

If there is anything that the young, irrepressible grade school boy will not stand for this fall, it is being made to "dress like a baby."

Mother will do well to see that Junior has shirts that have the big-boy stripes and checks and plaids--even the same sort of button-down collar or short neat "spread" that the teen-ager wears. And he will want his suits and sport coats to have the simple yet masculine traditional, natural-shoulder lines that sophisticated grown-ups are wearing.

His sweaters must have the same colorful ski look or soft shaggy look as his bigger playmates', and must come in the same "grown-up" crew-neck, turtle-neck or v-neck-pull-over or cardigan model.

Miss Martha AnnHurt, clothing specialist for the Agricultural Extension Service at N. C. State, says that Junior will also probably want a ski parka, complete with hood and a warm but lightweight lining.

However, there should be a way of making these youngsters look different and younger. And

Miss Hurt says that this can be done through color. The smaller boy is not nearly so conservative as the bigger one. So this will be the time to give him a red blazer jacket instead of a black or olive; or a brighter plaid on his shirt or a bolder color on his sport coat or sweater. The small lad likes color and brightness.

Because of the rough and tumble way the youngsters get

around, Mothers should be aware of the newest man-made fibers and finishes. These are the "miracle" agents that make or shape retention, water and stain repellency and wash and wear or easy care.

The mother should read the labels and handtags that come with the clothes so that she will know how to take care of the garments.

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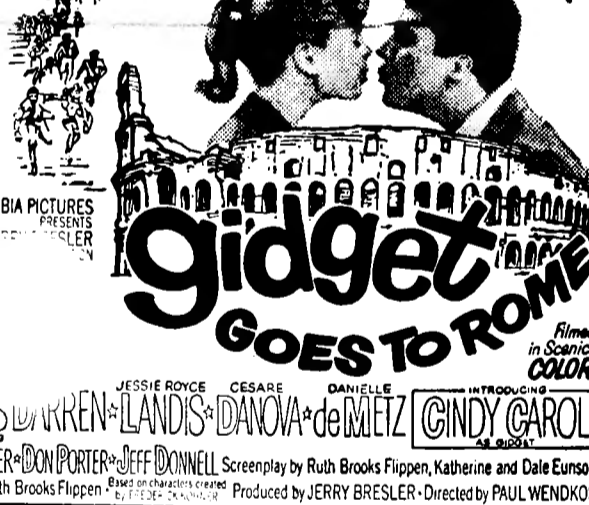
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