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## THE NEW BERN MIRROR, NEW BERN, N. C.

## Buds AND Blossoms MAMIE MILLER

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."--Isaiah 41:10.

We are all familiar with artemisia or Silver King, but there are many grays to add to your border. Silver Santolina is a ferny plant that survives during heat or drouth. Silver Mound is another gray that is

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frog, bird or turtle will make them very happy in the middle of winter. Many gardeners plant on the "Moon". Some plant on the wane of the moon, others on the full moon. Each one has his reason for planting. At one time the plant will produce more flowers and less foliage. At another time we get more flowers and less blooms.

perfect for walks. Plant these

Stachys lanata is a rosette

We are glad Ginny didn't get here to cause us to have lots

of broken limbs and a great

deal of clearing up to do. How-

ever, it is time to do away

with unwanted limbs and shrub-

Put ashes, pebbles and sand around digitalis or delphinium

to prevent rot. Put lime around

sections of the garden that need

Plan now to give dish gardens

to friends who are forced to

stay indoors. They make good

Christmas gifts. Some plants

from the garden, a few rocks

an appropriate container or a

plant sometimes called "lamb's ears." Sedums add interest to

in the full sun.

all of the grays.

it every November.

bery.

However, it is interesting to note the growth. Personally, I think they should stop aggravating the moon, because we will not know whether it is even a wet or dry moon.

Once more we turn to Edgar A. Guest for our Buds and Blossoms poem. This one is titled "The Home-Town,"

Some folks leave home for money

And some leave home for fame,

Some seek skies always sunny, And some depart in shame. care not what the reason Men travel east or west,

Or what the month or season--The home-town is the best.

The home-town is the glad town Where something real abides; 'Tis not the money-mad town

That all its spirit hides. Though strangers scoff and flout

And even jeer its name, It has a charm about it No other town can claim.



FAMILIAR LANDMARK—Pictured is the Judge Henry Bryan house on East Front Street. You'll learn more about it today in Elizabeth Moore's Historical Gleanings.



New Bern housewives disagree widely on methods of preparation and types of ingredients best suited to the traditional American dessert for Thanksgiving--pumpkin pie.

Seasoning ranges from cinamon, cloves, nutmeg, and ginger to allspice. Some prefer the addition of nuts, and you'll find a difference of opinion as to which is better, a cooked or an uncooked shell.

The pumpkin, although associated in history with the first white settlers in this Land of the Free, was a favorite delicacy of the Indians before the palefaces arrived here. General belief is that it is a native of

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South America, and was first grown for food by the Peruvians. Our forefathers, in large measure, owed their survival in a strange and formidable environment to the pumpkin. It was easy to grow, and early settlers took their cue from the Indians. They boiled it with beans and corn, made pumpkin patties, and used the meat in stews and soups.

No one knows for sure when the white man got the idea of using pumpkins as a filling for pies. It has been established from early writings that pumpkin pies date back more than 200 years.

New Englanders depended so much on pumpkins for food in their first crucial years in the

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New World that they got sick and tired of such a fare. When times became better, and other crops were more readily available, the pumpkin was treated with disdain and generally belittled.

However, its use in observance of the first Thanksgiving evolved into a solid tradition. then has seen it grace most American tables, even in homes where enthusiasm for pumpkin pie is at a decidedly low ebb.

And that is as it should be, in New Bern and throughout these United States.



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The home-town skies seem bluer Than skies that stretch away. The home-town friends seem truer And kinder through the day; And whether glum or cheery Light-hearted or depressed, Or struggle-fit or weary, I like the home-town best. Let him who will, go wander To distant towns to live, Of some things I am fonder Than all they have to give. The gold of distant places Could not repay me quite For those familiar faces That keep the home-town

bright.

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