

As Seen in The Mirror's SPORTS REFLECTIONS

of Athletes
and Events

Consolidation of High schools all along the line makes it impossible to reasonably predict the probably front runners in 4-A gridiron competition this year.

Every team, with more athletes to draw from, should be stronger than it was in 1969. The question mark, of course, arises when you try to guess who will benefit most from the transition.

White and black coaches alike have their fingers crossed, but are taking a realistic approach to the racial angle. They agree that rigid discipline must be maintained, and are in no mood to forgive those who regard training rules lightly.

Most of the High school athletic departments are cautiously optimistic. They feel that they can cope with the situation. This isn't to say they aren't aware that even trivial inci-

dents can be triggered into something worse if allowed to get out of hand.

Fans face a challenge too. Anyone familiar with sports history knows that more often than not the breeding ground for violence is in the stands, not on the field. Whatever your color, don't invite trouble by deliberately looking for it.

Settlement of the strike by NFL players left many scars, and a bad taste in the mouths of millions of Americans. Very few sympathized with highly paid pro griders, whose greed did nothing to brighten their image.

To what extent, if any, this will reduce patronage is something no one can foresee. Most teams have a tremendous following, and annoyed or not by the hoggish attitude of the players, it is likely that fans will continue to keep turnstiles merrily clicking.

How close did the players come, and how close will they come in the future, to killing the goose that laid the golden egg?

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Buds

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Blossoms

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"He went forth with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden."--John 18:1.

Since we had some nice rains many flowers are showing their appreciation with beautiful foliage and blossoms. It is time to put out cuttings, divide overcrowded ones, and dry seeds for next year's use.

Make a compost pile of all unnecessary foliage that isn't diseased. Make beds for planting fall plants and bulbs. The smart gardener rarely ever runs out of something to do.

There are many plants that do their blooming at night. If you enjoy the lighting in your garden, or use it for outdoor living at night, plant the following for blooming or perfume:

Night-scented stock, dame's rocker, evening primrose, four o'clocks, and moon vine. Plant the flowers near the light as you go in or out of doors, or near windows, so you may enjoy the beauty and the odor.

Study magazines, catalogues, and plan your next year's garden to improve on this year's effort. Don't forget to dry your herbs. You will want to gather some for fragrance, others for flavoring, and some just because they are pretty in dried arrangements.

This week's Buds and Blossoms poem, by an unknown author, has words of wisdom for us all.

If you walk as a friend you will find a friend,
Wherever you choose to fare,
If you go with mirth to a far strange land
You will find that mirth is there.

For the strangest part of this queer old world
Is that like will join with like;

And who walks with love for his fellow man,
An answering love will strike.

If you walk in honor, then honest men
Will meet you along the way,
But if you are false you will find men false

Wherever you chance to stray.
For good breeds good and bad breeds bad,

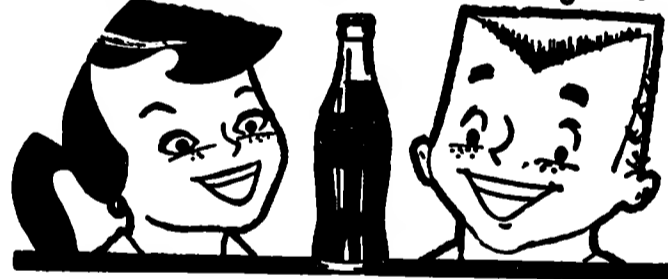
We are met by the traits we show,
Love will find a friend at the stranger's door,
Where hate will find a foe.

For each of us builds the world he knows,
Which only himself can spoil,
And an hour of hate or an hour of shame

Can ruin a life of toll,
And though to the utmost ends of the earth
Your duty may bid you fare,

If you go with truth and a friendly heart,
You will find friends waiting there.

"Wonder what makes it taste so good?"



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