

As Seen in The Mirror's

# SPORTS REFLECTIONS

of Athletes and Events

No one has to wonder where New Bern's Callie Newman is, when the Atlantic Coast Conference Basketball Tournament gets underway. He might be hard to find in that multitude of fans, but mark him present.

As long as we've known him, and that goes back to his childhood, the squat Irish chatterbox has been steamed up about all sports. Unencumbered, or unblest with a spouse, depending on your point

of view, he has traveled thousands of miles to see hundreds of ball games.

To the best of our knowledge he never got around to kissing the blarney stone. He didn't need to. No wearer of the green, where the river Shannon flows, can top Callie's blarney where the Neuse and Trent join hands.

Like any other true son of Erin, he is not one to hold himself in low esteem. The guy thinks he is well versed in the realm of sports, and his assumption is completely justified.

His knowledge is abundant, his memory keen, and his enthusiasm inexhaustible. Every fan we've ever encountered considers himself an expert, but Newman, to a marked degree, does know sports.

It is debatable whether the fan with superior knowledge enjoys a ball game more than those less informed. Some of the most rabid followers of sports events are blissfully unaware of what it's all about.

Baseball is a good example. A runner who is thrown out by a country mile at second may be booed for trying to steal, when actually the guilty party is a batter who didn't catch the hit and run signal.

Whether it be music, sports, art, or what have you, it doesn't hurt to improve your knowledge, if you're going to be seriously involved. Sports, in Callie's case, take top priority the year round.

Like Burke Taylor and the late Nicky Simpson, and of course there are others, his tireless efforts through the years to improve and expand athletic facilities at New Bern High school should be forever remembered.

Sports on every level are his cup of tea, but to him the Atlantic Coast Basketball Tournament is extra special. The closest thing to heaven on earth.

## Garden Time

### New Roses: Many Try But Few Are Chosen

By M. E. Gardner  
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"All-America Rose Selections" was organized 34 years ago and continues with no departure from its rigid, unbiased appraisal of all new rose selections submitted to it for testing.

Very briefly, AARS maintains, at this time, 22 official test gardens scattered throughout the United States. These trial grounds are located so that all types of soil and climate, in areas where roses are generally grown, are represented.

Any rose breeder may submit a selection for testing but it must be remembered that the competition is fierce, the testing cruelly impartial and the chances of an award are slim. To be a winner, a new rose must be outstanding in every respect. Ordinarily, between 35 and 45 new roses are entered each year for testing.

With this background of information about the modus operandi of AARS, we announce the All-America winners for 1973 -- ELECTRON, GYPSY and MEDALLION. We also announced these varieties in June, but I will have more to say about them this time and to tell you that they should be available now from your supplier. All are hybrid teas.

ELECTRON has a bright pink beautifully shaped bloom with what, for the want of a better descriptive phrase, might be called a sort of neon glow. The intensely pink flowers

seem to stand out from other blooms around them as though lighted from within. The flowers are large, fully double and very fragrant.

Electron is classed as a bushy grower well covered with dark green foliage. It should prove to be a most decorative garden variety due to the shapeliness of the plant and its ability to produce quantities of exhibition flowers throughout the growing season.

This variety is new to the American public but has been grown in Europe under another name. It has won nine awards in Great Britain, Spain, Holland, Belgium, Scandanavia, Germany and Austria.

Electron is the offspring of Paddy McGredy x Prima Ballerina, which parents bring into the ancestral background the brilliance of Spartan, Crimson Glory and Poinsettia; the size of Peace; and the rich fragrance of both immediate parents.

#### SAFE MATTRESS

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