



COMPLETES BASIC—Airman Robert L. Holley, son of Mrs. Cora L. Holley, Edenton, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Chanute AFB, Ill., for training in aircraft maintenance. Airman Holley is a 1970 graduate of Chowan High School.

Garden Time

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Today, let's discuss a flower which reaches back in history to pre-Babylonian times and see if we can become more familiar with the different classes.

The rose is frequently referred to as the best-loved garden flower and I suppose that no one would wish to argue the point. It is universal in its appeal both as a home garden plant and for greenhouse forcing. It just would not be proper to throw a big shindig without roses.

The Tea rose is the oldest, and very old plants can still be found around the missions in California. This class is best adapted to the Deep South and the Pacific Coast, where it blooms profusely and almost continuously. Only about 25 varieties of the Tea rose are available through catalog purchase in the U. S.

The Hybrid Tea roses constitute, by far, the largest percentage of varieties planted. There is a large selection of varieties, both in single and double forms, and many color choices. Some varieties tend toward a cluster type of blooming while others provide long stems desired by the florist for cut flowers.

Polyantha roses include the Hybrid Polyanthas and Floribundas—the Floribundas actually being Hybrid Polyantha selections. We hear more these days about Floribundas than any other in this class. The Floribundas tend toward a very compact habit of growth and are used most extensively as bedding plants.

Hybrid Perpetuals, once popular, have perhaps the largest flowers in the rose family but are not now given the attention that some think they deserve.

Climbing roses are not really climbers in the true sense of the word. However, they do adapt themselves well when attached to suitable supports.

There are other classes of roses and one can easily become confused because there is some overlapping of classes as far as use is concerned. I have attempted to give, in simple terms, the classes that are most commonly found in the average home garden.

The weather in our neighborhood has been just fine for the spread of black spot and mildew on rose plants, both fungus troubles. Keep your plants well protected at all times with a regular spray (preferred) or dust program.

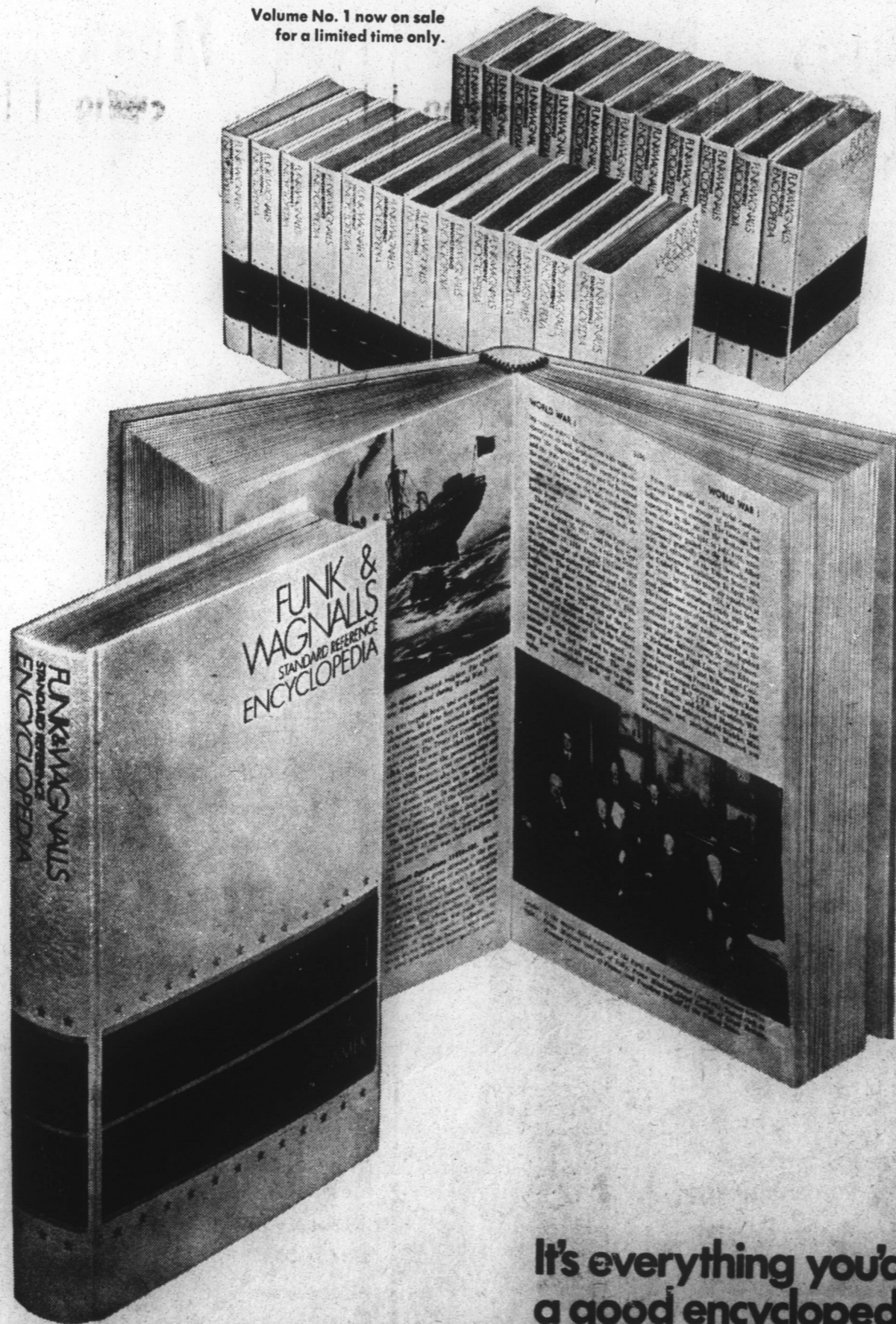


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Health Tip
OF THE WEEK

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Women of child-bearing age should be very careful about self-medication, says Dr. Virginia Apgar. They may be pregnant, but unaware of it, and little is known about the abnormalities that various drugs can cause in the embryo, especially in the early stages of pregnancy.

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