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Children's Guild cited, gets award

More than 300 persons attended the 7th annual award presentation luncheon of the Health and Welfare Council of the Baltimore Area, Inc., at the Southern Hotel on Monday.

Recipient of the award was the Children's Guild, Inc., an interracial nursery service for emotionally disturbed children between the ages of 2½ and 6 years.

The Children's Guild opened in 1954 and in 1957 on the basis of the Health and Welfare Council's recommendation, was accepted as a member of the Community Chest.

Receiving the award for the organization was Harold Manekin, president. Also taking honors was Mrs. Leon Ginsberg, the Children's Guild organizer and honorary president.

The award was a citation and a check for $250.

Members of the award committee included Mrs. Louis Azrael, chairman; J. Stephen Becker, Robert S. Moyer, Howard H. Murphy of the AFRO, Joseph H. Purdy, Mazie P. Rappaport and Anna D. Ward.

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AMONG THOSE present at the luncheon were Mrs. John Tilley, Mrs. Clarence Monroe, Mrs. Louis Harmon and Mrs. Dorothy McGowan, wife of the Rev. Edward McGowan, pastor of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Georgetown. Mrs. McGowan is a member of the Health and Welfare Council staff.

Speakers at the luncheon noted that 24,000 school children are in need of psychiatric aid such as the Children's Guild offers to preschool children.

Dr. Leon Eisenberg, associate professor of psychiatry and pediatrics at Johns Hopkins University and member of the Children's Guild pointed out that the Guild is only able to reach 20 children a year.

He said: "We should be ashamed of what has happened" as he referred to City Council cuts from Education and Welfare Departments budgets."

He termed the City officials "intellectually short-sighted."

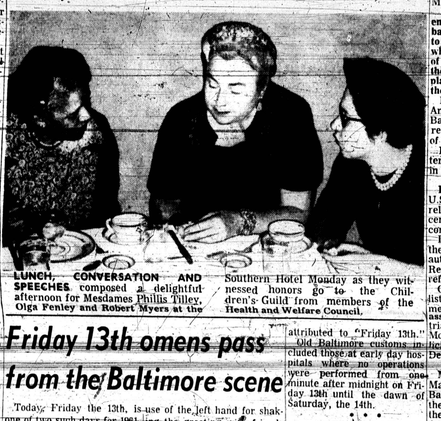
Dr. Paul V. Lemkau, Hopkins professor of Public Health administration, Mental Hygiene Dept., termed the Childrens Guild a jewel in a sunburst brooch of social and health services and asked that more organizations take their places as gems in the pattern.

The Health and Welfare Council has found that there is no other agency in Maryland performing a similar service for emotionally disturbed children in the preschool age group.

Fees are adjustable so that no child is denied service. All races are included in the program.

The donor of the 1961 award is Harry Greenstein, executive director of the Associated Jewish Charities and one of the Health and Welfare Council founders.

CHILDREN'S GUILD officials, Harold Manekin, left, president, and Mrs. Leon M. Ginsberg, charter member and honorary president, received citation and $250 check as award presented by the Health & Welfare Council of the Baltimore Area, Inc., on Monday at luncheon at the Southern Hotel. George W. Constable, president of the Council, right, makes presentation.



LUNCH, CONVERSATION AND SPEECHES composed a delightful afternoon for Mesdames Phillis Tilley, Olga Penley and Robert Myers at the Southern Hotel Monday as they witnessed honors go to the Children's Guild from members of the Health and Welfare Council.

Police Dept. promotes 15

Three police sergeants were promoted to lieutenant Thursday.

They were Sergeants Henry T. Deasel, 44, of the Traffic Division, Anton T. Glover, 44, Homicide Division and Horace M. Lowman, 45, of the Southwestern District.

Lieutenants Deasel and Glover will remain in their respective divisions.

Sergeant Lowman will go to the Northern District.

THE POLICE Department also announced the promotion of 12 patrolmen to the rank of sergeant. They are:

Carl M. Konder, William M. Buttner, William P. Dicker, Robert L. Hom, Robert J. Clifford and James M. Gorsuch.

Also, Charles J. Panuska, Arthur R. Keeter, Xavier J. McGovern, Joseph C. Halek, Frederick H. Heiderman and Elmer Weidenhoft.

Friday 13th omens pass from the Baltimore scene

Today, Friday the 13th, is one of two such days for 1961. The other Friday 13th comes in October. The past year, 1960, had only one, Friday, May 13.

The day, Friday, has special significance in that it is a day of fast for Roman Catholics, the same as it is the Sabbath for Moslems.

It is the sixth day of the week and named for the Norse goddess, Frigg.

Most memorable Friday was Good Friday, the day Our Lord was crucified.

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ALTHOUGH THIS day is termed "Good Friday" and marks the holy passion of Christ, the ill - luck associated with the day arose from its connection with the Crucifixion event.

Add to the old Biblical-day superstition of Friday, itself, the ill - omened 13th day and the results are, according to tradition, indeed unlucky.

However, superstitions about Friday 13 are declining in modern society and very little is left of the old-beliefs prevalent in early America when the colonies were young.

Friday 13th used to be a day of reversing whatever custom seemed to be auspicious on any other day.

For example, the custom of shaking hands with the right hand is entirely superstitious. To use the left hand was according to an age - old practice, ill-luck.

However, on Friday 13th, is use of the left hand for shaking the greeting will friends the number to "throw the devil off his track."

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BLACK CATS, purring on the family hearth any other day of the year, bring good luck. Should a black kitten wander into your door, good luck is certain.

However, on Friday 13, all black cats are bad luck, superstition dictates.

To break a mirror on any day is seven years ill fortune, the word goes, but to break one on Friday 13 is not so great misfortune, will only bring six days bad luck.

TO CAST aside the usual lack of fortune which comes from going under a ladder any day of the year, believers in Friday 13th omens pass under a ladder to "catch the devil unawares," they say.

Education has banished superstition. However, the movement to towns and urban areas has made America more sophisticated and Friday 13th pranks have decreased.

The custom of welcoming the day as one to plague neighbors, friends and family is passing from the American scene.

There was a time when townspeople dared not venture from home lest they become innocent victims of Friday 13th tricks.

Any accident or happening considered unfavorable, was attributed to "Friday 13th."

Old Baltimore customs included those at early day hospitals where no operations were performed from one minute after midnight on Friday 13th until the dawn of Saturday, the 14th.

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CITIZENS AUTO ordinarily crossed themselves" just one time on certain occasions, made effort to cross themselves three times on Friday 13th.

South Baltimore residents report the streets became deserted after dark. Everyone planned to gather the children inside the house lest trouble come to them.

Employers in the pioneer industrial area expected to find workers absent on Friday 13th. Although no more accidents from their crude machinery occurred on Friday 13th, employees were afraid of sewing machines, drills, cranes and other newly invented devices would "run wild" on that day.

All incidents related to "bad luck" were credited to Friday 13th.

All hearses carrying the dead to funeral services or to the burial ground made three turns at the cross roads.

Ask trust for Laurel Cemetery

"They breached the confidence placed in them by the lot owners and should not be allowed to unjustly enrich themselves.

"As to what can be done now, a trust should be declared in the Old Laurel Cemetery for the benefit of the lotowners."

W. A. C. Hughes Jr., attorney, made this suggestion Thursday morning before the Court of Appeals on behalf of lot owners in the Old Laurel Cemetery.

Mr. Hughes, Tucker B. Dearing and Paul Cockrell, NAACP attorneys, had the Laurel Cemetery Case before the Court of Appeals.

Mr. Dearing argued that there was out and out fraud involved.

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MR. COCKRELL reviewed the history of the case, showing that John G. Kauffman gained an interest in 1939 and by 1947 held a controlling interest.

Defense attorneys in the two-hour hearing before Judges W. R. Horney, H. Hammond, W. L. Henderson, Stedman Prescott and C. C. Marbury were Charles C. W. Atwater and Walter C. Milander.

Legal steps first were taken by lotholders in the case back in 1958 when they went to court against a realty firm which had gained possession of the old burial grounds in the 2300 block Belair Rd. and planned commercial use of the property.

In March of 1960, Judge Anslem Sodaro, sitting in Baltimore City Circuit Court, refused to invalidate the sale of Laurel.

Formed in 1852, the cemetery by 1953 had been placed in bankruptcy proceedings.

IN 1957, it was certified in U. S. District Court that Laurel had no further value as a cemetery and no market or commercial value.

In March of the same year the sale of the property was authorized to the McKamer Realty Co., for $100 by the referee in bankruptcy.

Officers in this firm were listed in court records as Clement R. Mercaldo, a senior assistant city solicitor and trial attorney, and Lloyd G. McAllister, top assistant solicitor, both in the City's Law Department.

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NINETEEN DAYS later, Marvin Mandel and Carl W. Bacharach, both members of the Fifth District delegation to the House of Delegates, introduced a measure which would allow the Circuit Court to order the sale of the cemetery and the removal of the dead.

Such an action required that 75 per cent of the acreage had to be abandoned or be a nuisance detrimental to the public health, safety, security or welfare and that there must not be a contract calling for perpetual care and maintenance of the lots.

The law was passed and signed by then Governor McKeldin on April 10, 1957, and on June 24, 1957, Laurel Cemetery was sold to the McKamer firm for $100, according to court papers.

After several other legal actions, the property was sold to the Belair Road Enterprises, Inc., for $15,500, the cost of removing and reburying the dead.

Officials of the firm said that a number bf the bodies and tombstones had been removed from Laurel and transferred to another site in Carroll County, near Elders-burg.

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NEWS OF the removal of the bodies brought a prompt storm of protests from lot owners, who had relatives buried in the old Laurel.

Mass meetings were held and out of these grew the decision to take the case to court.

Dr. Holland to speak at Hampton regional

Dr. Jerome Holland, president of Hampton Institute, will address the alumni and delegates to the Mid-Atlantic Alumni Regional Conference, here, Sunday.

Dr. Holland will speak at the dinner meeting at 4 p.m. in the Sheraton - Baltimore Inn.

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DR. HOLLAND, affectionately known as "Brud" from his All - American football years, has just returned from Africa, where he acted as advisor in the establishment of cation program in Sierre Leon.

Along with Dr. Holland will be Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College, who will also bring greetings. Dr. G. James Flemming, Hampton alumnus and political scientist of the Morgan faculty, will deliver the principal address.

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A COCKTAIL PARTY, beginning at three, will precede the dinner.

The affairs will also be open to friends of Hampton. Tickets may be obtained from members of the local chapter and at the door on Sunday afternoon.

Henry C. Johnson is president of the Baltimore chapter.

Numbered marbles may name Calvert County jurors

ANNAPOLIS — They want to use marbles in the selection of jurors in Calvert County.

Senator Edward T. Hall (Rep.), of that county, came in Wednesday with a bill proposing that the clerk of court put numbered marbles in a box — and give corresponding numbers to persons on the jury list.

Then — the first 22 marbles picked out of the box would designate the grand jury.

The next 25 drawn would name the petit jury, according to S.B. 90.

Senator Hall's bill suggests the marble system would be an improvement over that now used of putting the names on slips of paper, and shaking them up in a box.

Zoning okeys BURHA'S George St. Project

Approval of the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency's George St. Housing Project was given Tuesday by the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals.

The approval was necessary because a code of the Bureau of Building Inspections prohibits the erection of structures over nine stories in height in that area.

The George St. Project is to have four 14 - story buildings; four three-story and 16 two stories in height.

This is the last of BURHA's currently planned low-rent housing projects, and it is to have 750 dwelling units.

ONE SITE of this project is bounded by Fremont Ave., George St., Myrtle Ave. and Franklin St.

The other adjacent site is bounded by Myrtle Ave., Hoffman St., Argyle Ave. and Biddle St.

Demolition of the structures in this area is under way and BURHA plans to put the construction contract out for bids within the next four months.

In requesting a waivering of the Building Inspections code, Richard L. Steiner, BURHA director, reminded the Board that this action had been taken previously to allow the erection of BURHA's Lexington Terrace — a low - rent housing project two blocks south of the George St. site.

Motorist, 70, dies at wheel of car

A 70-year-old motorist died Wednesday while driving in the 2900 block of E. Federal St.

Police said Louis Thomas of 822 N. Washington St., apparently suffered a fatal heart attack.

Following the attack, the Thomas car skidded across lawns of homes at 2920 and 2918 E. Federal St., and crashed into a porch at 2916.

Miss Gertrude Fowler, 45, of the 2200 block Meridene was a passenger in the Thomas car.

Miss Fowler suffered a cut on the chin.

She told police her uncle was driving the car on Federal St., when he suddenly slumped across the steering wheel.

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The D. A.'s Man—Policemen Plus

- Their cases range from larceny to capital offense
- The squad will celebrate 10th birthday in May
- Reynolds case is one of the best remembered
- Best men are picked for this elite squad

By Bill Slater

PLANNING STRATEGY—Standing around Lt. Vincent Gavin (seated left) and Sgt. Dennis Mello, the DA's men plan their next move in investigating a complaint. Standing left to right are Det. Howard Muhl, Sgt. Francis Woods and Det. August Loetz.

A group of hard - hitting, hard-fighting officers, stern, but sometimes lenient. . .thorough and competent investigators. . .dedicated to one cause, justice. . .

These are the descriptions given the DA's men.

They are the five seasoned men, trained with finesse in the art of investigating and detection.

Headed by Lt. Vincent Gavin, they are officially called the Investigation Division of the State's Attorney's office.

The men are Sgt. Francis Woods, Sgt. Dennis Mello and officers Howard Muhl and August Loetz.

Though policemen, they are not in competition with the regular police department.

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THEY HANDLE only those complaints which the State's Attorney believes can best be taken care of directly through his office.

Such cases include those which involve technical legal questions, or the searching of land records.

"By being situated where we are, we have better facilities for handling these cases," Lt. Gavin said.

The State's Attorney's office will take a case and send it directly to the grand jury, avoiding all the preliminary hearings when time is of the essence.

Such cases are called "specials."

In a case where the State has a witness who cannot make bond and must be jailed, a "special" is sometimes called to avoid keeping the witness in jail an unnecessary length of time.

The State's Attorney will also take over a case in which he believes justice has not been done in a magistrate's court, or when a man has been charged in the magistrate court with a lesser offense which in the opinion of the State's Attorney, should have been greater.

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THE SQUAD was created for the express purpose of giving the citizens of Baltimore an agency to which they could turn for guidance and assistance in complex problems that might involve criminal law.

Lt. Gavin says of his department:

"I like to call it a service department to the city. . .when there's nowhere else to turn, citizens can always come here, no matter what the problem."

Located on the second floor of the Courthouse, the investigators handle everything the district policemen do and more.

Their cases range from larceny to adoption law violations and capital offenses.

After every investigation, a complete report, containing the findings is given to the State's Attorney. He then decides whether or not to go to the grand jury.

IN MAY, the Investigation Department will celebrate its 10th anniversary.

It was created under former State's Attorney Anselm Sodaro, now a Supreme bench judge, and was patterned after the New York system.

"Mr. Sodaro felt that there was a link missing between the police department and the State's Attorney's office.

"He believed an investigation division could fill that missing link," Lt. Gavin said.

He added that he and Lt. Robert Hewes, now of the Southwestern District, were first appointed to the squad.

"Since my appointment, the job of picking the men has been up to me and I picked the best men known to me," the lieutenant added.

He said that though the men work together, their investigations are done on an individual basis.

"Because of these type of investigations, we have to have men we can trust.

"They're on their own every day, and we can't afford to have a bad apple in the barrel.

"Our squad is like a clock . . .everybody plays a vital part.

"In order to get anything accomplished, you've got to work together, and we do," Lt. Gavin added.

THE DEPARTMENT has built such a reputation since its creation that even criminals have faith in them.

Lt. Gavin said they often get leads from convicted men with valuable information.

He said some of the information has aided them in carrying out successful investigations.

Though not batting a thousand, the investigators usually get convictions from the cases taken to the grand jury.

The latest compiled record available at AFRO presstime was that of 1957 - 1958 in which 215 cases were investigated by the department.

Of those, 61 persons were taken to the grand jury and indicted. 33 were convicted, 10 were acquitted, and 18 are still pending.

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THIS CAN be attributed to thorough and complete investigating before going to the grand jury.

"We like to make sure we have all sides and angles to the case before we decide to take further steps," Lt. Gavin said.

He continued:

"One of the advantages of the squad is that we have the freedom, where actual proof of the crime cannot be obtained, of calling in the suspected party and putting him on guard that his actions are not condoned and that we're wise to him."

He gave an example of a home improvement company that charged a woman $1,400 for a roofing job that was actually worth only about $300.

"There was no law against what the man did, but we called him in and told him that we knew about it and that, though we had no proof, we intended to keep an eye on him," Lt. Gavin related.

"We gave him a good scare, and I believe he gave the woman a rebate on the job."

ALTHOUGH MANY big and important cases are handled yearly by the investigators, Lt. Gavin was quick to point out the Reynolds trial case as one of the most publicized they've handled.

"It was a big case and one that I'm glad we could crack," the lieutenant said.

"We got a chance to help a lot of ordinary, hard working people who were being taken advantage of, and I get the most pleasure in helping those people."

(ED. NOTE: In the Reynolds case, six officials of the home improvement company were tried for conspiracy to defraud its customers.

(They were charged with having customers sign mortgages on their homes without the customers' knowledge and charging double the actual cost of the job, plus ten per cent.

(Five of the six have been convicted and are awaiting sentencing. The other was acquitted.)

In cracking that case, Sgt. Mello and Det. Muhl played vital parts.

They both at one time during the investigation, nearly fell victims of a bribery hoax.

They were allegedly "set up" by two persons and offered money to drop the investigation.

The two men are yet to be tried on charges of attempted bribery.

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"BECAUSE OF the calibre of these two men and although the Chief Inspector handled the complaint with the same dispatch as any other, in a matter of a few hours we had proved that someone was trying to frame them," Lt. Gavin said proudly.

Another case that the investigators were instrumental in cracking, was a case several years ago involving four high ranking members of the police department charged with malfeasance in office.

"I don't like to discuss that case, but we had our duty and we did it. I'm proud of the way we handled it," the lieutenant said.

Lt. Gavin spoke highly of Sgt. Mello.

"Mello's work has been invaluable to the department," he said.

"When he left us for a few months and went back to rackets to be made sergeant, there was a definite cog missing in the wheel.

"He has a good knowledge of crime in the city. . .he's level headed and absolutely trustworthy."

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SGT. MELLO has been with the investigators since a few months after its creation, interrupting his service for several months to return to rackets.

He has been on the force almost 17 years.

Sgt. Mello is a product of Baltimore. He graduated from Douglass High School and attended Loyola College for two years.

He joined the force in 1944 and was promoted to sergeant in 1957.

He is married to the former Miss Belle DeShields. They have two children, Mrs. Marlene Peters and Earl Mello, both city school teachers.

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RECRUITING POLICY for the select group is as follows:

An officer they prefer at least five years police experience; contacts the State's Attorney, Saul A. Harris and he is referred to Lt. Gavin.

If there is an opening, the entire department investigates him and his background until the men are satisfied he will fit into their operation.

Because the work is on their own, they can't afford to have a guy who's going to need watching. We're too busy to have to be watching one of our own men," Lt. Gavin said.

The lieutenant who is responsible only to the State's Attorney, said he would like to have a larger staff and larger quarters.

"We could get twice the job done with more men.

"Our caseload has continually grown since 1951 as the existence of our squad becomes better known to the public.

"I personally would like to have some other officers of Mello's calibre in the department."

Seed Catalogue Time

By Elizabeth Oliver

In tune with the proposed "Make America Beautiful" theme, of today, 1961 forecasts every home and garden will be aglow this summer with a rainbow of—flowers such as never have been seen anywhere.

Every house and corner, from vast gardens of country estates to window sills of urban apartments will have colored blossoms as the beautifying campaign unfolds across the nation in early spring.

Already, professional and amateur gardners have begun poring through seed catalogues, magazines and planters guides.

They're reading the beautifully illustrated best-sellers and dreaming of June roses in January.

But, the seed catalogue has always been a January pastime. The secret of glorious summer gardens is plenty of wise, careful garden - shopping from the armchair before spring comes.

The mailman last week started delivering free seed catalogues and garden guides, treasures of new shrubs, flowers, trees, vegetables and grasses for the new year.

THE FIRST out-door planting date for early spring flowers and vegetables is Jan. 20, despite the cold, if the ground is not frozen.

The sign is Aquarius, according to the Zodiac, and astrological interpretations say this water sign controls root growth and is good for planting and sowing.

This season extends to Feb. 18 and the veteran gardener not only plants and sows, but also prunes, trims and cuts shrubbery, trees and bushes.

Also on the January calendar is the duty to cover the garden with loam, a process called mulching.

Materials used may be hay, straw, or old leaves and grass.

After snow, icy rain, sleet and their effects of freezing, thawing and freezing, have pushed up plant roots, the best protection for them is a warm cover of some kind, the least expensive the better.

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MOTHER NATURE provides the best mulch. As my Indiana ancestors used to say, "Snow is the poor man's fertilizer."

January snow has the power, the warmth, to supply the best protective covering for plants which need to hibernate a few months longer, until spring when it is safe for plants to come through the earth.

Snow does not freeze out plant life after December unless the season is unusually cold.

In fact, the good gardener's January calendar will require that he shovel snow from the walks and pour it over bulbs, under evergreens, into niches in the rock garden, on small garden plants beside the wall.

There's no better or more long-lasting cover.

ALSO ON the January garden must be the winter care of your lawn.

To set the stage for the rainbow flower garden, the turf must be green, thick and durable.

Proper winter care includes raking one more time. Autumn raking did not remove all tree limbs, dried leaves, stones and unnecessary debris.

Before the next snow, sow lightly with grass seed of the best variety. When the snow melts, it will carry the seed into the ground where Mother Nature is waiting to prepare it for early sprouting.

For other January out - door duties, consult a good garden book to know what is best for the variety of shrubbery, trees, bulbs and flowers you have already planted.

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BACK TO the armchair beside the hearth, the garden guide for 1961 shows more than 100 new plants, shrubs, trees, vegetables which are those durable, heat - proof, productive and amazing than ever before.

The 1961 All-American selections include many unusual varieties, easy to care for, quick to grow, lovely to see, a joy from April until December.

The jet plane has been pressed into use and January gardeners, dreaming of June find plants ordered today will be on hand within 24 to 48 hours after the nursery has dug them up.

Mail order plants this year, the catalogue says, are fresher, stronger, better than many of those you may purchase from the roadside bin.

Stocky trees may be shipped for early planting, complete with earth ball covering the roots, all in a polyethene bag for a comparatively small price.

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AS THE fireside gardner becomes excited with visions of palm trees in his Baltimore garden, he should ponder the "geography aspect" and choose only those plants, trees, shrubs, flowers which will grow in this region.

The hothouse or greenhouse is the answer if you wish to disregard geographical specifications and sidestep climate.

Greenhouses have gone modern with glass roofs which touch the ground, at prices from $2,000 or one may purchase the traditional type for as low as $100.

Within the sunlit interior, orchids of any variety, the Venus Fly - trap, exotic tropical plants, shrubs and bushes may be grown year around.

THE 1961 sensation is the "living fence of flowers," overblooming from June until snow time, bursting with fragrant multicolora bits of color.

The hedge may be of geraniums, roses, clematis, bougenville and many other varieties of blossoming vines or plants.

The 1960 favorite "carpet of flowers," a preseeded mat of garden blooms has been improved and now offers the home gardener an easy method— roll it out on top of the ground, water and watch it grow, just where you put it.

The carpet may be cut with the scissors into designs, borders, circles, rows.

New roses offered this year include magnificent super - blooming giants or dwarfs; climbers or long stems.

The "Duet" won the All-America award, as pink and precious; the "Americana," is colorfast red, fragrant; the "Crimson Glory," is a masterpiece for any gardener.

The rose-lover will find best yet plants for flamboyant blooms or aristocratic arrangements, after cutting, for the living room.

New azaleas are also on the market. Some have 4-inch blossoms in white, yellow, orange, red.

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THE FOREVER-LOVED petunia also comes in new improved plants. "Frolic" is the latest, is large, ruffled, vigorous, blooms early, in red and salmon.

Rare and unusual flowers will come from seeds shipped from English growers. The Bells of Ireland, with tall, stock - like blossoms, are due in from Ireland. New cacti are due from South of the Border.

The old favorites, aster, marigolds, snapdragons, larkspur, crysanthemum, gentians, tulips, are coming in more, brilliant, and unusual colors, larger blossoms, longer - living varieties.

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PRAYER PLANTING is a new innovation from the Sleep Learning Research Association in Washington.

They advertise a 144 - page book which tells of the somatonal research which proves prayer makes flowers, trees, shrub, and other plantlife grow bigger and better.

The Plant Of The Month organization will start you off with a lily of the valley plant in January, shipped from Denmark.

"A year of 12 months of pleasure enjoying new flowers by mail," is their motto.

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BOOKS ON the market include such subjects as growing wild flowers, beginning a Bible Garden, how to make a cobblestone court, cooking by the garden calendar, photographing your garden flowers, arranging flowers indoors, how to deal with garden bugs, raising birds and flowers and combating pests and diseases in the garden.

However, the old - fashioned garden is still slated to hold its usual charm, and include scarlet sage, stock, candy tuft, sweet aysum, cocks comb, straw flowers, zinnias, petunias, heliotrope, snapdragons, larkspur and dahlias.

GETTING READY for the seed catalogue and planting season which is nearer than a lot of city farmers realize, this attractive young lady picks out some of the always necessary tools at hardware store. The young gardener is Miss Muriel Beverly, 2302 Mosher St.

FURRY PATH CROSSER — This cat even has the awsome name of Midnight but it means nothing to Miss Edna Hall, 1523 N. Luzerne Ave. You doesn't care a bit about this being Friday the 13th. The cat crosses Edna's path daily and she doesn't mind. She has adopted it from a friend. Next Friday the 13th is in October. This year carries but two of the unlucky days. That may be good news for anyone who worries about such things.