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1951 SPRING OFFERINGS OF GOOD THINGS FOR YOUR FLOWER GARDEN

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Michigan customers please include 3% sales tax with all orders.

We are offering an increased line of plnts this spring, particularly in the field of potted annuals, which have proven very popular. It will help us immensely if we can have all orders for potted annuals in hand by March 1st.

- PANSIES AND VIOLAS--Up to early May we can ship our giant flowering pansies and violas, strong field grown plants ready to bloom. After May 10th plants are too large to ship well. You may order giant flowering mixed and in addition giant white and porcelain blue pansies. Our stock of violas is unusually good and you may have mixed, apricot, yellow, red, blue, white or purple.
- ENGLISH DAISIES AND FORGET-ME-NOTS--English daisies are a double flowering low daisy doing best in semi-shade, and if kept picked will bloom most of the summer. Colors are pink, deep rose and white. Sold in mixture only. The blue, annual forget-me-nots are fine for early bloom with tulips or accent in early borders. Should be shipping them in April at the latest so you can have the full blooming period.

Prices of pansies, violas, English daisies and forget-me-nots, either all alike or assorted, are:  $8_{\pm}$  each, 25 for  $\frac{1}{2}$ .00, minimum order, prepaid.

ANNUAL BEDDING PLANTS

- ASTERS--Finest double types from the best strains of seed obtainable. All colors but yellow in the regular petal type, also white, blue, pink, rose, purple in the comet or irregular petal type. And in addition the anemone type-double with crested centers--very fine for cutting and with large flowers and long stems, in orchid, blue, white, rose, scarlet, peach pink. Can let you have asters in mixture--over twenty varieties and colors--as many prefer to have them that way. Prepaid prices are 60¢ dozen, 3 dozen for \$1.65, 100 for \$3.75. Minimum order one dozen, not less than three of a kind or color. Potted asters of any of the above 13¢ each. You gain a whole month of bloom by getting the potted plants. Minimum order of potted plants 12.
- ANTIRHHINUMS (Snapdragons) -- For outside blooming. I am again offering Harris' Colossal, giant flowering, in shades of orange, crimson, white, pink,yellow, cherry rose and mixed. Also in mixture the giant flowering new Tetraploids that are very fine. Any of the above at 70¢ a dozen prepaid or five cents each for fifty or more. Potted plants of the above at 13¢ each, minimum order one dozen, not less than three of a color. See under potted annuals for description and prices of other snapdragons.
- MARIGOLDS-Giant African doubles in orange, lemon or mixed. Also dwarf marigolds in orange, yellow, maroon and gold. In the dwarf we have named kinds: Spry, Sunkist orange, Butterball yellow, Redhead, and Naughty Marietta. 65¢ a dozen prepaid, 50 for \$2.00. Potted marigolds of any of the above 15¢ each in lots of one dozen or more. All prepaid.

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- SALVIA--The brilliant red, showy late summer flower which blooms until frozen down. Earliest is "St. John's Fire," 12 inches; "Bonfire," midseason to frost; "Splendens," tall, fall blooming until frost. The last most showy of all but with a little shorter blooming season. Strong plants 70¢ a dozen, 3 dozen for \$1.90. Potted salvias, 18¢ each, minimum order one dozen.
- VERBENAS-Brilliant colors in this grand bedding plant. Your choice of Scarlet, Royal Purple, Mid-blue, White, Pink, Salmon and Mixed. 75¢ a dozen prepaid. Potted stock of any verbenas, minimum one dozen, not less than 3 any color, 18¢ each prepaid.
- ZINNIAS--All colors of the giant dahlia flowered, also mixed; Fantasy type in rose, orange and scarlet; baby pompons in salmon-rose, orange, scarlet and yellow. 55¢ a dozen, 50 for \$2.00. Potted zinnias 13¢ each.
- PLEASE NOTE: Shipment of annuals will be at proper planting time and we will try to have a continuous supply until about the last of June. Due to our local Memorial Day trade, no shipping can be done during last week of May.

In potted annuals, list of which follows, we desire to have advance orders as far as possible. Our space for growing these items is limited. We would be greatly helped to know just what number of each kind and color would be wanted for later planting. So you can be sure, and to help us out, please order potted annuals not later than March 1st. You gain weeks in blooming time and no transplanting difficulties with potted plants. Minimum order one dozen.

ASTERS-See first page.

ANNUAL LARKSPURS-Finest and newest giant flowering types, base branching, in pink, rose, white, blue or mixed. 13¢ each.

CALENDULAS-A fine large flowered, long stemmed class:

Persimmon Beauty, giant orange.

Lemon Beauty, giant pure yellow.

Apricot Beauty, two-toned, large bloom. Each 15¢.

AGERATUMS-Finest dwarf, "Blue Bedder" 20¢ each.

BEGONIAS--Compact, free flowering bedding type. Scarlet or rose, in bud or bloom, 25¢ each.

- LOBELIAS--Compact plants covered with bright blue flowers. Grand for borders, boxes, urns. Best in partial shade. 25¢ in bud and bloom.
- MARGUERITES-All double annual carnations. You can now have garden carnations for cutting practically all summer. This strain comes in a bewildering range of colors, of good size and long stems. Bloom heavy until frost. 20¢ each.

MARIGOLDS--See first page for description and prices.

PETUNIAS--Double white, variegated, salmon, rose, purple and mixed. 30¢ each. Giant singles in white, purple, pink, and ruffled giants mixed.

Any of the giant singles at  $20\phi$  each.

Single bedding type for borders, beds and window boxes: Celestial Rose, King Henry, red; deep purple; Admiral, fluted deep blue; White Perfection; Twinkles, pink with white star; Howard's Star, purple with white star; many kinds in mixture.  $17\phi$  each.

"FIRE CHIEF"--The new, bright scarlet petunia awarded highest and only flower medal in 1949 All-America trials. 20¢ each.

PINK CLEOME, Spider Plant--Exceptionally fine for tall borders or groups in full sun. Blooms July to frost, increasing in beauty each day. Up to three feet high and two wide. Each 20¢.

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RUDBECKIA "Starlight"-Double form of Black-eyed Susan and much more free flowering. Flowers are large, long stemmed and grand for cutting. Colors are various shades of marcon and gold. 18¢ each.

SALVIA-See prices for potted plants on page 2.

UNWIN DAHLIAS-Demand has been very heavy for this item year after year. In rich soil with plenty of moisture these single, semi-double to full double dahlias, in a wide range of colors, give you a maximum of delight both for beauty in the row and for cutting. The roots of especially fine ones may be saved over the same as other dahlias. Each 20¢.
VERBENAS-See page 2 for descriptions and prices.
ZINNIAS-See page 2 for descriptions and prices.

Assort as you wish, but not less than 3 of a kind or color. Minimum order accepted for potted plants, one dozen. Michigan customers include the legal 3% sales tax. Please note that all prices quoted include delivery.

Special Items in Potted Annuals.

Antirrhinums--Snapdragons. Tetraploid Pan American Pink. Huge florets on big spikes. The outstanding pink outdoor snapdragon. Each 20¢. Tetra Yellow--huge spikes and large florets. Each 18¢. Tetra No. 6--Deep salmon pink with white tube. Each 18¢. Tetra Orchid--Rich orchid purple with sulphur-yellow blotch. Each 18¢. Burpee's Double Yellow--Flowers rich, deep golden yellow. Each 20¢. Skyscraper--The tallest, and longest flower head. Mixed only. Each 18¢. Marigold--"Glitters." New, clear yellow chrysanthemum-like blooms. Long stems

topped by huge 3-4 inch flowers. Each 18¢.

Salvia-"Brightness." Brilliant red salvia of the tall Splendens type, but coming into bloom in midseason. Also "Rose Flame," a bright rose pink salvia that is new and blooms very early. Either 20¢ each.

Petunia--"Gypsy" New, compact brilliant salmon scarlet. A grand, profuse blooming bedding variety. Each 20¢. Tithonia--"Torch." Awarded medal as best new flower in all-America trials this

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Cleome--"Helen Campbell." A pure white form of the spider plant. Grows four feet and makes a wonderful annual hedge. Each 20¢. Plant 18 inches spart and in full sun.

Zinnias-Burpee's new mixture offered for the first time. Mostly pastel shades in a petal formation that takes the stiffness out of zinnias. They are very long stemmed and the largest bloom yet. Each 18¢.

---- Perennials ----

Alyssum--"Basket of Gold." Spring flowering rock plant. Large plants, 30¢. Arabis-Earliest white for the rock garden. Strong plants 25¢.

Bleeding Hearts--Strong 3 to 5-eye divisions, 90¢, 3 for \$2.50. As these come so very early, you should order at once for early April delivery.

Candytuft-White, tinted lavender. Completely covers plant with its striking bloom, lasting for weeks. Do not allow to seed. Each 25¢.

Canterbury Bells-Cup and Saucer type. Mixture of colors only. Each 20¢.

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Campanula---Peachleaf Bellflower. A beautiful plant for semi-shade, tall spikes of blue or white bells, blooming over a long period. Either color 204. Carnations-Hardy Grenadins. We have them in mixture only this spring. 20¢. Coventry Bells-Purple campanula, very hardy. Makes large clumps with many pretty purple spikes. Best in shade or partial shade. 30¢ each. Columbine-Long-spurred hybrids, mixed colors. Year-old 25¢. Coreopsis-Semi-double "Sunburst." All-summer bloomer. Long stemmed, pure yellow, daisy type flower. 20¢. Cone Flower-Giant crimson single daisy. Very fine lasting cut flower. 25¢. Flax-Blue flowering. A mass of beautiful bright blue every sunny morning for about six weeks in mid-summer. Full sun. Lives for years. Each 25t. Foxglove---Tall spikes of purple, white and pink shades. Heavy plants 254. Gaillardia-Monarch strain. Red and yellow flowers. Blooms all summer if kept well picked. Each 20¢. Hardy Asters-Tall, flowering heavily in autumn. Bright pink, rose or purple. Strong divisions 25¢. Hibiscus-Extra fine strain giant mallows in wide range of colors. Young plants that will bloom this fall. Each 20¢. Loddon Gold-Beautiful, fully double hardy sunflower. Grows three feet high, and produces a good supply of three to four-inch golden yellow bloom on strong stems. A grand cut flower, resembling a yellow dahlia. Must be be divided every other spring. Strong started roots 25¢ each. Oriental Poppies---Color marvels of the early summer garden. August and September delivery only, when dormant. 50¢ each prepaid, or one each of light and deep pink, bright rose, crimson and scarlet --- all giant flowering -- for \$2.25. Place your order now for summer delivery. Painted Daisies--We have a fine supply of heavy year-old stock in mixed colors only (all shades of pink through to deep red.) Some will come double. Increase in beauty each year. 30¢ each. Pinks--Spice scented double and single Scotch. Heavy young plants 20¢. Phlox-Me have a grand collection of many new and unusual colors. Let us send you a planting of ten all different, bright colors, strong plants that will give you lots of bloom this fall, for only \$3.75; 3 sets for \$10.50. Prepaid Platycodons-Balloon flower, Buds have appearance of an inflated balloon. Shell pink and deep blue. Two-year roots of either, 40¢ each. Polyanthus Primroses-We have a fine lot of a new, giant flowering strain from Oregon. They are said to be rich in color variations and of extra size. Must be planted in nearly full shade. So that you may have this season's full bloom, order now for early delivery. Year-old 35¢ each. Saponaria--Border, wall or rock garden plant. Mass of pink bloom in late May. Don't miss this grand item. Very hardy. Each 25¢. Shasta Daisies--Giant single white daisies, in bloom about six weeks. Heavy young plants for this summer's blooming, 20¢ each. Prices on all of the above perennials include delivery if your order for them amounts to \$2.00 or more. For smaller orders of perennials, we must ask 10% additional to cover cost of postage and packing. Delivery of most hardy plants will be during April.

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#### Tall Bearded Iris

Following is a list of some of the finer iris, which we will have available for delivery from late July to mid-September. Order now and shipment will be made when you indicate after July 20th.

Anna Nash	34 inches.	Pink to Red toned. Fragrant and profuse,	\$0.35
Ariana	36 inches.	White plicata, with blue veining,	.35
			.35
At Dawning	40 inches.	Arbutus pink, large bi-color,	
Black Douglas	36 inches.	Black purple, rich velvety color,	.35
Brown Monarch	Tall bronsy	brown, large and ruffled,	.35
Coral Mist	36 inches.	Pink and deep coral, large and fine,	. 50
Dubrovnik	38 inches.	Deep rose and gold,	. 50
El Mohr —	36 inches.	Giant red purple, ruffled,	.35
Ethelyn Kleits		Beautiful light red,	.40
Flora Zenor		Cameo Pink, very fine,	.40
Gallant Leader		Large, rose red standards, marcon falls,	, 50
Giant White		form, pure color,	.50
Great Lakes		Pure medium blue, grand,	.35
Golden Hind		Deepest golden of all,	.35
Kalinga	48 inches.		.35
Mulberry Rose	40 inches.	Giant, mulberry rose, light brown shading,	. 50
Matterhorn	38 inches.	Pure white, large. Extra,	. 50
Ola Kala	Probably the	e finest pure yellow, still scarce,	1.00
Ossar	32 inches.		.35
Sable		Darkest deep purple, large,	. 35
Siegfried		Plicata, yellow and brown stitched,	.35
Tiffany		Yellow plicata, bronze, pink and violet,	
			• 35
Wabash	jo menes.	White standards, falls bright purple,	25
		edged white,	. 35
	All quoted j	prepaid.	

We furnish strong, healthy fans that should bloom next year.

#### Gladiolus Bulbs

Varieties quoted below are large blooming size bulbs, and all are priced at  $10\phi$  each, 6 of a kind for  $55\phi$ . Giant flowering and really beautiful.

Anna Mae - Early pure white, large Algonquin - Large light red. - Geranium pink Acadia - Giant old rose, tall Bagdad Bridesmaid - Grand giant pink Buena Vista - Tall rose red, fine. - ruffled deepest rose. One Burma of finest in existence. Chamouny - Rose, edged white Daisy Mae - Giant orange, tall Debonaire - Pleasing pink. Ethel Cave Cole - Giant light pink Firebrand - Tall, fine medium red Huntress - Extra early orchid, large Kestrel - a fine orange Lavender Ruffles - Pretty ruffled flower Lady Jane - Extra fine large cream Mother Kedel - midseason pure yellow

New Era-Tall, heavily ruffled rose. Opalescent - Good light lavender Paradise - Early, salmon buff, tall Picardy - The standard giant pink Red Charm--Extra deep red Rita Mae- Extra fine light red Salman's Glory--Large white with red throat blotch S-41 - Extra large pure white Silentium- white with red throat Snow Princess--Early pure white Spotlight-Yellow red throat, best. White Gold - Giant cream

12 all different labelled, our selection \$1.00; not labelled, 90#

Finest mixed, 75¢ a dozen

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## Hemerocallis, Day Lilies

We have a quantity of these popular lilies, and listed below are twelve of the best varieties in the medium price range. All plants are strong, blooming size divisions and cover the complete color range and season of this family of lilies. These will be available all through April and May. Prices include delivery, but minimum prepaid order is \$2.00. If you are a Michigan customer, the 3% sales tax must be added.

Prices are for single plants. Six of a kind for the price of five.

Bagdad	-	42 inches. Gay combination of orange, red, yellow and
		madder brown. June-July. 40¢
Bijou	-	25 inches. Small flowered multiflora type especially suited
		to the rock garden. Orange overcast red. July. 40¢.
Chengtu	-	48 inches. Brilliant and attractive day lily. Flame scarlet
		with carmine star midzone and orange throat. Perfect form,
		crimped edges pleasingly curved. July. 75¢.
Cinnabar	-	3 feet. One of the very best. Open flowers six inches across;
Contraction of State over State over		wide petals canary yellow brushed red, deep red in throat plus
		a deep clear yellow star at the throat; narrow alternating
		petals of deep yellow and orange. July-August. 40¢.
George Ye	1d -	One of the very best lilies. Six-inch flowers, height 3 feet.
		Flowers have wide petal of canary yellow, with deep red throat.
		Blooms July-August. 50¢.
Gold Dust	-	30 inches. Fine deep orange. May-June. 30¢.
Goldeni	-	28 inches. Very deep orange. Large refined flower of smooth
		texture. June-July. 30¢.
Hyperion	-	44 inches. Largest and one of the finest day lilies. Seven-
		inch flowers, pale yellow of most artistic form. Very fragrant.
		July-August. 50¢.
Linda	•	3 feet. Finely ruffled, golden yellow with contrating throat
		marking of rose-red. Midseason. 40¢.
Mikado	•	3 feet. Handsome large flower, rich orange with deep mahogany-
		red throat. Its charm is due to the bold color contrasts and
		perfection of form. June-July. 35¢.
Ophir	**	50 inches. Golden yellow trumpet shaped flowers 5 inches across,
		borne 25 to 30 to a stem. Award of merit Royal Horticultural
		Society of England. July-August . 40¢.
Sir Michae	el Fo	oster - 4 feet. Fine large ruffled, very fragrant flowers of
		clear empire yellow without a mark of any kind. June-July. 404

One each of the above twelve "finest" of the day lilies for \$4.25.

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## Dahlias-Giant Flowering Unless Otherwise Noted

Ballego's Surprise (Cactus) - Very fine white, Bronze Beauty (Decorative) - Beautiful deep bronze,	\$0.60 .60
Chief Kokomo (Dec.) - Medium size. Beautiful rose cut flower,	.50
Commando (Dec.) - Big dark lavender, very fine,	.60
	.50
Elinor Van der Meer (Dec.) - Fine medium lavender,	.50
Francis Larocco (Dec.) - Light yellow,	
Frank Miller (Dec.) - Deep pure yellow, fine cut flower,	.50
Gallant Fox (Dec.) - Brilliant dark red,	.50
Hillside Gold (Semi-Cactus) - Large, early and free blooming,	.75
Jean Trimbe (Semi-Cactus) - Violet,	.75
Jersey's Beacon (Dec.) - Chinese red, big and striking,	.60
Jersey's Beauty (Dec.) - Real rose-pink,	.50
Maffie (Semi-Cactus) - Bright glowing red,	.80
Pink Flamingo (Cactus) - Rose pink, yellow blend at base,	.75
Queen City (Dec.) - Brilliant rose red, best cut flower,	H A
Early and a very heavy bloomer,	.60
Rose Fallon (Dec.) - Our tallest. Long stemmed, extra double deep	141
flower. Pure light bronze.	.60
Son of Satan (Cactus) - Giant, brilliant scarlet,	.75
White King (Dec.) - Fine white for cutting,	.50
White Winner (Dec.) - Extra double, free flowering, a dandy,	.75

## Miniatures -- small free flowering decorative type

Fairy - Deep pink, free flowering sort, early. Orchid Lady - Somewhat larger than Fairy and more of a lavender pink. Snow Sprite - Pure white, inclining to the cactus type. Plant early. Miniatures 40¢ each.

Pompons--small doubles about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 inches in size.

Amber Queen--Pure amber yellow. Cardinal--Deep red, often showing pink flowers on same plant. Morning Mist--White, tipped lavender. Snow Clad--Rather tall growing, pure white. Yellow Gem--Pure yellow. Pompons, 40¢ each.

Dahlias ready for delivery in late April.

In Conclusion--

We wish to thank our customers for their patronage last year and in former years. Every order is sincerely appreciated.

Prices-- They are all marked up a little this year, but they do include delivery charges, so that the cost to you will be no more than formerly, and in many cases less.

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