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# GERANIUMS

ROACHDALE, INDIANA

# HOW TO GROW GERANIUMS

## GERANIUMS OUTDOORS

**Soil:** Any garden soil that will grow common annual or perennial plants will grow Geraniums. If the soil is too rich, Geraniums produce soft, leggy branches, dense foliage and a scarcity of bloom. If the soil is too poor, they produce pale foliage and small blooms. Ideal soil is slightly acid (about pH 6.5), 3 parts clay loam, 1 part coarse sand, and 1 part organic matter.

**Sun:** Geraniums require a lot of sunshine. yet, if at all possible, they should be shaded during the hottest part of the day to produce the best flowers. Geraniums will not do well in complete shade.

**Water:** When the soil appears dry, soak to a depth of at least 6 inches. It is much better to soak the ground once or twice a week than to sprinkle the soil every day. Always water early enough in the day so that the foliage will be dry by night.

**Space:** For beautiful beds allow only 8 inches in all directions for spreading. Pinch-

ing the tops of each plant will promote branching but will delay blooming several weeks.

**Fertilizer:** Bonemeal is excellent; mix in a liberal amount while preparing your soil. For additional feeding we recommend Plant Marvel.

**Geraniums** growing outdoors will drop most of their foliage if dug and potted for inside use during the winter. It is better to take cuttings from the older plants and start with fresh plants for indoor growing. Take cuttings, anytime, 4 to 6 inches long from strong branches that have leaves growing close together. Remove the leaves far enough up the stem to allow the cutting to stand upright when placed in moist sand. This sand should be about 4 inches deep in a box placed in a sunny spot. Cut a narrow trench in the sand and stick the cuttings to a depth of about 2 inches, then pat the sand firmly. Keep the sand moist; roots should appear in 3 weeks.

## GERANIUMS INDOORS

**Soil:** Mix together 3 parts good garden soil and 1 part peat moss, pack dirt firmly around plants. Have the soil moist, but not wet, when potting.

**Containers:** Clay pots are the best. Do not use too large a pot for Geraniums, they bloom best when a little pot bound. It is better to repot the plants, increasing the size pot each time. Leave at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch of space at the top of each pot for watering, leave more room for larger containers. Always have good drainage.

**Sun:** To bloom indoors, Geraniums must have direct sun. Place them as close to the glass as possible.

**Water:** Do not allow the soil to become water-logged or soggy. Once a week, especially on a sunny day, soak the plant. The rest of the time only enough to keep it from drying out.

**Feeding:** Do not feed unless the plants have stopped growing or the foliage is too pale. Use any good fertilizer. If you use Vigoro, put a small pinch on top of the soil before watering the plants. We like to use Plant Marvel—it is completely soluble in water. Do not over-feed—Geraniums do not require heavy fertilization.

Geraniums grown indoors during the winter may be planted outside in the spring, after the danger of frost is past.

*Here's an Authority!*

B-101—*GERANIUMS* by Helen Van Pelt Wilson

This book has delighted Geranium enthusiasts everywhere. Tells you how to grow them successfully from Maine to California. Contains chapters on the different types of Geraniums and lists over 300 varieties, many in color and line drawings.

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*or just*  
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- ✓ To make you more than satisfied with our plants and service. If you're not delighted they won't cost you a penny.
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# GARDEN OR ZONAL GERANIUMS

(PELARGONIUM HORTORUM)

No flower rivals the Geranium for brilliance of color and sheer beauty. Mass plantings in your flower beds, along walks, in urns, porch and window boxes will be admired by you and all who view. Yes, Geraniums will add that note of distinction to your home.

You will receive plants 4 to 8 inches tall that will bloom soon and grow into specimen plants.



## DOUBLE DARK RED

**G-102—Better Times**—Huge deep red flowers produced by compact plant. Most popular red.

**G-103—Pride of Camden**—Very free flowering velvety red. Fairly compact plant.

**G-104—Lady Jane** — Large rich crimson flowers that grow in fine clusters and last very well.

**G-105—New Ruby**—Crimson-red with ruby tones. Large clusters produced on slender stems.

## DOUBLE BRIGHT RED

**G-116—Olympic Red**—Many people rate this the best bright red. Makes a beautiful pot plant—compact and covered with bloom.

**G-117—Radio Red**—Most brilliant of the reds. Ideal for flower beds because it withstands the hot sun and adverse conditions.

**G-118—Red Fiat**—Bright scarlet flowers produced by sturdy plant.

**G-119—Improved Ricard**—An improvement of the old reliable variety. Vigorous growth produces huge scarlet flowers.

**G-120—Sensation**—Scarlet flowers tinged white on lower side of petals. Easily grown, robust plant.

**G-121—Wyona**—An old favorite reliable variety. Large scarlet bloom grown by large sturdy plant.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00; 50 for \$9.00; 100 for \$17.00**

## GERANIUM SEED

You can easily grow your own Geraniums. You'll love watching them grow in your sunny window. We offer a mixture of the single types in shades of white, pink, salmon and red.

**S-100 Packet, 25c—contains 75 or more seeds; 1/16 oz., \$1.00**

# USE WILSON BROTHERS' GERANIUMS TO SURROUND YOUR HOME WITH BEAUTY

## DOUBLE DEEP PINK

**G-130—Pink Abundance**—Really produces an abundance of soft salmon-rose blooms on long sturdy stems.

**G-131—Double Dryden**—Large bright rose flowers with white centers. Strong, free blooming plant.

**G-132—Mrs. Gloede** — Many deep rose flowers produced by this strong growing plant.

**G-133—Irvington Beauty**—Deep salmon-rose flowers. Bushy, medium sized plant.

## DOUBLE SALMON PINK

**G-141—Pink Fiat**—Outstanding for pot plants because of its growth and free blooming habits. A beautiful salmon-pink.

**G-142—Mme. Landry**—Unusual dark salmon flowers of fine form. Zoned foliage.

**G-143—Picardy** — Clear salmon pink; Large free flowering; quick growing. Named after the gladiolus, Picardy.

**G-144—Beaute Poitevine**—Light salmon-apricot flowers with deeper colored centers. Strong, bushy plant.

**G-145—Salmon Ideal**—Large deep salmon-apricot bloom. Sturdy plant. Has gold and orange tones.

**G-146—Salmon Supreme** — Large light salmon-apricot flowers. Free blooming, compact bushy plant. One of the best for pots or bedding.

**G-148—Pink Sensation** — Lovely salmon-pink bloom produced by a compact plant. One of our proven introductions.

**G-149—Fiat Supreme**—Clear salmon-pink. Quick growing; free flowering.

## DOUBLE LIGHT PINK

**G-161—La France**—Very double shrimp-colored flowers shading to deeper center.

**G-167—Apple Blossom** — Very delicate shading from white center to deep pink edge. Compact plant with zoned foliage.

**G-168—Enchantress Fiat** — Large light shrimp flowers often much lighter at edges. Compact bushy plant. Very popular.

**G-170—Presilly** — A lovely light orchid pink.

## DOUBLE WHITE

**G-155—Madame Buchner**—The most popular white. Free flowering compact plant.

**G-156—Snowball**—Huge white flowers of fine form.

**G-158—Alaska**—Large white bloom. Makes nice pot plant.

**G-159—White Madonna** — A full double white. Many consider this a superior white.

## SINGLE VARIETIES

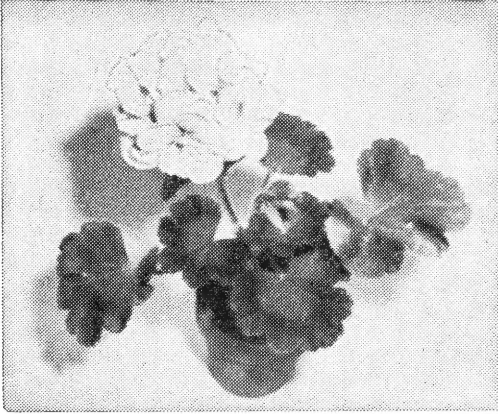
**G-177—Nuit Poitevine** — Large bright crimson flowers blending to wine-red. A very popular dark single.

**G-178—Buster Crabbe** — Tall plant with large salmon-coral flowers.

**G-179—John Forbes** — Large dark red flowers with darker centers grow in large clusters.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00; 50 for \$9.00; 100 for \$17.00**

# ENCHANTRESS SUPREME



G-169—ENCHANTRESS SUPREME  
—A proven success! Since we introduced this variety in 1948 the supply has never equalled the demand. Large double light salmon pink produced the year round make it one of the best house plants.

**30c each; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$22.50**

## LARGER, OLDER GERANIUMS

By popular demand we offer these larger Geraniums in BUD or BLOOM. Orders of 12 or more plants will be shipped standing up in paper pots.

These beautiful Geraniums will be named and labeled varieties available only by the following classification:

- GL-701—Double Dark Red.**
- GL-702—Double Bright Red.**
- GL-703—Double Deep Pink.**
- GL-704—Double Salmon Pink.**
- GL-705—Double Light Pink.**
- GL-706—Double White.**
- GL-707—Single Varieties.**
- GL-708—Assortment (of all listed above)**

**50c each; 12 for \$5.00; 50 for \$18.00**

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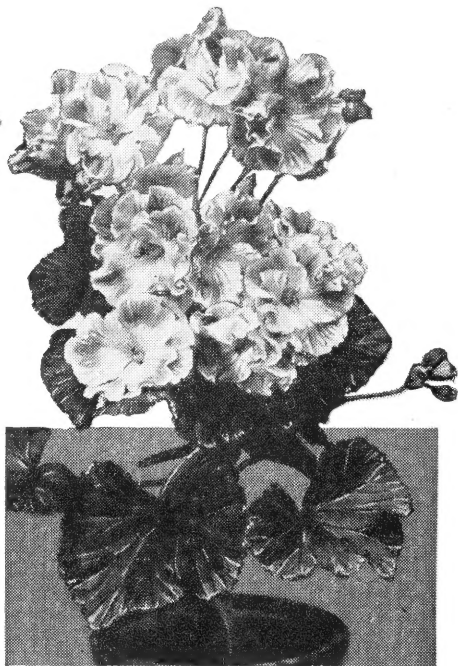


# LADY WASHINGTON GERANIUMS

(PELARGONIUM DOMESTICUM)

Also known as Show, Regal or Martha Washington Geraniums and often as just Pelargoniums.

Size and beauty of the Lady Washington Geraniums make them the loveliest of all Geraniums. Individual plants may grow into specimens more than three feet in diameter, covered with velvety textured flowers 3 to 5 inches across. Long lasting cut flowers make them ideal for bouquets and other decorative uses.



**GP-604 — Conchita** — Glowing phlox-purple with deeper markings and splashes. The upper petals are deep maroon with a margin of color like that of the lower petals.

**GP-605—Congo**—New dark shaded and wavy petaled variety. Each petal shows a deep velvety maroon blotch shading to rose-violet with maroon lilac trim. Heavily veined black.

**GP-610—Johnny Jump Up**—Long lower petals white with edges rolled under; rose red "bush mark" spot in center of petals. Upper petals white at base, rest velvety deep maroon with irregular white edge.

**GP-612—Marie Rober**—Magenta purple to black. Good foliage; large flowers.

**GP-613—Marie Vogel**—Red, faintly flushed salmon, dark blotches on upper petals. Very large flowers with waved petals. Finest red.

**GP-615—Peach Blow**—Palest peach or orchid, white at very edge of petals, veined deep crimson from base to the round medium large red blotch in center of petals. Blotch flushed and surrounded light violet rose.

**GP-621—Spring Song**—Wavy petaled variety in delicate pink. Upper petals veined deep crimson from a medium size velvety red blotch; lower petals have deep crimson veins. Free-flowering.

**GP-623—Sue Jarrett**—Salmon pink with unusually large markings of velvety maroon on upper petals, lighter at base, darkening around the center spot. Early; free-flowering.

**GP-627—Haille Selassie**—Rose-violet, fading toward edge of petals, heavily veined maroon and rose. Each petal blotched velvety brown. Low, bushy plant.

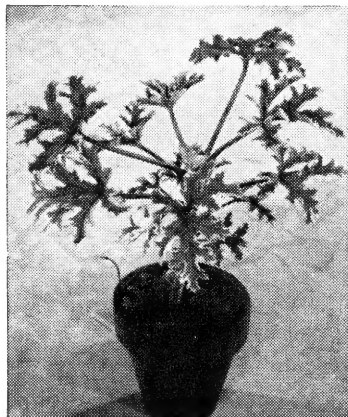
**GP-632—Grandma Fischer**—Deep salmon with brownish black blotches. Large flowers, waved petals.

**GP-637—Easter Greetings** — Cerise with black markings. Early and exceptionally long blooming.

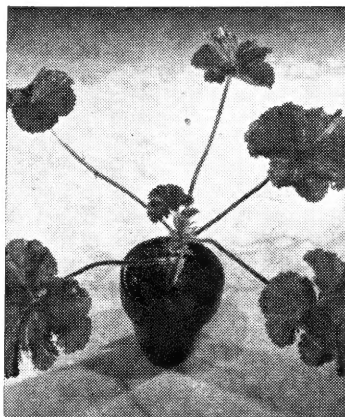
**GP-640—Mrs. Loyal**—Small purple, rose and white blended flowers. Compact bushy growth. Blooms early and for long season. Excellent pot plant. The famous Pansy Geranium.

**40c each; 8 for \$3.00**

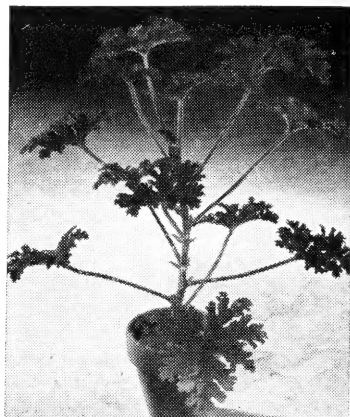
# SCENTED-LEAF GERANIUMS



Lady Plymouth



Snowflake Rose



Camphor Rose

For a new thrill in flower gardening try Scented Geraniums! Their unique foliage may be used in hundreds of ways to add beauty and an aromatic scent. Try them in corsages, bouquets and centerpieces. Also Scented Geraniums are fine for planting among other flowers or to scent an entrance or patio.

You and your friends will enjoy thumbing their leaves and smelling the fragrance. No two have the same scent or shaped leaves.

## ROSE SCENTED

**GS-201—Snowflake Rose (*P. adicifolium*)**—Extra large, rangy plant with mammoth fan-shaped leaves blotched with white. Lavender bloom.

**GS-202—Camphor Rose (*P. graveolens camphorum*)**—Deeply cut camphor scented leaves. Small orchid flowers, purple-veined.

**GS-203—Attar of Roses (*P. capitatum*)**—Tall growing, deeply cut, highly scented leaves. Small orchid flowers.

**GS-205—Fern Leaf (*P. denticulatum filicifolium*)**—Finest cut leaf of all. Tall spreading plant resembles the fern. Tiny white flowers.

**GS-206—Dr. Livingston (*P. graveolens*)**—Tall plant, finely divided leaves. Small light orchid flowers.

**GS-209—Lady Plymouth (*P. graveolens*)**—Green leaves are covered with white blotches.

**GS-210—Old Fashioned Rose (*P. graveolens*)**—Deeply cut heart shaped leaf. Tall compact plant. Small orchid flowers, veined purple.

**GS-211—Shrubland Rose**—Large crinkly leaves. Red flower. Compact, bushy plant.

## SPICE SCENTED

**GS-255—*P. australis***—Trailing plant with large, zoned leaves. Small clusters of delicate lavender flowers. Spicy scent.

**GS-256—Nutmeg (*P. fragrans*)**—Small, round, light green leaves; slightly scalloped. Clusters of tiny white flowers.

**GS-257—Logee's Nutmeg (*P. fragrans*)**—Cross between Apple and Nutmeg Geraniums. Viny plant with delicate white flowers. Upper petals veined with purple.

**GS-258—Ginger (*P. torento*)**—Rounded serrate leaves with grey stems. Ginger scent.

**30c each; 8 for \$2.00; 50 for \$10.00**

# You'll Enjoy the Many Scents



**Nutmeg**



**Filbert**



**Finger Bowl Geranium**

## LEMON SCENTED

**GS-221—*P. crispum lactifolia*** — Fruity orange scent. Medium sized leaves.

**GS-222—Prince Rupert (*P. crispum*)** — Strong lemon scent. Large handsome plant with orchid flowers veined with purple.

**GS-223—Lime Scented (*P. nervosum*)**— Deep green, lime scented leaves. Woody stemmed with trailing branches.

**GS-224—Lady Mary (*P. limoneum*)** — Tall grower. Fan-shaped, light green leaves.

**GS-225—*P. melissimum***—Tri-lobed, lemon scented leaves. Handsome, sturdy plant.

**GS-229—Finger Bowl Geranium (*P. crispum minor*)**—Tiny stemless leaves, strong citronella scent. Pale lavender flowers.

**GS-226—Prince of Orange (*P. citriodorum*)**—Tall bushy plant with light green, fan shaped leaves. Large white flowers tinged with pink. Upper petals veined purple.

**GS-227—Rober's Lemon Rose (*P. graveolens*)**—Long narrow, divided crinkly leaf. Velvety appearance with clusters of small orchid flowers.

## FRUIT SCENTED

**GS-235—Cody's Nutmeg (*P. fragrans*)**— Cross between Apple and Nutmeg Geraniums; tiny white flowers.

**GS-236 — Apple-Scented (*P. odoratissimum*)**—Light green velvety leaves; compact plant; tiny white flowers with red spots on upper two petals. Smells like an apple barrel.

**GS-239—Apricot (*P. scabrum*)**—Dark glossy pointed leaves, deeply toothed. Large rose flowers.

**GS-237 — Filbert** — Light green, hairy leaves and stems. Filbert scent.

**GS-238—Pretty Polly** — Almond-scented. Crisp, fresh looking 5-lobed leaves. Flowers rare but are a lovely pink.

## MINT SCENTED

**GS-265—Godfrey's Pride**—Large leaves, lightly variegated. Prostrate grower. Light pink flower.

**GS-267—Peppermint (*P. tomentosum*)**— Large grape-like hairy leaves. Low, spreading growth.

**GS-266—Pungent Peppermint (*P. denticulatum tomentosum*)**—Deeply cut, hairy leaves. Wonderful mint scent. Tall grower.

**GS-268—Joy Lucile (*P. tomentosum x graveolens*)**—Strong mint scent. Large triangularly lobed light green, "felt" leaves. Pink flowers.

**30c each; 8 for \$2.00; 50 for \$10.00**

# SCENTED-LEAF GERANIUMS



Gooseberry



Rober's Lemon Rose



Sharp-Toothed Oak

## PUNGENT SCENTED

**GS-275—*P. abrotanifolium*** — Finely cut leaves; tiny white flowers faintly veined with red. Strong aromatic scent.

**GS-276 — *Beauty (P. quercifolium)*** — Spreading plant with rough, dark green, oak-shaped leaves with brown zone.

**GS-277 — *P. blandfordianum*** — Strong sweet scent. Large rangy plant with deeply cut fuzzy leaves. Small white flowers veined with purple.

**GS-278—*Capri*** — Large crisp, crinkled leaves. Mild scent. Crimson flowers.

**GS-279 — *Clorinda*** — Eucalyptus scent. Compact plant with oak-shaped leaves. Large pink flowers.

**GS-280—*Round Leaf Balm (P. dennisianum)***—Large fragrant leaves. Spreading growth. Free flowering lavender, upper petals brushed purple.

**GS-281—*P. decipiens*** — Large fan-shaped leaves. Spreading growth with tiny rose flowers.

**GS-282—*Fair Ellen (P. quercifolium)*** — Purple marked, rough textured leaf. Sticky stem and leaf. Lavender flowers, spotted purple.

**GS-283—*Gooseberry (P. grossularioides)***—Woody bushy plant. Deep green leaves blotched with yellow. Resembles the Gooseberry bush.

**GS-284—*Little Gem (P. terebinthinaceum)*** —Compact, low-growing plant with light green hairy leaves. Rose pink flowers with red markings.

**GS-285—*Mrs. Kingsley (P. rapaceum)***—Small ruffled and silvered leaves remind one of parsley. Red flowers.

**GS-286—*Mrs. Taylor (P. ignescens)*** — Crinkly leaves on a spreading plant. Bright red flowers.

**GS-287—*Pheasant's Foot (P. viscosum)***—Deeply cut leaf has appearance of a pheasant's footprint. Light orchid flower veined purple. Strong scent.

**GS-288—*Prostrate Oak (P. quercifolium prostratum)***—Low growing plant with oak-shaped leaves having light brown zone. Deep orchid flowers.

**GS-289—*Giant Oak (P. quercifolium giganteum)***—Coarse tall grower having small rose flowers. Deep purple veined leaves.

**GS-290—*Sharp-toothed Oak (P. quercifolium pinnatifidum)***—Purple marked medium sized leaf. Pale pink flowers deeply marked rose.

**GS-292—*Skeleton's Unique (P. quercifolium)***—Dark green leaves with brown zone. Deep orchid flowers marked purple. Prostrate growth.

**GS-293 — *Cocoanut (P. parviflorum)*** — Small and compact with dark leaves and clusters of tiny magenta flowers.

**30c each; 8 for \$2.00; 50 for \$10.00**

# IVY LEAF GERANIUMS

(PELARGONIUM PELTATUM)

Also known as Ivy or Trailing Geraniums.

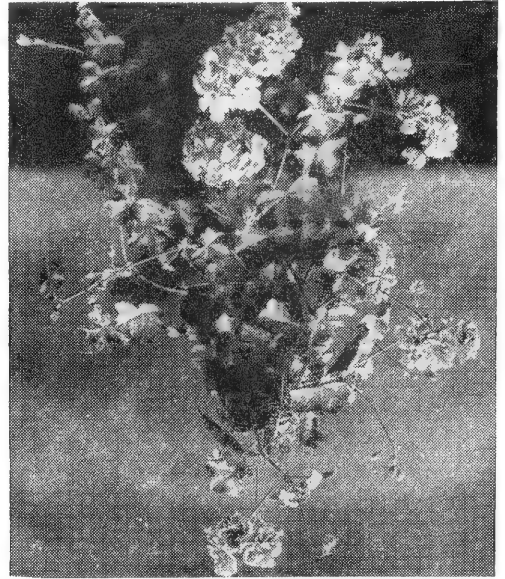
You'll like the Ivy Geranium for a bordering effect, for hanging baskets, urns, porch boxes and many other uses.

**502—Caesar Frank**—Double brilliant rose pink flowers with orange markings. A very popular pink.

**GI-504—Charles Monselet**—Double cerise rose-red. Buds rose-type, large flowers; petals twisted. Medium strong grower.

**GI-505—Charles Turner**—Double, strong rose pink. Large flower, free bloomer. Long, strong growing and well known as the most popular pink Ivy Geranium.

**GI-508—Intensity (syn. Etincelant, Red Majesty)** — Semi-double, brilliant deep orange scarlet. Large flower, free blooming. Long growth. An outstanding bright red Ivy Geranium.



**GI-511—Mrs. Banks**—Semi-double, bluish white, top petals marked light violet. Medium flower, free and continuous bloomer. Long growth. Fine garden variety.

**GI-512—Nutmeg Lavender**—Pleasant nutmeg scent. Beautiful lavender flowers. It's a dandy.

**GI-523—Rober's Lavender**—Double dark orchid flowers almost rosebud type. A free bloomer.

**GI-527—Alliance**—Very large double flowers of lilac white with spots of deep rose. Vigorous compact plant blooms freely.

**30c each; 8 for \$2.00; 50 for \$10.00**

## POT LABELS

Identify your plants on these plain wooden labels. Smooth surface and pointed for ease of writing and sticking in soil.

4 inch—20c per dozen; \$1.00 per 100  
6 inch—25c per dozen; \$1.50 per 100  
10 inch—30c per dozen; \$2.00 per 100

# FANCY LEAF GERANIUMS



**Skies of Italy**



**Mme. Salleroi**



**Distinction**



**Marshall MacMahon**

## Not Available until September 1st

Due to a limited source of supply and the sudden increase in popularity, we will not be able to supply any Fancy Leaf Geraniums until this fall.

# UNUSUAL GERANIUMS



**Scarlet Rosebud**



**Jeanne**



**Dark Beauty**

**GU-401—Magenta Rosebud**—Magenta or dark crimson. Mature flowers hold rosebud form. Strong growing plant.

**GU-402—Knotted Storksbill (*P. gibbosum*)**—greenish yellow flowers on cork-brown stems. Grey-green, brittle foliage.

**GU-405—Jeanne**—Sharply toothed petals of deep salmon. Single; carnation flowered.

**GU-406—Scarlet Rosebud**—Small scarlet flowers of fine substance open more than other rosebuds. Medium sized attractive plant.

**GU-407—Dark Beauty (*P. frutetorum*)**—Single, orange-salmon flowers, very beautiful. Leaves have wide, dark center area. Very useful spreading plant for borders and edges.

**GU-404—Cactus Stemmed Geranium (*P. echinatum*)**—Resembles cactus. Stubby, prickly, grey stems. Small white flowers on slender flowering stems.

**GU-412—Apple Blossom Rosebud**—White with distinct rose-red edging and green center. Mature flowers open nearly full but last a long time. Strong plant flowers well.

**30c each; 8 for \$2.00; 50 for \$10.00**

# How to Grow African Violets

For success and fairly constant bloom on your Saintpaulias, follow this brief but tested program. Really, they're very easily grown!

**Location:** Place in north or east windows during the summer months. They thrive on fresh air and light. Avoid direct sunshine. Shaded porch is ideal.

During the winter months, place in sunny windows, shield your plants from the direct sun rays by your curtains or venetian blinds.

**Watering: Never water with cold water.** Let the water stand until it reaches room temperature. Then water, in a saucer, from the bottom every morning. Take care only to give your violets the amount they will absorb by early afternoon.

**Temperature:** Ideal temperature is that which we prefer, 70 to 72 degrees F. Don't let the night temperature fall below 60 degrees.

If the air is dry, make provisions for humidity. Place water in a container near your heating unit. Both you and your plants will benefit.

**Cleansing:** Give your plants the "weekly Saturday bath." This may be done by spray-

ing foliage with your plant syringe. Be sure the water used is room temperature. If it's much cooler or warmer, leaf spotting and crown-rotting may result.

**Soil:** A good potting mixture contains two parts loam soil and one part each of rotted manure, peat, and sand. Another good mixture is one part garden soil, one part leaf mold; add enough sand to make a loose mixture.

Sterilize your soil and pots before using. Moisten the soil thoroughly. Then bake in your oven at 180 degrees for 30 minutes. Dip the rims of your clean pots  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch deep in melted parafin. This prevents rot due to leaf stems resting on edge of pots.

**Fertilizer:** If a good potting soil is used, little fertilizer will be required. However, your plants need food. We use, and highly recommend **Plant Marvel**.

**Disease and Pest Control:** It's easier to prevent than cure. Spray your plants every month or so with a good deterrent such as Black Leaf 40, N.N.O.R. or Optox. These may be purchased from your local druggist or florist. Use according to directions.

## New Complete Book of **African Violets** by Helen Van Pelt Wilson

B-103

This brand new book is a dandy one on the popular Saintpaulias. Brings you up to date with the latest cultural directions and newest varieties.

Contains 11 chapters—40 pages of drawings with 29 varieties in full color.

You can't fail to have super-beautiful blooming plants if you follow the simple directions. \$2.95.

## Plant Marvel

"FEED AS YOU WATER"

For extra large flowers and luxuriant foliage water your African Violets and other house plants with this easy-to-use, completely soluble fertilizer.

COMPLETE DIRECTIONS AND ALUMINUM  
MEASURING SPOON WITH EACH PACKAGE

PM 101—Trial Size Package (makes 50 quarts) — \$ .35

PM-102— $\frac{1}{2}$  Lb. Can (makes 125 gallons) — .75

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**Sailors' Delight**



**Purity**



**Fantasy**

## NEWEST AND MOST POPULAR VARIETIES

You'll receive large blooming plants grown in 3 inch pots. They're beauties you'll be proud to display.

### DOUBLE VARIETIES

**AV-180—Azure Beauty** — A lovely new Rainbow double! Extra large double flowers variegated blue and white. Bright green ovate leaves. A compact, free-blooming violet. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-181—Delight Rainbow** — New! Extra large double medium blue flowers grown in fine clusters. Large dark green leaves slightly scalloped. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-182—Sea Girl**—New! A dandy double dark purple. Medium sized flowers abundantly produced by the compact girl foliage. Mid-green scalloped leaves have a light spot at their base. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-183—Sailor's Delight**—New! She's a beauty! A profusion of double mid-blue bloom. A compact plant with small dark green foliage. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-117—Double Neptune** — The king of doubles! Beautiful blue-violet flowers with dark leaves. Large, round well-shaped flower opens quickly. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-102—Orchid Sunset**—New! Dark orchid, almost wine colored flowers. Sometimes called Double Red. Round, flat, bright green leaves. A dandy plant. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-213—Double Orchid Girl**—New! Deep dark orchid, extra double, rosette flowers grow in beautiful clusters. Slightly ruffled girl foliage. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-200—Double Orchid Neptune** — New! An orchid sport of Double Neptune, retaining all the fine characteristics of parent plant. Dark green ovate leaf with rosy reverse. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-201—Purity**—New! A free blooming pure white double. Apple green foliage. **\$2.75 each.**

### ALL ABOUT AFRICAN VIOLETS

by **MONTAGUE FREE**, the author of the highly successful book, "All About House Plants."

"All About African Violets" was primarily written for the amateur grower who wants to grow specimen plants. Simple language and many photographs tell you exactly how to do it. **\$3.50.**



# BLOOMING AFRICAN VIOLETS



**Painted Girl**



**Snow Prince**



**Miniature Girl**

## SINGLE VARIETIES

**AV-184—Blue Delight**—New! Truly an exciting new beauty of blue and white. Blue center shades into white then shades again to a blue edge. Mighty gay! Light green foliage. Very free blooming. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-199—Blue Heiress** — New! Extra large glistening blue flowers. Beautiful DuPont girl foliage—round scalloped hairy leaves. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-202—Fantasy**—New and really different! Lavender-pink background of flowers is speckled and splashed with dark blue. Medium sized, mid-green foliage. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-203—Painted Girl** — New! Dainty white flowers of bluish white background with edges of petals outlined wine. Medium sized scalloped girl foliage. **\$2.75 each.**

**AV-204 — Orchid Neptune** — Profusely blooms with large orchid flowers. Beautiful large, dark green, quilted leaves—red underneath. **\$1.75 each.**

**AV-156—Lady Geneva**—The popular new African Violet that's violet blue with the white edge. Patented. **\$1.75 each.**

**AV-195—Purple Girl**—Large dark purple flowers produced very freely on lovely girl foliage; ruffled leaves have spot of white at their base. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-110—Neptune Princess** — Mid - blue flowers. Dark pointed spoon leaf with rose reverse. **\$1.75 each.**

**AV-194—Pink Girl**—Beautiful pure pink flowers with slightly deeper centers. Ruffled apple-green girl leaf. **\$1.75 each.**

**AV-205—Pink Delight**—New! Lovely clear pink flowers with slightly deeper centers. Dark green leaves with red reverse. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-131—Pink Beauty**—The most widely grown true pink Saintpaulia. Flowers are large and held high. Leaves are fairly thin with rosy petioles. Patented. **\$1.25 each.**

**AV-172—Red King**—The best red African Violet to date! Large flowers are wine red growing on a compact plant. Dark tough foliage. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-206—Red Girl**—New! Dark wine colored flowers. A Red King with girl foliage. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-207—Giant Red Bicolor**—New! Extra large flowers with upper petals red-violet—lower petals pale orchid pink. Strong upright grower with large flat leaves. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-208—Velvet Girl** — A new bicolor! Large flowers, upper petals velvety maroon with lower petals lighter. Compact, white centered girl foliage. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-209—Red Mentor Boy**—New! Large dark wine colored flowers have velvet appearance. Profuse blooming; Mentor Boy habit. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-211—Rose Marie**—New! True rose colored flowers blend wonderfully with the large, round, dark green leaves. **\$2.00 each.**

**AV-197—Snow Girl**—New! Large glistening white flowers growing out of compact girl foliage. Light green ruffled leaves with a spot of white at leaf base. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-198—Snow Prince**—New! The best pure white! Large waxy white flowers grow well above the oblong apple green foliage. **\$2.50 each.**

**AV-212—Miniature Girl** — Really cute! Dainty, curly and lacy, girl leaves form a dense dwarf plant. Medium sized flowers in shades of blue and orchid. **\$2.50 each.**

# WILSON BROS. HOUSE PLANTS



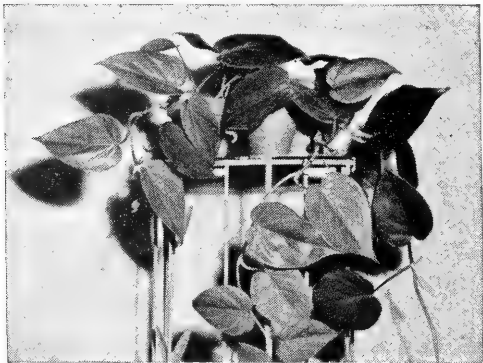
## Variegated Peperomia

(*P. obtusifolia variegata*)

VP-104

Leaves are irregularly marked with equal amounts of cream and light green. Grows better in moist air, but does quite well in open room. Don't put them in direct sunlight.

**30c each; 4 for \$1.00**



## Heart-Leaf Philodendron

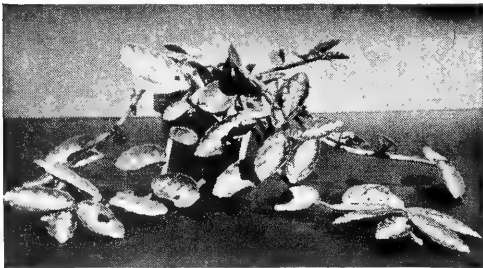
(*Philodendron cordatum*)

PC-105

Most popular house vine. Used extensively for planter lamps, framing arches and windows, etc. Glossy leaves on long graceful vines are easily grown and require little care.

Plants with 5 or more leaves

**30c each; 4 for \$1.00**

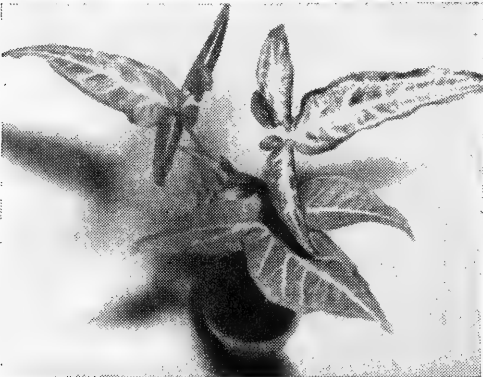


## Pellionia

PE-106

A very unusual, slow growing, self branching plant. Oblong light green leaves, purple underneath, with prominent black nerves. Creeping purple stems.

**25c each; 5 for \$1.00**



## Tri-Leaf Wonder

(*Nephtytis*)

TW-103

Wonderful for height in any planter or just a nice plant to place anywhere in your house.

Really three leaves in one, two small leaves growing at right angles and slightly above the large main leaf. Dark, glossy, green edge that irregularly fades to a light olive in the center of the leaf.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**

# FOR YOUR FAVORITE PLANTERS

## Rabbit Tracks

(Maranta)

RT-326

Many of the oblong, light green leaves are blotched dark brown, resembling the tracks of a rabbit. Also called the "Prayer Plant" for at night it folds together its leaves, like hands in meditating prayer. You'll adore this lovely plant in your favorite planter!

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**



## Rex Begonias

BR-322

The Painted Leaf Begonia. Famous for its large, beautiful leaves of many colors. They have a metallic sheen and exhibit an array of colors in blotches, spots, and borders. Assorted colors only.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00  
25 for \$15.00**

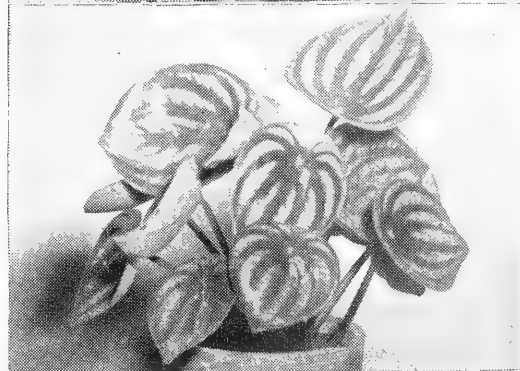


## Watermelon Begonias

BW-321

Large dark green leaves with wide light green stripes. Resembles the striped watermelon. Really looks nice in a planter.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**

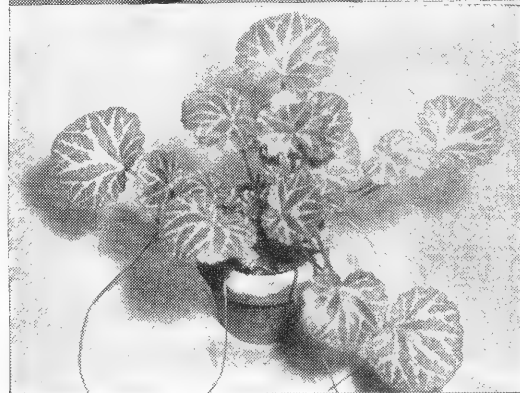


## Strawberry Begonias

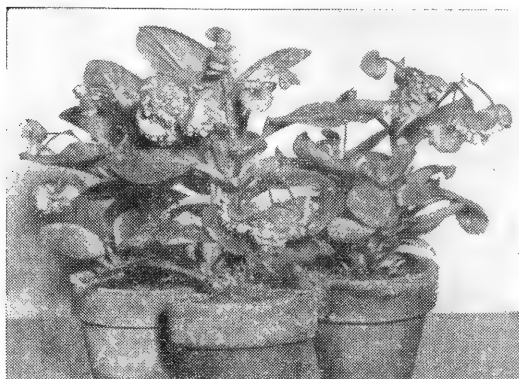
BST-320

Also known as Mother of Thousands or Strawberry Geranium. Produces many runners like the strawberry; each having a plantlet. Leaves are green, veined white above, and reddish below. Has clusters of white, long lasting flowers in the spring. Ideal as edge plant in planters.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**



# WILSON BROS. FOR FINE BEGONIAS



Fibrous rooted varieties. Begin blooming when quite small and produce an abundance of flowers. Always in full bloom. Provide partial shade in midsummer.

## Double Wax Begonias

Truly double. The ball shaped flowers consist of a mass of closely knit petals. Plants are bushy with bright, shiny green leaves.

**BD-301—Geneva Scarlet Beauty** — These deep red flowers will get large if properly fed.

**BD-302—Deep Pink**—Giant pink flowers on large sturdy plant.

**BD-303—Baby Pink** — Small plant with delicate pink flowers.

**BD-304—Geneva White**—Pure white flowers produced by small compact plants.

**BD-305—Snowblush**—You'll love this delicate blush-pink flower.

**60c each; 2 for \$1.00  
12 for \$5.00**

## Single Wax Begonias

The Everlasting Begonia found in so many homes. Large blooming plants grown in 3 inch pots.

**BS-310—Adeline** — Extra free flowering, bright pink, grown by a dwarf, compact plant.

**BS-311—Ball Deep Rose**—This variety is rich, rosy red in winter and spring but becomes lighter in summer. Dwarf and compact.

**BS-312—Ball Red**—A dwarf compact plant that produces bright scarlet flowers.

**BS-313—Indian Maid**—Taller than other varieties. Deep lustrous bronze foliage with contrasting red flowers.

**BS-314—Snowbank**—Free blooming white flowers produced by a dwarf compact plant.

**BS-315 — Luminosa Compacta** — Extra dwarf plant growing many scarlet red, free blooming flowers.

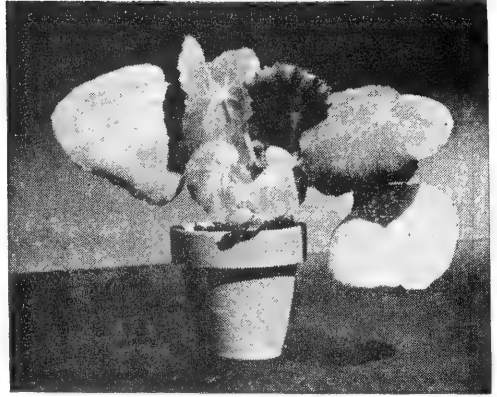
**35c each; 6 for \$2.00  
25 for \$7.00**

## Beefsteak Begonias

BB-325

Thick round leaves are dark green on top; veined red underneath resembling a rare steak. Beautiful light pink flowers are grown high above the foliage.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**



## Lettuce Leaf Begonias

BL-326

Light green ruffled and crinkled leaves form a dense mound that looks good enough to eat. Small pink flowers above foliage.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**



## Velvet Plant

(*Gynura aurantiaca*)

VL-351

The leaves are densely covered with violet or purple hairs, giving it a remarkable velvety appearance. Grows very well in a sunny window indoors or outside if protected from the hot summer sun.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**



## Piggy-Back Plant

PB-102

Small plants develop on the leaves at the tip of the petioles. These little plants will root while on parent plant by allowing leaf to rest on moist ground. Very attractive foliage.

**30c each; 6 for \$1.50**



# IVIES FOR YOUR HOME



**Jubilee**



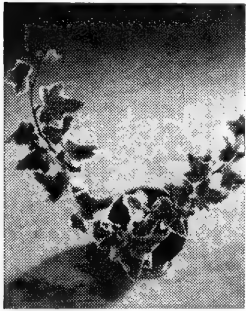
**Gold Dust**



**Fan**



**Hahn's**



**Glacier**



**Variegated English**



**Grape**



**Emerald Jewel**

## Jubilee Ivy

IV-201

You'll love this new dwarf Ivy! A self-branching Ivy with closely set, tiny light green leaves having wide white bands on the margins.

**50c each; 5 for \$2.00**

## Gold Dust Ivy

IV-203

Also different! Dark green leaves with small yellow spots. Has appearance of gold dust sprinkled on the leaves.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**

## Fan Ivy

IV-204

Dark green leaves, shaped and veined like the palm fan. Free vining.

**30c each; 4 for \$1.00**

## Hahn's Ivy

IV-207

The popular home Ivy of many uses. Has an abundance of glossy green leaves.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Glacier Ivy

IV-202

It's different! Has small leaves of light green in center with wide white band around margins.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**

## English Ivy

**VARIEGATED**

IV-205

An attention getter! Huge leaves with light green centers surrounded by an attractive wide band of cream.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**

## Grape Ivy

IV-206

Thrives on neglect! The toughest vine for home use. Leaf consists of 3 toothed and pointed leaflets. Fast growing climber or drooper.

**25c each; 5 for \$1.00**

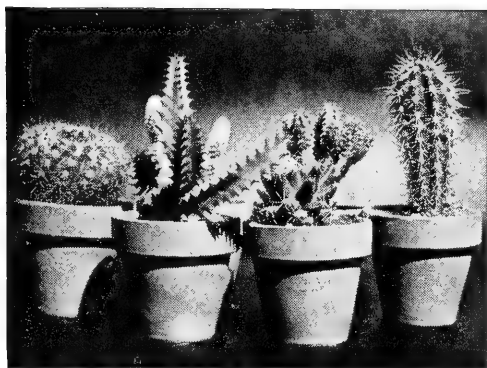
## Emerald Jewel

IV-208

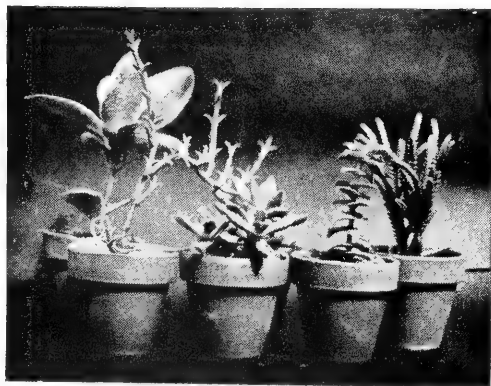
Greenest and laciest of the Ivies. Beautiful!

**50c each; 5 for \$2.00**

## Cacti



## Succulents



You'll enjoy making a desert scene in your favorite planter. Colored sand and a little artistic arrangement of these plants will work wonders.

**CI-340—Devil's Delight** — An interesting group of 12 Cacti, all different in size, shape and form. \$2.50.

**CS-342—Desert Fantasy**—A selection of 6 Cacti and 6 Succulents to give the best effect. \$2.25.

**SU-341—Western Wonder**—A group of 12 Succulents, all different. \$2.00.

**CI-343—Cacti**—25c each.

**SU-344—Succulents** 20c each.

## Devil's Ivy

(*Pothos Aureus*)

**DI-101**

Sometimes called the variegated Philodendron. Leaves are irregularly blotched with cream or yellow. To deepen variegation, give plant 3 or 4 hours of sunshine daily.

**40c each; 6 for \$2.00**



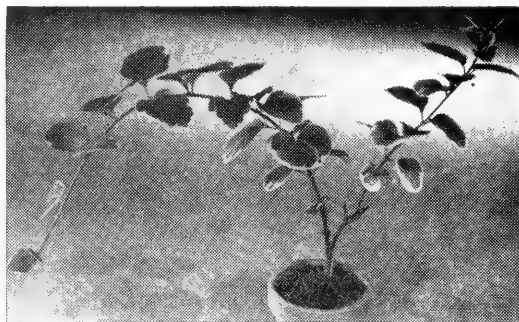
## Vinca Vines

**V-325** (*Vinca variegata*)

These green and white vines are the universal favorites for urns, boxes and baskets. Leaves are round, light green in center with cream colored margins. Several vines will lead from the same plant; if covered with dirt and watered, roots will form and you'll have another plant.

Vines will survive freezing weather and in protected area even live all winter.

**25c each; 5 for \$1.00**  
**50 for \$8.00**



# WILSON BROS. COLORFUL COLEUS



Add beauty to your flower beds, urns, porch and window boxes with these bright colored "foliage plants." We grow only the most popular and best colored varieties. Representative assortment pictured above.

**C-101— 20c each; 8 for \$1.50 (all different)**

**CR-102—Rainbow Mixture**—A mixture of the larger leaved varieties. Beautifully marked and variegated in many shades of color with red, green and yellow predominating.

**20c each; 8 for \$1.50**

## Lantana

A popular plant for flower beds, urns and porch boxes because it's constantly in bloom. Flowers become deeper with age and do best in full sunlight.

**LT-390—Weeping**—Different from other varieties because of its long slender trailing branches, freely growing beautiful lavender flowers. Excellent for hanging baskets, porch boxes and urns. Start it early and it will make a wonderful ground cover.

**LT-391—Radiation**—Blooms a light orange but flowers become a fiery orange with age. Most popular of standard varieties.

**LT-392—Sensation** — Flowers are cream colored when first opened but shortly after opening turn lavender or pink.

**LT-393—Southern**—Large cream colored flowers that deepen with age. Low-growing plant.

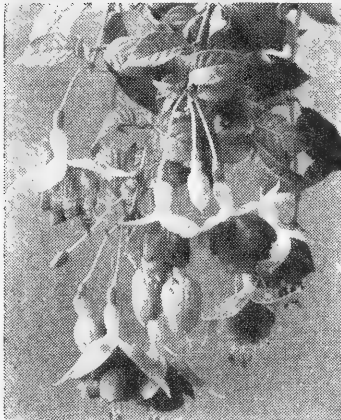
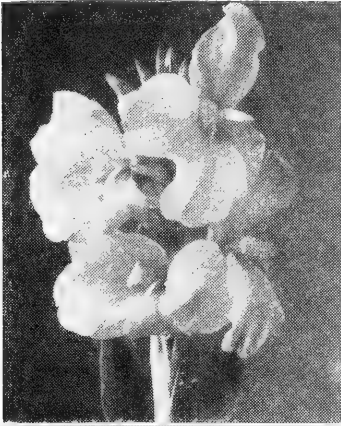
**LT-394—Golden King**—Bright golden yellow.

**LT-395—Alba Perfecta**—Pure white.



**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**





## Canna

A very showy plant of enormous flower heads and large tropical foliage. Wonderful for flower beds. Dwarf varieties grow to a height of 2 feet; medium about 3 feet and tall varieties approximately 4 feet.

**CN-360—Red King Humbert**—Bright red flowers, dark bronzy-red foliage. Tall.

**CN-361—Yellow King Humbert**—Large yellow flower variegated with red spots. Green foliage. Medium.

**CN362—President**—Extremely large bright red flowers. Very dwarf plant with glossy green foliage.

**CN-363—City of Portland**—Large beautiful rosy-pink flowers. Medium height, green foliage.

**CN-364—Rosemond Cole**—Extra large red flower with gold edge. Dwarf green foliage plant.

**CN-365—King Midas**—Beautiful yellow flower with red dots. Dwarf. Green foliage.

**CN-366—Wyoming**—Large dark orange. Orchid flowering. Medium growth with bronze foliage.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Periwinkle

(*Vinca rosea*)

One of the most satisfactory outdoor bedding plants we have. Will stand exceptional amounts of hot dry weather—seldom troubled with disease and insects. Lovely flowers are grown all summer on erect bushy plants having glossy dark green leaves.

**PK-370—Bright Eyes**—White flowers with rose colored eyes.

**PK-371—Willie Winkle**—Bright rose flowers.

**PK-372—Twinkles**—Soft, blush pink with a bright red eye.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Fuchsia

(*Ladies' Ear-Drop*)

The pendulous bell-shaped flowers of the Fuchsia have a beauty not found in other plants. Blooms well during spring and summer in a shady location.

**F-330—Double Purple**—Medium dwarf. Red flowers with deep purple semi-double petals in center. **25c each; 12 for \$2.50.**

**F-331—Double White**—Low growing plant with huge flowers. Double white center with red outer edge. **25c each; 12 for \$2.50.**

**F-334—Bagdad**—Blue center; red outer edge. **25c each; 12 for \$2.50.**

**F-335—Lord Byron**—Purple center with red outer edge. **35c each; 3 for \$1.00.**

**F-332—Double Pink**—Large flowers having double pink centers with red outer edge. **35c each; 3 for \$1.00.**

**F-336—Little Beauty**—Purple centers with deep pink sepals. Dwarf plant. **35c each; 3 for \$1.00.**

## Patience Plant

You may know the Patience Plant as the Daily Bloomer because of its year-round free blooming habit. Also often called by its specific name, Sultani. Grows best in partial shade.

**PP-380—Sultani Hybrids**—Mixed colors of choice imported strains.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

# WILSON BROTHERS

## Canterbury Bells

CB-405 (Campanula)

We all love the Canterbury Bell plant that grows to a height of 2½ feet and has 6 to 8 spikes covered with beautiful bell-shaped blooms in shades of lavender, blue, rose, pink and white. Annual.

20c each; 12 for \$2.00

## Ageratum

The Ageratum thrives in any garden soil and produces many flowers all summer. Quite dwarf. Used extensively for border and edgings.

AG-401—Midget Blue—Miniature clear blue flowers growing on dense small leaved plants, 4 to 6 inches tall.

AG-402—Fairy Pink—Light pink shades produced on a plant growing 19 to 12 inches high.

20c each; 12 for \$2.00

## Asters

AS-410—Princess—A wilt resistant strain that produces flowers 3 to 3½ inches across. Branching plants grow to 2½ feet. Mixed colors from white through red and purple. Excellent all purpose asters for your garden.

20c each; 12 for \$2.00

## Nierembergia

(Blue Cup Flower)

NI-411—Purple Robe—An All American Bronze Medal Winner. A really first class bedding or edging plant. The 1 inch, rich bluish-lilac flowers are lavishly produced on dwarf plants throughout the summer. Retains its brilliance under strong sunlight without fading.

20c each; 12 for \$2.00

## Verbena

Colorful dwarf plants, popular for margins, porch boxes, ground cover, rock gardens and as cut flowers.

A very versatile plant that will grow in poor soil, withstand drought and yet produce a large number of bright colored flowers from early summer to late fall.

VB-406—Hybrida Grandiflora — Mixed colors ranging from white with red eye to red with white eye and on through blue and lavender shades. Very colorful!

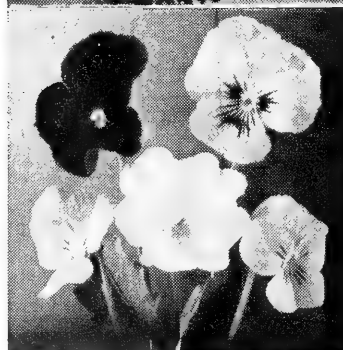
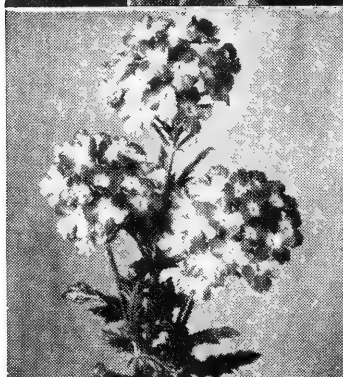
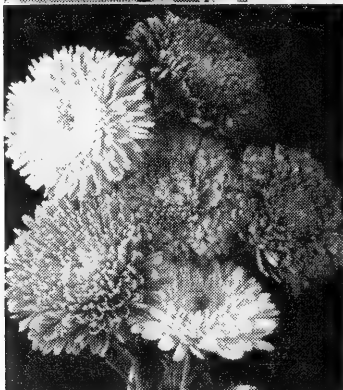
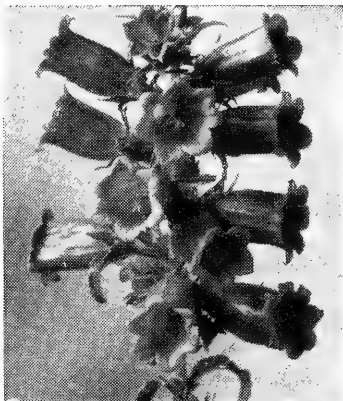
20c each; 12 for \$2.00

VI-412

## Viola

Smaller than the Pansy but they bloom more freely and over a longer period. The Viola blooms all summer if watered and old blooms are picked. We offer a special mixture containing bright shades of red, yellow, blue and apricot combined with many blotched shades.

20c each; 12 for \$2.00



# BETTER BEDDING PLANTS



## Delphinium

DE-435

PACIFIC GIANTS

Remarkable new strain! Fully double flowers  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter well spaced on strong stems. Pacific Giants are mildew resistant and are a valuable perennial for cutting. We offer mixed colors ranging from pure white, through pink, blue, lavender and to deep mid-night violet.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Hardy Carnations

You'll love the delightful spicy fragrance of the Hardy Carnations. They're ideal for cutting as well as plants for beds, borders, rock gardens or pots. With proper care they may be cut back, lifted and potted for indoor flowering. Our improved varieties will bloom this year if planted early.

**HC-451—King of Blacks** — Darkest red flower of all varieties.

**HC-452—Golden Sun**—Large clear yellow flowers. Early flowering; very double.

**HC-453—Pink**—Lovely rose.

**HC-454—Red**—Bright scarlet.

**HC-455—White**—Pure white.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**



## Salvia

A popular brilliant plant for beds, tall borders and edging. Frequently used to give height to low growing evergreens.

**SA-441—Splendens Tall** — The tallest (30 inches) and latest bloomer. This is the old fashioned tall variety with bright scarlet spikes.

**SA-442—Blaze of Fire**—The earliest of all Salvia. Massive orange-scarlet spikes bloom above dark green foliage. Dwarf plant about 12 inches tall.

**SA-443—America or Globe of Fire**—Round bushy plant of scarlet flowers.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall. Popular.

**BLUE SALVIA**

**SA-444 (Farinacea Blue Bedder)**

Blooms all summer and fall. 30 inch plant produces deep, Wedgwood blue flowers.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Shasta Daisy

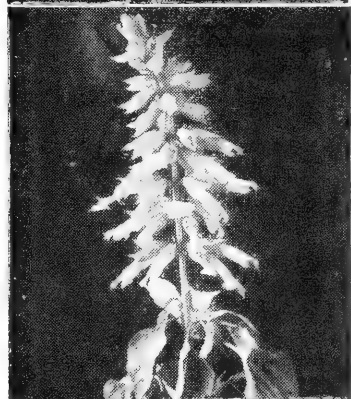
(Perennial)

Popular plants, 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall, used extensively as perennial borders. Very hardy and easily grown. Beautiful flowers have many decorative uses around the home.

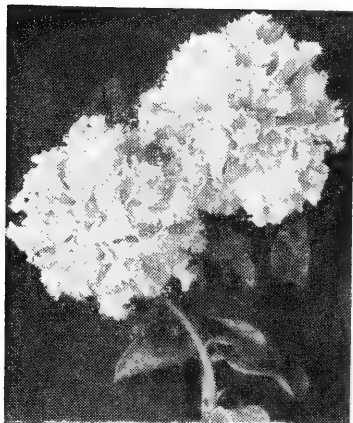
**SD-461—Alaska** — Most popular Shasta Daisy. Large, single flowers in late June and July.

**SD-462—Double**—A Diener strain, highly selected similar to the standard variety above in color and height. Has beautiful double rows of petals.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**



# POPULAR PETUNIAS



Canadian All Double



Fire Chief



Giants of California

**P-474—"Gaiety"**—An exceptionally fine new double Petunia with medium large well-doubled and fringed flowers. A beautiful variegation of bright rose-pink and white gives a "Strawberries in Cream" effect. Dwarf, base branching plant.  
35c each; 3 for \$1.00

**P-475—Canadian All Double**—Mixture of the best strains of All Double Petunias containing the following colors: rose, pink, salmon, white, and mauve. Nicely ruffled, growing over 4 inches in diameter. A vigorous plant, dwarf and free branching.

25c each; 10 for \$2.00

## Hybrid Petunias

**P-473—Ballerina**—A new All-America Selection! Extra large frilled flowers of clear, intense salmon that hold up well under summer sun. Free branching and profuse blooming.

**P-476—Silver Medal**—All American Silver Medal Winner. Low, bushy plants grow 1 foot tall and spread 18 to 20 inches. Covered with bloom from early summer until frost with flowers 3 inches across. First opens a

25c each; 10 for \$2.00

## Bedding Petunias

**P-481—Admiral**—Large clear blue, attractively ruffled flowers. Our best blue.

**P-482—Blue Bedder**—Mild blue flowers; a bed of these resembles a clear summer sky.

**P-483—Fire Chief** — All American Gold Medal Winner. Newly opened flowers are a true scarlet-red, turning to deep salmon-rose with age. Plants are dwarf and compact, about 12 to 15 inches high. Yields a

20c each; 12 for \$2.00

## Fancy Petunias

**P-478—Theodosia** — Extra large, heavily fringed flowers of brilliant rose with contrasting golden yellow throat. Plant 12 to 16 inches tall.

**P-479—Giants of California**—Very vigorous plants ideally suited for bedding. The colors range from velvety crimson to a delicate pink. The artistically veined, deeply ruffled flowers grow as large as 7 inches across.

salmon cerise with orange undertone, then gradually changes to rich salmon.

**P-477—Pink Sensation** — All American Bronze Medal Winner. Vigorous plants 2 feet tall, 4 feet in width and covered with flowers 3 inches across. Rose pink with deeper veining extending out toward the edge which is fringed with brown. Its metallic luster adds life and sparkle.

wealth of bloom throughout the driest hottest weather. Beautiful in mass planting!

**P-484—Rosy Morn**—Delicate rose flowers with white throat. Grown by a strong dwarf plant.

**P-485—Topaz Queen**—Scarlet rose with orange scarlet overtone. Large flowers freely produced. Our favorite pink.

**P-486—Velvet Ball** — Velvety blood red. Free-flowering, vigorous growing with heavy foliage.

# SHOWY SNAPDRAGONS

## Tetra Snapdragons

The huge ruffled Snaps—called tetraploids. Hence tetra for short. This variety differs from the others; they're stronger, larger, ruffled flowers; foliage and stems are thick and sturdy.

**SN-420—Superfine Mixture**—A beautiful mixture of colors of the Tetra Snaps, ranging through shades of red, orange, yellow and on to pure white.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Double Snapdragons

**SN-422—Burpee** — Deep yellow golden flowers with the center spike growing 28 inches tall; individual blossoms large and double. Unsurpassed for cutting.

**30c each; 6 for \$1.50**

## Garden Snapdragons

**SN-423—Rust Resistant**—Base branching plants, each producing 8 to 18 spikes covered with large flowers. Excellent for garden display and cutting. Mixed varieties of the best colors.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Oriental Poppies

OP-431

Have enormous brilliantly colored flowers in May and June. These Oriental Poppies grow to a height of 3 feet and are excellent for cutting. For longer life, cut flowers in early morning and burn stem ends within 5 minutes. Best to grow plants in sheltered area out of the wind. A hardy perennial. Mixed colors ranging from light salmon shades to dark or blood red.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**



## Giant Snapdragons

**SN-421—Skyscraper** — The tallest of all Snaps. Central spike grows over 3 feet tall with over half its height covered with flowers. Colors in the softer shades of yellow, lavender, and pink.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Wishbone Flower

**WB-350 (Torenia fournieri)**

So named because stamens of flower form a perfect wishbone.

Bushy plants covered with bloom all summer long. Flowers are light blue, blotched with deeper blue and have a golden touch on their lips. Grows best in semi-shade. Good for beds, borders, pots and window boxes.

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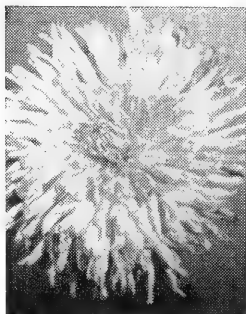
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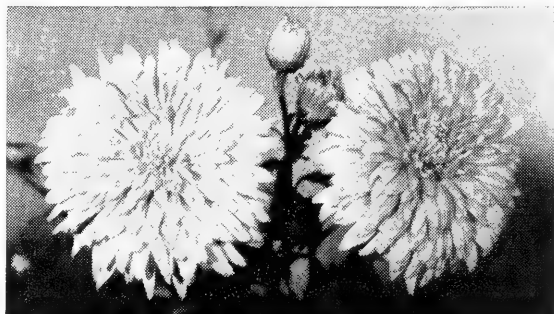
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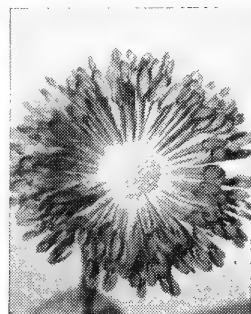
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**Lee Powell**



**Holiday**



**Garnet Spoon**

Sure to bloom Mums. We offer only the varieties proven to grow better under normal conditions.

The Chrysanthemum grows best in a slightly acid, well-drained soil. In average garden soil, a good complete fertilizer should be used once a month during June, July and August, three to four pounds per 100 square feet. The sturdy potted plants we ship you will bloom this fall when many of your other garden flowers have lost their bloom. You'll appreciate them for bouquets and baskets.

(D) Double;                      (SD) Semi-double;                      (S) Single

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## RED SHADES

**CM-501—Fire Engine (S)**—New for 1952! Lustrous dark cardinal red with bright orange reverse. Tall and showy. October 1. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-502—Rosedust (D)**—New this year! Immense bright cherry red. Bushy growth excellent for cutting. September 24. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-503—Garnet Spoon (SD)**—Best spoon in '51. Purple tubes with excellent red spoons accented by a bright yellow center. October 4. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-504—Rouge Cushion (SD)**—A beautiful brilliant bright red. A fine early cushion Mum. September 20. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-505—Quilled Cushion (D)**—A Cactus Dahlia flowered type cushion. Oriental red ages to bright bronze. September 30. **50c each; 5 for \$2.00.**

**CM-506—Courageous (D)**—Shining dark ruby red. Magnificent plant good for cut flowers. September 27. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-507—Champion Cushion (D)**—Deep rosy-red cushion. Strong plant. September 28. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-508—Red Velvet (D)**—The best of all velvety crimson Mums. October 2. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

## YELLOWS

**CM-523—Pumpkin Spoon (S)**—New for 1952! Opens persimmon orange and ages to stafford yellow. A new unique color in Mums. September 30. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-524—Ruthann Lehman (D)**—Immense canary yellow. Slightly cushion habit. September 12. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

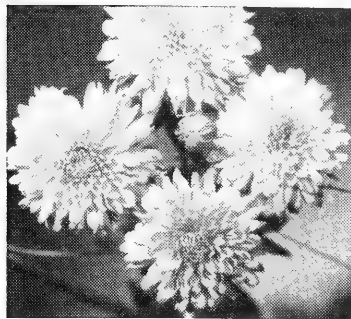
**CM-525—Aztec Gold (D)**—New in '51. Large, frost resistant, clear lemon yellow flowers. Makes a fine border plant. Ideal for cutting or pot plant. It's a dandy new yellow. October 1. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-526—Lee Powell (D)**—New last year. Large, impressive flowers of Chinese yellow that deepen to orange yellow at the center. A beautiful free-flowering Mum. September 23. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

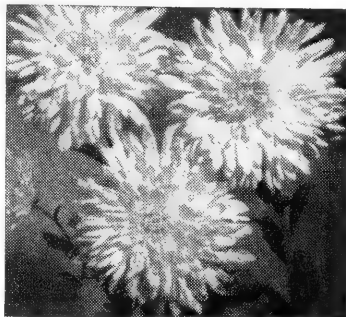
**CM-527—Ming (D)**—Also new last year. Clear Chinese yellow deepening to tangerine orange. Firm textured flower; good for cutting. September 18. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-528—Golden Carpet (D)**—Makes a golden-yellow carpet of ball shaped pompons. Grows under 1 foot tall. September 15. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

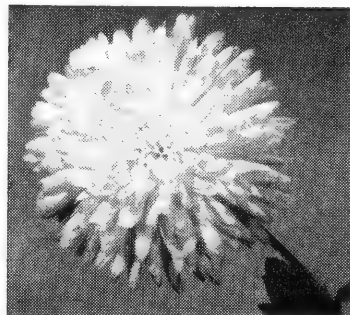
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**Ming**



**Yellow Avalanche**



**Ruthann Lehman**

## YELLOWS (continued)

**CM-529—Golden Mound (D)**—Excellent golden-yellow cushion. Best for borders. September 1. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-530—Charles Nye (D)**—Large 3 inch rich butter-cup yellow flowers, well rounded. September 24. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-531—Yellow Avalanche (D)**—A large, brilliant yellow Mum. Unexcelled for cutting and unsurpassed in beauty. September 4. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-532—Yellow Blanket (D)**—Very free-flowering button. Clear yellow flowers, tops for cutting. October 10. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-533—Yellow Cushion (D)** — An improved variety with hundreds of bright yellow flowers on mound-like plants. October 8. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

## PINK VARIETIES

**CM-510—Patricia Lehman (D)**—Sparkling geranium pink blooms with peach centers; recurved and twisted petals give a fluffy feathery appearance. It's a strong upright mum, excellent for cutting. September 28. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-511—Pink Opal (D)**—Pale Persian-rose overlaid with cream and pale green tints toward center of flowers. Very distinct! September 28. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-Chorale (D)** — New in '51. Light phlox-pink fades to near white at center. Complete flower ages to a pure chalk-white. Very prolific with long blooming season. September 22. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-513—Malinda Brown (D)**—New for '52! Free flowering incurved lavender-rose. Extra strong growth with sturdy flower. September 29. **50c each; 5 for \$2.00.**

**CM-514—Dr. L. E. Longley (D)**—A very early bright rose-pink. New in 1949 and proved itself a dandy. August 20. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-515—Variegated Cushion (D)**—Light lavender-pink with deep rose-red center. September 30. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-516—Fuchsia Spoon (S)**—A bold, 3½ inch spoon of sparkling fuchsia rose. Sturdy, free-flowering plant. October 2. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-517—Allegro (D)**—A glowing shrimp-pink Mum with coppery salmon sheen. October 7. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-518—Autumn Song (D)**—Large flowers with wine-rose shading to carmine. Entirely new color in Mums. September 12. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-519—Betty (SD)** — Splendid upright rose-pink without a trace of magenta. One of the finest new pinks. September 28. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-520—Gladness (D)**—Clear china rose flowers on a small, very free-blooming plant. One of your earliest bloomers. August 28. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-521—Mrs. P. S. DuPont (D)**—Peach-pink tinted with rosy salmon bronze. Among the best. October 5. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-522—Major Cushion (D)**—Makes an excellent mound of pink. September 25. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

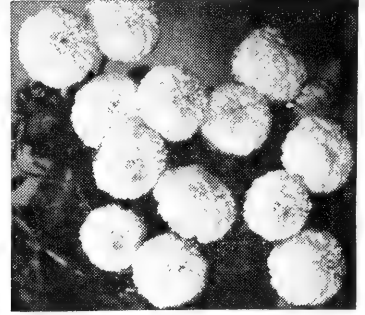
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**Kathleen Lehman**



**Shalimar**



**Yellow Blanket**

## BRONZE SHADES

**CM-534—Holiday (D)**—Brilliant golden-bronze with domed center. Flowers 4 inches in diameter. Perfect plant habit and ideal for cutting. September 25. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**CM-535 — Beacon (D)** — Coral-apricot shades to nasturtium orange at center. Giant flowers four inches across. October 8. **60c each; 4 for \$2.00.**

**CM-536—Carnival (D)**—A large gleaming burnt-orange Mum. Excellent plant habit. October 10. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-537—Kathleen Lehman (D)**—Ranks with the best. Brightest orange-gold deep-

ening to red gold at the center. Outstandingly good. September 28. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-538—Golden Sunset (D)**—Very large highly burnished copper flowers with a ruby center. September 28. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-539—Bronze Cushion (D)**—Opens a coppery bronze and ages to bright bronze. September 28. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-540—Inspiration (D)** — Rich orange-bronze flowers overlaid with apricot-orange. Good for cutting. October 1. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

## WHITES

**CM-541—Blushwhite (S)** — New 1952! Large chalk-white flowers underlaid with soft lavender. Tubes and spoons about equal in length. Never a misformed flower. October 7. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**CM-542—Shalimar (D)** — A fast-colored cream-white Mum with a sulphur-yellow center. September 24. **50c each; 5 for \$2.00.**

**CM-543—White Tower (D)**—Free flowering. Creamy white pompon opening to pure

white. Tall, sturdy plant. September 20. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

**CM-545—Winterset (D)** — Large pure white Mums with petals crisp and shiny. Sturdy plant. October 2. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

**CM-546—Chris Columbus (D)**—A strong growing ivory-white. September 28. **30c each; 8 for \$2.00.**

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**CM-547—Royal Robe (D)** — Beet-root purple with a bluish sheen. Blooms in a well distributed mass. A superb introduction. September 15. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

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**CM-549—Myrtle Walgreen (D)** — Rich amaranth-purple underlaid with silvery-lilac, aging to clear mallow purple. September 28. **40c each; 6 for \$2.00.**

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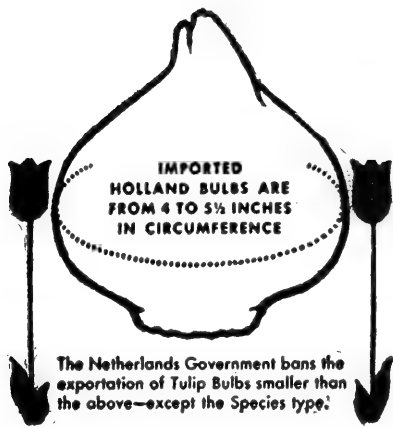
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**TB-802—Praestens Fuselier** — Long brilliant vermilion orange flowers, 3 to 5 per stem. Blooms in late April and grows to 14 inches tall.

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## Parrot Tulips

These belong to the late flowering class and because of their peculiar markings and shadings are very much in demand. The petals have feathered edges. Shades of green are combined with other colors to give you a good show.

**TB-630—Fantasy**—Most popular and beloved of all the Parrots. Huge salmon pink flowers, 6 or more inches across, with green markings.

**TB-631—Firebird**—A sport of Fantasy. Has all the good qualities of this popular variety but is an intense vermilion-red with green markings on the outside.

**TB-632—Blue Parrot**—Very large, dark violet-blue flowers. Outside of fringed petals shade to silver. Fine for bedding and cutting.

**TB-633—Orange Favorite** — Glistening deep orange, shaded rose; inside deep orange-scarlet with yellow base. Sweet scented flowers of great size and brilliant coloring.

**TB-634—Red Champion**—Bright crimson shaded rosy red. Large white base, edged blue.

**TB-635—Sunshine**—Bright golden yellow. Outside petals sometimes marked green.

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These are the gorgeous Double Late Tulips that resemble Peonies in size and form. Especially attractive when planted in groups in your mixed perennial borders.

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**TB-653—Pride of Zwanenburg**—The large cup is soft pink with salmon color shadings

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**TB-655—The Bishop**—Deep violet-blue inside and out with white halo at base. Flowers of fine form.

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**TB-663—Philip Snowden**—Light carmine rose. (Darwin)

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**TB-671—Princess Margaret Rose**—Yellow with red flames (Darwin)

**TB-672—New Orleans**—Wide cup shaped flowers of stunning rich purple. (Darwin)

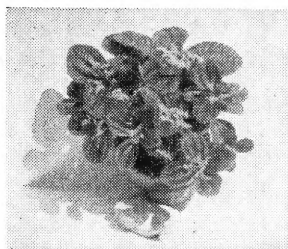
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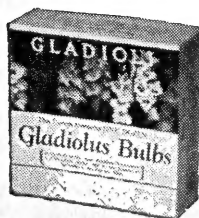
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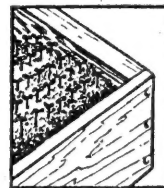
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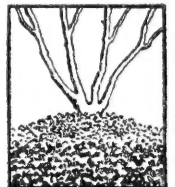
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