

### Potted Plant Is Popular Gift

The poinsettia is the traditional Christmas plant, yet an upsurge in the popularity of indoor gardening has brought a number of flowering plants into the gift picture. Flowering plants in porous clay pots that preserve their health and beauty will highlight many a gift list this season.

Among the popular pot plants is the Jerusalem cherry. Its round, red fruit is especially appropriate for the holiday season. It needs bright light and likes a cool

temperature no higher than 55 degrees at night for best results, although it does admirably even with a 65 degree night temperature. If the plant is allowed to wilt or droop, the crown should be kept moist, thus inviting Azaleas are popular. There are both tender kinds that must be brought indoors each winter, and hard kinds that can be plunged—in the garden permanently or in the pot and outdoors in the fall and winter. Tender kinds are like nandina and camellias. The hardy ones branch out closer to the ground like shrubs. Your nursery, garden center, or florist can tell you whether the one you select is hardy or not.

Cyclamen  
The cyclamen is a handsome plant even when not in bloom, but the blossoms are iridescent, taking on a blue, purple or pinkish glass quality formed in the shape of butterflylike flowers that are white, red, pink

lavender, rose, maroon. This needs a cool 55 degree temperature too. Water is safer from the base of the plant pot so the crown is not over-moistened, thus inviting rot.

**Lasting Beauty**  
Primroses have blossoms that look like pastel Christmas candles. Select plants with lots of buds so you will have profusion of bloom over many weeks. New watered plants will continue to develop and bud regularly and temperature in the room is below 65 degrees at night. The Christmas poppy is handled much the same as the Jerusalem cherry, among smaller plants, ranunculus and African violets are top for Christmas. A white flowering African violet in a red clay pot, dressed up with a bright red bow seems ideally suited for Christmas. And the bilanace's brilliant orange-red blossoms resemble like tree lights. Both plants are good long-term investments for any gardener.

**Indians Had Many Uses For Red Cranberry**  
Cranberries, a traditional part of our Christmas menus, were used in many ways by the American Indians. Pemican was a paste made from cranberries. Cranberry positions were applied to cuts and wounds, and the juice of the berry yielded a red dye.

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**The CHRISTMAS Spirit...**  
**Green & Miller Service Station**

**Merry, Merry Christmas**  
**Small's Greenhouses**

**NEW JOY TO YOUR HEARTS**  
You can bring happiness to Christmas to the children in hospitals, orphanages, and to the families of the unemployed by refurbishing their toys your own children have outgrown or no longer enjoy. In many communities, civic and fraternal groups have organized programs for this purpose.

The easiest way to make old toys in basically good condition look like new again is with colorful plastic enamels, and here are some tips to help you do the job.

First and most important of all be sure you use only suitable enamel, particularly those that contain less than 1 percent of lead. While most enamels meant for interior use contain no harmful ingredients, be sure to tell your paint dealer that you will be painting toys. He will sell you the right product. Under no circumstances use outside paint on toys or children's furniture.

**Kids Like Color**  
Bear in mind that children prefer strong, bold colors, the primaries; red, yellow and blue, but high secondaries; orange, green, purple. It takes a more sophisticated taste to enjoy pastel and less lively darker shades. They also like the shine of gloss enamel.

Wash the toy with detergent to remove shooting and greasy soil. If old finish is glossy, it should be sanded with sandpaper to a new finish, will adhere better. Lay cards or holes should be filled with water putty or plastic wood which should be permitted to dry before sanding smooth.

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**Cars Collide In Accidents**  
Police Chief Eugene Kelly reports a collision between the automobile operated by Albert Hamilton, Route 2, and Robert N. Taylor, McOlivet, Route 2, on Dec. 24, at 8:30 p.m. The accident occurred on Walnut Street as one car pulled from a parking lot into the street.

Extensive damage was done to the Taylor car, which was minor to the Hamilton vehicle, Kelly stated.

On Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 8:10 a.m. a car driven by Calvin Denton, 103 Walnut Street, collided with the automobile of Mervyn C. Price, 113 North Street, at the Denton's home. An attempt to cross Main at Walnut Street.

Damage to the Price car was extensive and repair to the Denton's car.

**FINER \$10, CUSTS**  
Alan Mitchell Jr. was arrested by Police Officer Kelly on Saturday, Dec. 2, on a charge of reckless driving. He was fined \$10 and costs.

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**Impact Of Economic Fundamentals Greater Than Campaign Promises**  
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But we must not forget that Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt promised to keep America out of "foreign wars." And already the British financial crisis has forced the Federal Reserve to raise its discount rate to 4 1/2%—despite President Johnson's dislike of higher interest rates. Therefore, as we look forward to the Kennedy-Johnson summit talk about Berlin in 1965, we must realize that China's course of action becomes clearer.

4. Red China made the biggest news in 1964 by exploding a nuclear bomb. It will have a greater impact on what is to unfold than will the campaign promises of successful candidates.

5. The Russian people want to live in peace and prosperity, not in the "peace and prosperity" that President Johnson promised our citizens.

6. Russia's satellites in 1965. They will try to make a deal with the new Moscow administration which will involve more trade and prosperity and less politics. Following Khrushchev's fall, the satellite will aim for more consumer goods for their people rather than for more personal freedom.

7. Russia will not bring the Berlin issue to a crisis in 1965. The Kennedy-Johnson summit talk about Berlin in 1965 and toward more "neutralization" of Vietnam some time during 1965 and move toward "alliance with the United States."

8. Conditions in Cuba are radicalizing rapidly in 1965.

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1. An still emotionally upset as I take this record, the brutal assassination of President Kennedy. "No depression in sight, a bright 1964," Roger Babson predicts. "If raters choose Dr. and Mrs. Emery Clark at Flemingsburg, Blue Jackets at Straight Gate Dec. 24, Local and County Masons elect officers."—Wool deadline noted.

JAN. 9. City council votes to end free labor practice at Monday evening's meet.—Carlisle Rotary Club donates \$200 to the "Rehabilitation Foundation" of W. Clay named director of the Kentucky Seed Improvement Association. Fire destroys barn and tobacco on Cecil McCarty farm on Pennington Ridge Road.

JAN. 16. Snow blankets county, temperature skids to 14 degrees below.—Powell Neal, C. H. Enis, Bob Boothe, James Williams and William Power, charged with seven counts of forging and publishing postal money orders, U.S. District Court in Lexington.—Mayor Bill Fowler names commissioner. Double barn burns on farm of Warner Love on Pleasant Springs Pike.—The Rev. G. S. Gardner undergoes major surgery.

Family Files As Home Burns  
A tobacco farmer, his wife and five children were routed from their home Saturday when a fire started in the kitchen and destroyed a living room. Carlisle Police Chief Kelly said that the blaze may have been caused by defective electrical wiring although no official investigation has been made. It is reported that in the past 10 days five fires leveled and only a television, a couch and a chair were saved from the blaze.

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**Investments**, however, should be well diversified and limited to amounts you would be prepared to lose.

13. Cash dividend payments should increase in 1965... although at a much slower rate than has been the case this year.

14. No assessment of finances in the United States can be made without carefully weighing Britain's plight. We are convinced that unless the Labor Government adopts strict austerity measures, the pound will fall before the end of 1965.

15. Until the fate of the pound is resolved, alternative interest rates must be kept high to prevent foreigners from withdrawing their deposits here. Also, domestic demand for credits promises to remain strong. Hence, interest rates will edge upward in 1965.

16. There may be some erosion in bond prices as the year ends, but there should be no massive decline unless a real credit-crises develop. Investors making new purchases would do well, however, to stick now to bonds maturing within five years. Some time during 1965 longer bonds may become good buys.

17. Inflation fears may rise in 1965; but we do not look for runaway prices next year as speculative capacity is too large.

18. More wage hikes are certain in 1965. Liberal concessions won in the auto and other industries in 1964 provide tempting targets for the steel unions and secondary labor groups to shoot at in 1965.

19. To the extent—and this could be considerable—than higher cases cannot be compensated for by price hikes and greater efficiency, profit margins will suffer in 1965.

20. Indeed, despite the projected 2 1/2 cut in the

**BOYS VISIT STATION**—The group of 4-H Club members from Nicholas County who recently visited East Kentucky RECC's William C. Dale generating station are from left: Randy Stevens, Bobby Terry, Terry Feack, Steve Finch, Daley Associate Agent Tom Stevens, and Fritz Tolson. The plant generates the power which will serve the new 4-H camp two miles from Carlisle.

**4H's See Power Plant Control Room**  
A group of 4-H members in the electric control room at the plant generating power which will serve the new 4-H camp two miles from Carlisle.

**SEWER PLANT GETS OKAY**  
Mayor William Power stated Tuesday morning that the Carlisle Sewer Disposal Plant had been given its final okay by Jim Moore, engineer with Howard K. Bell & Co., Lexington on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

The plant operated by Clarence Hoggus, began pumping Monday, Dec. 28. Mayor Power plans to have an "open house" soon to mark the completion of the important advancement for the city of Carlisle. Details of the event will be furnished the Mayor added.



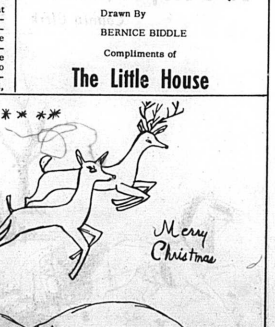
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