# These gardens are blooming delights

People don't realize how much enjoyment they can get out of a garden for the little time put in. That's Bob Heckert's feeling as

That's Bob Heckert's feeling as he assessed energy versus results in terms of his flower beds and vegetable garden now at their peak at his Pinecroft Drive home.

"Some people don't like yard week ever so" soid the former

home.
"Some people don't like yard work, per se," said the former commissioner of North Farming-ton-West Bloomfield Little League Basebail. But he says it's not necessary to give up other lessure time activities to have a discount of the second second lateral s

NOT SO WITH petunias, which Heckert planted this year for the first — and last — time.

He is completely exasperated with the bed of faded, scraggly petunias where he had showcased 250 immaculate begonias last year, Although the side bed netter of the second results of the second resul

nave ceviace, in chorns, retunias are an undisciplined
flower."

Hecher is four children give
the three betty is supportive, but is
bappy to leave the work to him.

"I have to give full credit to
my busband. I'm very much a
supervisor," she says.
"She's the inside person,"
Heckert acknowledges. "She's a
good example of someone who
isn't turned on by outside work."
Heckert does not stand alone
in his love of gardening among
his Potomac Gereen neighbors.
Heckert is not alone in his love
of gardening in the Potomac
Green subdivision where the
well-kept yards back up to one
another. "I don't know how mutuel is Jove and how much is
intimidation," Heckert laughs.
He leads the way two doors
north, where it is evident another



Bob Heckert formed "H" for Heckert out of red and white begonias at the suggestion of his youngest son. A begonia lover, he promises never to repeat this year's petunia fling.

true gardener resides. Marg Colman's backyard is a sympho-ny of color.

A rose bed flanks her chimney, impatiens ring her patio and a bed boasting a variety of flowers

adds vivid charm.
"I like to put in as much as possible. It's less maintenance," says Mrs. Colman. The number and variety of flowers represent "many trips to the nursery," she admits



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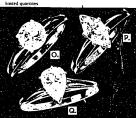
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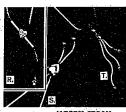
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