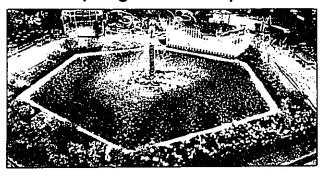
Flowers!

show's spring-like atmosphere



Stroll the gardens and pause by the pools is the invitation again this year at the builders show.

ergreens, including rhododendron. azaleas, flowering dogwood, and much more. These varieties adapt well to Michigan weather as long as they are planted with the proper protection.
"The public can stroll through the

pardens and examine the many featured varieties.

"Also new is the garden of poodlecut evergreens, sponsored by Muellers Sunrise Nursery. These ornamental trees, along with a variety of flowering bulbs, will surround a lighted fountain and a gazebo."

"A REAL TREAT IS the tropical garden, which spans 1,000 square feet. The 50-by-20-foot oasis is divided into three sections: an orchid display with a variety of exotic orchids; a tropical display complete with a live banana tree with actual fruit; and a cactus assortment of flowering and exotic shaped cacti," said Mike Colasanti of Colasanti Tropical Gardens in Ruth-ven, Ontario. Colasanti is the designer of the tropical garden.

"Also featured are the patio garden. sponsored by the National Bank of Detroit, the waterfall garden, spon-sored by Standard Federal Bank, and the pond garden, sponsored by First Federal of Michigan.

"Art Van Furniture, new to the flower show, will sponsor the main entry

The Detroit Parks and Recreation garden is back by popular demand, along with the Florist Association's exhibit and many more beautiful gar-

The Builders Show is famous for tricking annual flowers into thinking its spring, but this year, perennials will be forced to bloom also," Scott

said.
"This is an extremely technical process, whereby growers simulate spring with bright sunlight and a gradual in-

crease in greenhouse temperature.
"The flowers bloom just in time for the Builders Show."

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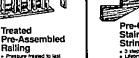
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