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The most widely available new flower this season will be a new dianthus called Magic Charms that has already captured the hearts of the seed industry.

It will be available in your favorite catalog or seed dis-

Winner of an all - American award for 1974, it is the first hybrid dianthus mixture ever introduced - and what a magnificent flower it is. Flower colors include scarlet, crimson, white, pink, salmon and two unusual speckled bicolors never before seen in dianthus.

Magic Charms is early flowering for a dianthus, requiring less than 12 weeks from sowing to blooming. In most locations the plants will survive the winter for a repeat display the following

spring.
Although seed can be direct - sown into the garden as soon as the ground can be

worked in spring, best re-sults are assured if the seeds are started early indoors and transplanted.

The lovely flower display begind early in summer and lasts until late fall when the

best color effect is often produced. Plants grow six inches tall and are covered by clusters of 11/2 - inch flo-

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Certain varieties of vegetables are frost - hardy, which allows them to be planted early in the spring as soon as the soil can be worked, and they are usually the first to be harvested even before some warm weather crops can be safely planted.

Examples of the fastest growing hardy vegetables to plant early are: radish, turnips, spinach, and loose - leaf lettuce. Slower maturing cool -weather vegetables include peas, beets, chard, head let-

tuce, parsley, broccoli, cab-thumbergia (yellow with bage, cauliflower and Brus-black centers). sels sprouts. A number of flowers are

tomato diseases is called frost hardy and can be sown blossom end - rot, and is recognized when the end of tointo the garden early as soon as the soil can be worked. These include alyssum, calendulas, California poppies, cornflowers, dianthus, gloriosa daisies, gypsophila, hollyhock, larkspur, snapdrabons, sweet peas and sweet william.

Other popular flowers need starting early indoors in order to get good size transplants after the soil has warmed up. These include petunias, impatiens, dahlias, and salvia.

Quick---growing-flowering vines are often needed for growing up trellises or fences. Morning glories are probably the most popular choice for this purpose, and they are available in a bold display of colors including blue, white scarlet and pink.

...Other interesting vines are canary creeper (yellow flowers), cardinal climber (red flowers), cypress vine (red and white), moonflowers (white), ornamental gourds (multi - colored fruits), and



GROWING TO PERFECTION are several kinds of vegetables, including young cabbage (top), mature radish (center) and frilly looseleaf lettuce (bottom). Boxes and bushel baskets provide ample growing space.

Farmers' week at MSU

Spring vegetable gardeners be especially interested in this year's horticulture program during the 59th an-nual Farmers' Week held at Michigan State University March 18-22.

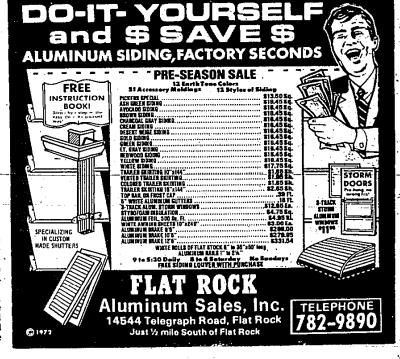
A 15 - minute color film, "Vegetable Gardening," produced by the Chicago Horticultural Society, will be shown Tuesday, March 19, and Thursday, March 21, at half - hour intervals from 10 a.m. through 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. through 3:30 p.m. It will also be shown Wednesday, March 20, at 9

Vegetable gardening will be the topic of various semi-nars held throughout the day

Wednesday, March 20. Some of the topic are: locating and planning the garden, home vegetable garden pestswhat's new in vegetable gardening, harvesting and stor-ing vegetables and recommended seed varieties.

The plant science greenhouse on Farm Lane and the horticulture teaching greenhouses adjacent to the Horticulture Building will be open to visitors daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A display of seed catalogs, bulletins and other vegetable gardening information will be located on the second floor of the Horticulture Building.





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