

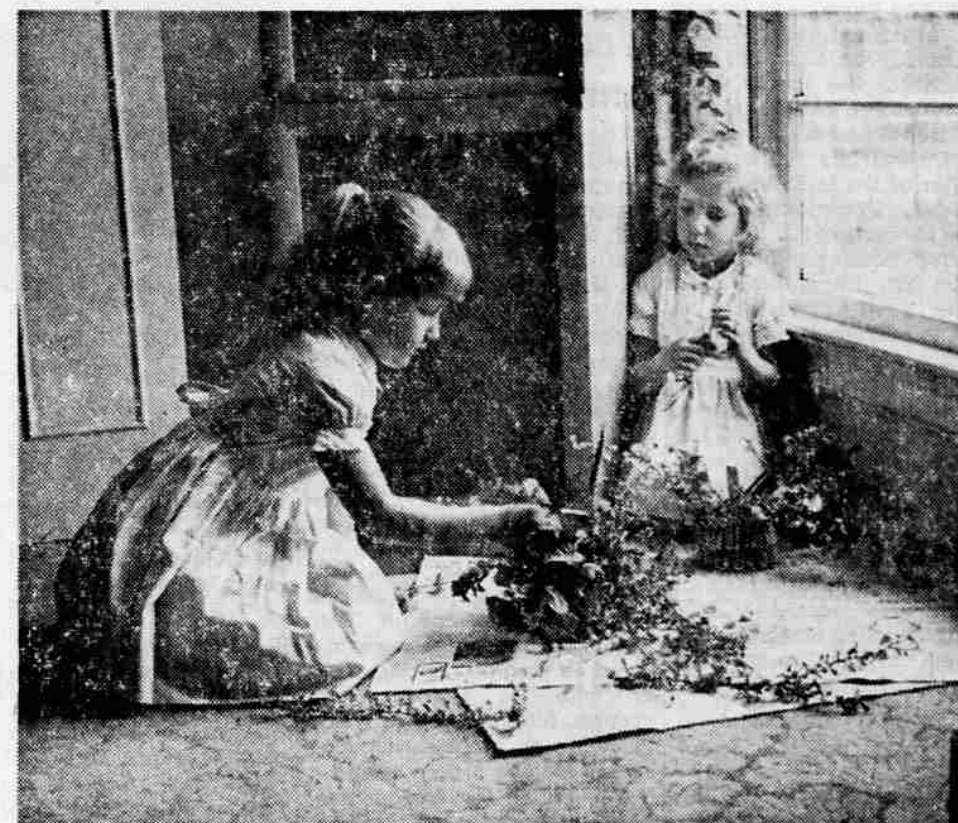
Operation May Basket



May day is the time when youngsters everywhere will have fun making pretty baskets and filling them with blossoms. Shauna Frederick, 4½, who anticipated the day, first chose a yellow tulip for the green basket.



Shauna's sister, 6-year-old Jan, put in a native trillium and a bit of English wallflower. Mrs. Richard Frederick, the girls' mother, made the pretty baskets from milk cartons, covering them with green crepe paper.



With basket half-filled, little sister paused for a time and watched Jan, who put larger flowers around the edge and then filled the center with feathery heather. Both young flower arrangers liked bright colors.



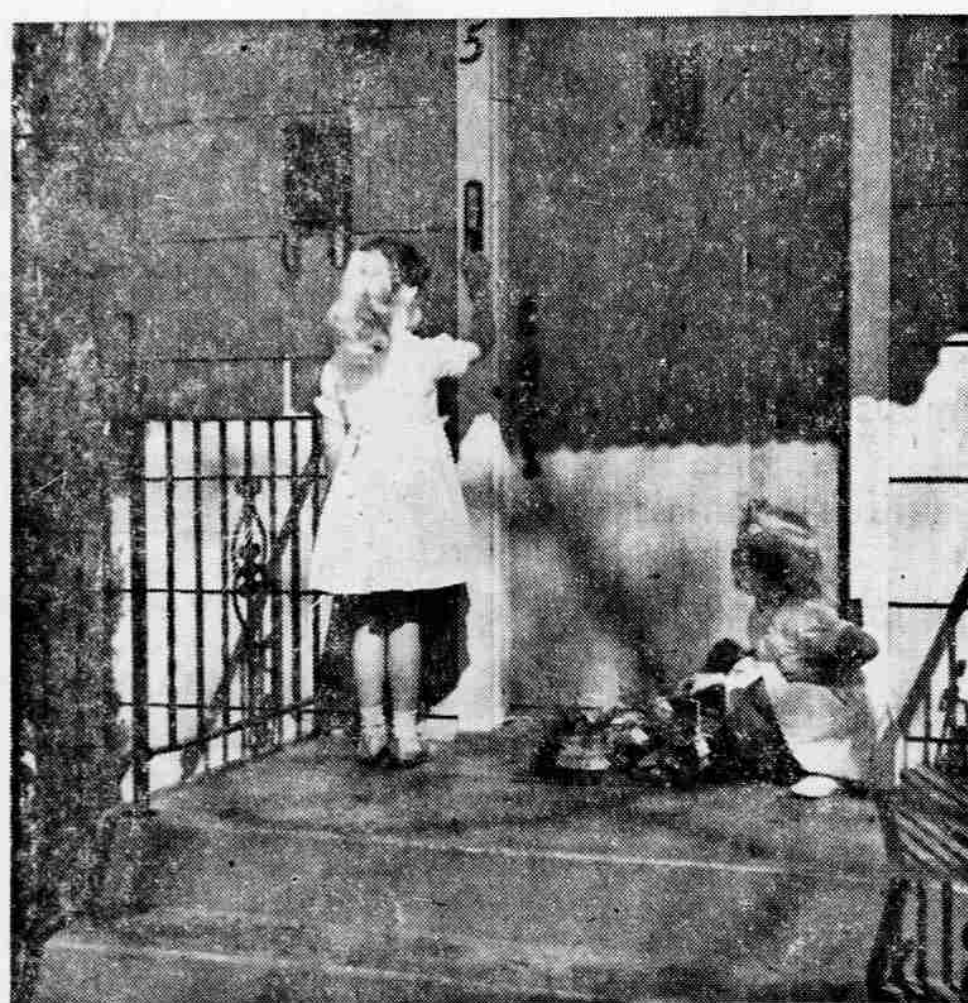
A tiny garden spider on Shauna's skirt brought the basket-filling to a halt while both girls watched. Shauna, not alarmed, said "he's a pretty green color."



With flower arranging completed, the two sisters rested on the floor and discussed next step in Operation May Basket — where to deliver them.



Oh! Dear! It's raining! Undaunted by downpour, the girls set out in car for friends' home.



Carrying out years-old tradition, the baskets were placed in front of the door at the D. E. Nelson home; Jan rang doorbell while Shauna guarded flowers.



Tradition also says that whoever delivers the basket must run and hide until the offering of flowers is discovered, so Shauna and Jan scampered as soon as the chimes sounded.



With mission accomplished, five children sat on steps in warm spring sun. Scott Nelson, 7, examined posies while Terri, 4 years old in May, and Lori, 5, watched cameraman.