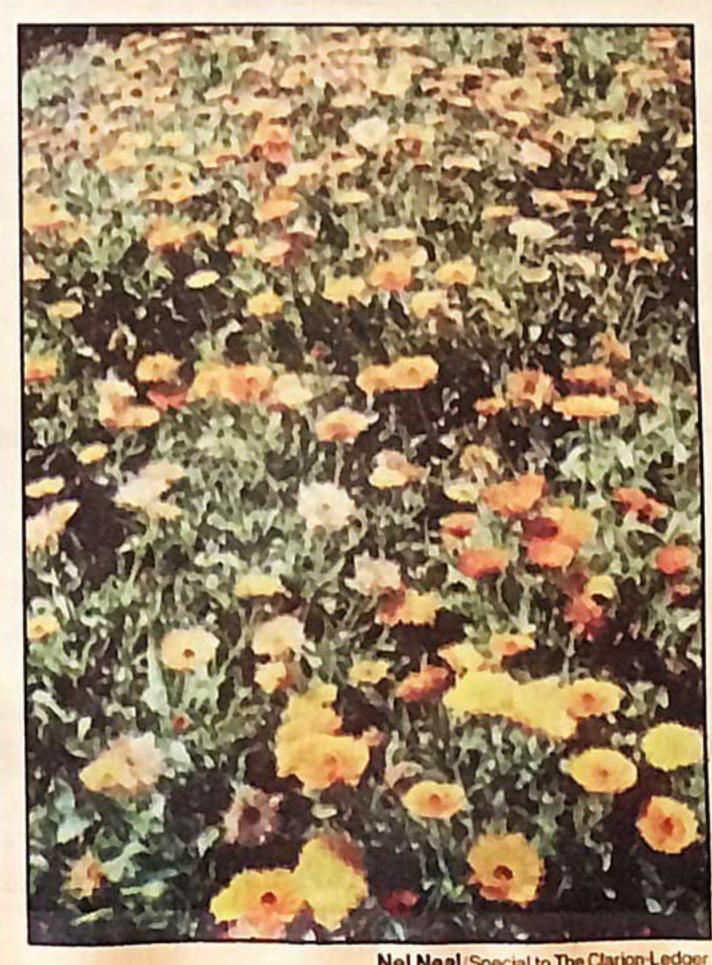


Allen Martinson of Rising Sun Growers in Ridgeland tends to a combination basket containing petunias, verbena, snapdragons and chrysanthemums.



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Ed Nichols (above), owner of Elephant Valley Nursery in Madison County, encourages gardeners to plant rosemary and other herbs during fall planting. At right, calendula or pot marigold can grow from plants or seeds planted in the fall.



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