

## First Flower Seed to Sow Is Petunia in a Seed Box



Transplanting Tiny Plants Goes Fast.

A flower which should be started in a seed box under protection is the petunia. Though one of the most vigorous of garden flowers, with amazing productiveness, its seed are so tiny that great care is required to bring a seedling plant safely through its infancy.

Florists have developed a method by which practically all seed can be grown into plants; and while this requires a greenhouse for best results, it can be used with much success in a sunny window of your home. The same method can be applied to other plants, where it is important that a maximum number of seeds be grown into plants, without loss due to thinning out crowded plants.

Begin by sowing a packet of seeds in a flat. If only one variety is sown, the seed can be broadcast. If different varieties are sown in the same box, sow in drills, labeling each drill.

A critical time with the petunia is the 20 day interval between sowing and germination of the seed. During this period the soil must not be allowed to dry out, nor should it be so wet as to encourage the growth of moulds and fungi. By sowing the seed in a layer of sphagnum moss, placed on top of the soil, danger of disease will be minimized. Germination requires a higher temperature than does the growth of plants. A range between 60 and 70 degrees is best, and no light is needed until the seeds break through the soil.

As soon as this occurs, the box should be placed near a sunny window, but never on top of a radiator. To make the plants grow sturdy, a night temperature of 50 to 55 degrees, with 10 degrees higher during the day, is best. The seedling plants will be close together, and to save them all it is necessary to transplant them to other flats, where they have room to develop.

\*Transplanting may be done when



Room to Grow.

they are very tiny, and should be done as soon as they have made the second pair of leaves, known as "true" leaves. Enough flats to take them all must be provided, filled with porous soil. The best way is to use "plant bands," which are substitutes for flower pots, placing a seedling petunia in the center of each band. Another way is to draw lines 2 inches apart at right angles covering the surface of each flat, and to set a seedling plant at each intersection.

Transplanting an infant plant is a matter of seconds. Lift it, roots and all, between the finger and a pointed stick, place it in its new home and firm the soil about it. Each plant will now have room to develop to garden size without being moved again; but florists often transplant them again into pots, to make larger plants to sell.

Remember that each time a plant is moved, it receives a set-back; so it takes longer to grow petunias to garden size, if they are transplanted as described. So start operations early, if you want early flowering. Florists may sow petunia seed soon after New Year. The amateur should start petunias at least two weeks before other flowers, which are to be grown in the hotbed, cold-frame or house.

## Ferebee Landed In Tarheel Banker

The February issue of the Tarheel Banker carried a lengthy article on Percy Bell Ferebee, President of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Andrews. Excerpts from the article are as follows:

The treasurer of the North Carolina Bankers Association is gifted with unbounded energy and vigor; Percy Ferebee has used these natural qualities to inject a new spirit of co-operative action in Cherokee County and surrounding communities. He adopted the beautiful Smoky Mountains as his home and the mountains welcomed his choice. They have stood silently by and observed his fine manner in business ethics as well as his creed for friendship among family and neighbors. Mr. Ferebee was recently re-elected Mayor of Andrews.

He was born in Elizabeth City and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bell Ferebee. He journeyed to western North Carolina to work with the U. S. Forest Service upon completion of his college education at N. C. State College.

He graduated in 1913 from the School of Electrical Engineering. Percy Ferebee married Miss Florence Flood of New York who was a music teacher at Andrews. Mrs. Ferebee died soon after the birth of their son, James Bell Ferebee II.

When Mr. Ferebee came to the Citizens Bank and Trust Company in 1926, its assets were slightly over ninety thousand dollars and the bank consisted of one small office and two employees. Today, Citizens Bank and Trust Company has total assets of little over five million dollars, three branch offices and twelve employees. During the trying days of the early thirties, the bank, under the able guidance of Ferebee, was one of the few banks in western North Carolina continuing to serve the people.

Although banking demands the major time in his life, he has many and varied interests, among these: Nantahala Talc & Limestone Company, one of the oldest industries in Western North Carolina, of which he is president.

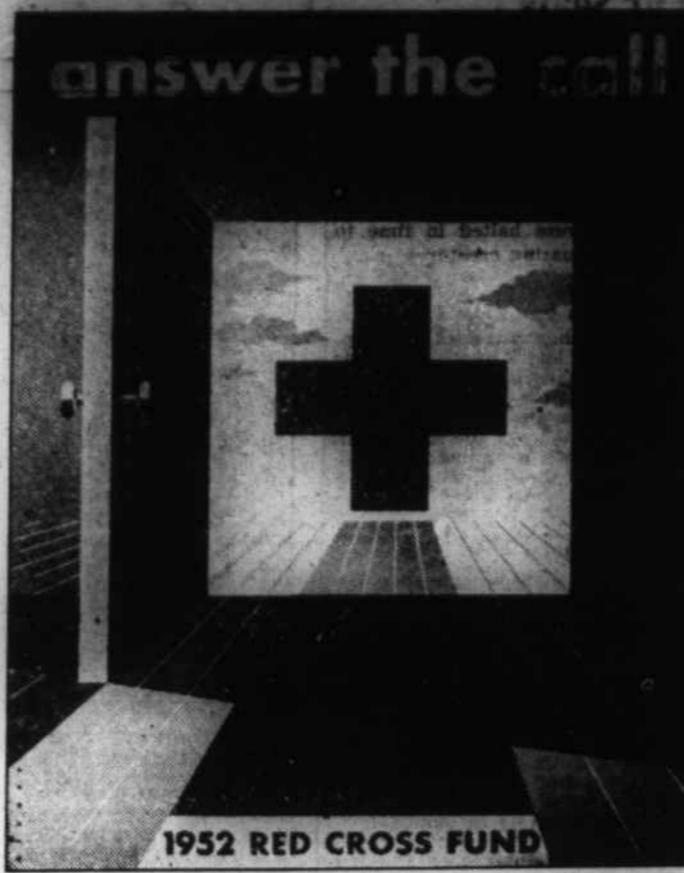
Early in 1947 Mr. Ferebee and several other leading business and civic figures established a group known as the Western North Carolina Associated Communities, for the purpose of developing the recreational and industrial life of Great Smoky area. Twenty-seven towns were represented in the organization. The first project undertaken by the organization was the promotion of a drama at Cherokee. "Unto These Hills," grandly written by Kermit Hunter, was a project conceived and carried through with the complete and earnest cooperation of this capable organization, of which Percy Ferebee is past president.

Mr. Ferebee holds a number of other honorary offices.

He is a member and actively supports the Lutheran Church of Andrews.

Percy Ferebee is a believer in

## Red Cross Fund campaign poster for 1952



Featuring an open door and the spirit of the Red Cross entering the homes of America, the 1952 Red Cross campaign poster asks all Americans to Answer the Call of humanity. It is the work of Joseph Binder, internationally known New York poster artist.

## Upward Trend In School Bus Accidents Noted

An upward trend in school bus accidents has officials of the State Highway Safety Division worried.

Since the first of the year, they said, three children have been killed in accidents involving school buses.

In a majority of cases the youngsters themselves were morally at fault, the safety experts pointed out. Most of the fatalities occurring recently have been traced to children stepping from in front of the bus into the roadway. State law, of course, requires that traffic from both directions stop when approaching a standing school bus.

The Safety Division is appealing to parents of school age young

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people for help. Safety equipment is adequate, the division feels. Every bus is painted a brilliant orange, it carries stop lights at the front and rear and is equipped with a stop sign showing both ways when the vehicle is halted.

"Parents must continually impress on their youngsters the dangers of the open road," the safety men said.

## Woman's Club Hears Butler

The Junior Woman's Club of Andrews met with Mrs. Arnold Derberry February 18, with Mrs. Mark Elliott and Mrs. John Kuppice as co-hostesses.

The president, Miss Trilby Glenn, welcomed Gordon Butler who expressed his appreciation for the splendid work which the club members did in making the Red Cross Bloodmobile work a success.

A film on "Preliminary Procedure" was shown by Mrs. Carl Barnett after the business session. Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

There's a divinity that shapes our ends, rough hew them how we will.—William Shakespeare

## Children Visit

### Mrs. W. C. Jones

Mrs. W. C. Jones of Andrews had the pleasure of having all her children, except one son, Ben, visit her Sunday. Those out of town were: daughters, Mrs. J. A. Arrowood of Albany, Ga.; Mrs. Harve Arrowood of Murphy; and son, George B. and his son, Lowell, of Lenoir City, Tenn.

The sons living in town are: John, Hugh, Penn, Bill and Sam. The other son, Ben, who is a Chief Petty Officer, is stationed at Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Jones said she was 81 years young last January 11.

## TO THE REPRESENTATIVES OF CHEROKEE COUNTY

A meeting of Representatives from all precincts of the county is called to meet at the Court House in Murphy on Thursday, the 6th day of March, 1952, at 7:30 p. m.

This meeting is called as the semi-annual regular county convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the Congressional and State Conventions of the party and for the purpose of nominating the candidates for the November election for county and township officers, as well as for any other business which may properly come before the convention.

This the 20th day of February, 1952.  
E. E. Stiles, Chairman Republican Executive Committee 33-1tc

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## Church To Have Singing Concert

The Pisgah Baptist Church, located three miles from Andrews on Pisgah road, will have a Singing Concert Saturday, March 1 from 7 p. m. to 12 p. m.

The Macon County quartet, the Peachtree quartet and other local quartets will take part in the singing. Also, the Freeman Sisters from Wesser will be present. Everyone is welcome.

## Buchanan Trains At Ft. Benning

Cpl. J. B. Buchanan, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Buchanan, has recently been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

Buchanan has entered light and heavy weapon school for seventeen weeks, after which he will return to his former station at Camp Rucker, Ala., where he has been since he entered service in February 1951.



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