

EXTENSION SCENE

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Recently I was visiting at a neighbor's house and commented on the pretty flowers that were being displayed, and it was mentioned that they were mountain laurel. Upon hearing this I mentioned that, "Gee, did you know those things are poisonous," and the mother immediately got upset and indicated that their small child had been chewing on some of the stems that very day. Luckily the child showed absolutely no symptoms of plant poisoning, but it is a known fact that many plants that grow abundantly in this area are indeed poisonous.

When we think about poisonous plants, one may auto-

matically react by thinking that it is necessary to ingest a part of the plant for it to create any problems. Yet, oftentimes the singular most common poisonous plant that causes the most problems locally is poison ivy. In my own neighborhood there has been enough Roundup used in the last couple of years to wipe out acres of other plants, but poison ivy seems to be able to resist attempts to eliminate it much more than most other plants. However, it is definitely a poisonous plant as many people who are allergic to the chemicals that are contained in the vines and leaves can readily attest.

As a rule of thumb, it is

probably best to keep in mind that practically all ornamental plants are poisonous in some degree, especially those that have a waxy outer appearance. By making this statement, I do not mean to say that all Japanese holly or other ornamental holly plants should be destroyed; but it is important to be aware that these plants can cause poisoning if fed to animals or if chewed by humans. Naturally, small children are the most likely candidates for problems associated with poison plants. So the important thing is to be sure and instruct children not to chew on most plants and especially those that the leaves have a shiny, waxy appear-

ance. I recall a number of years ago an individual called us and said that his goats were extremely sick and exhibited a distinct lack of coordination. From his description it sounded very much like some type of poisoning. When I asked him if the goats had eaten anything out of the ordinary recently, he quickly admitted that he had pruned all of his Japanese holly shrubs and had fed them to the goats. None of the goats actually died, but that was a lesson that was learned almost the hard way.

There are numerous other plants that practically everyone is quite familiar with that are known to be poisonous but simply cause no problem whatsoever. "Jimson weeds are quite poisonous but who would ever eat a jimson weed? Also as may have been observed, even in hog lots, two or three jimson weeds may be growing by themselves in the lot while there is absolutely no other vegetation in the entire lot. Thus, even the hogs know to avoid eating this particular plant.

However, chinaberries are a different story. Hogs will readily eat the berries from a chinaberry tree, and it is most important that they not be allowed to consume berries that fall from these trees. It is also known that young cockle-burs are extremely poisonous to hogs and have been known to kill pigs very quickly.

Other weeds that quickly come to mind are considered poisonous include pigweed, lambsquarter, smartweeds, morning-glories, and even goldenrods. Yet, the only problem that will ever exist from these particular poisonous plants will result only if animals have absolutely no other source of food and are forced to eat these plants to remain alive. I have actually witnessed situations like this that some cattle were poisoned because of their ingestion of pigweeds. Naturally upon observing the so-called pasture, there was absolutely nothing else for the animals to eat.

Therefore, the whole point of this column is to simply remind everyone that many of the plants that we touch or see

everyday may be poisonous, and with this information in mind it is important to make sure that children or animals are not allowed to chew or eat plants whose poisonous tendencies are unknown.



Coal and diamonds are made of the same chemical element - carbon.



Originally, facial tissues were to be used as filters for gas masks during WWI.

"Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday." Don Marquis

The Pullman was the first successful railroad sleeping car. George M. Pullman built the first one at Bloomington, Illinois in 1859.

Observes 70th Birthday



Mrs. Emma Mae Jacobs celebrated her 70th birthday Saturday, May 15, with a dinner given by her 9 children at Prospect United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

and loved ones, friends and relatives planned money on it as an expression of love. Mrs. Jacobs is the mother of nine children, 42 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. (E. Hunt photo)

IN SERVICE SEMINAR PLANNED



Dr. Sue Corrigan

The Title IV Part A Indian Education Project of the Robeson County Board of Education will sponsor a two-day in-service training seminar for teachers and project staff on June 7-8 at Holiday Inn North. The workshop will be conducted by Dr. Sue Corrigan of Washington, D.C. and will deal extensively with developing positive self-concepts of disadvantaged and minority youth.

Dr. Corrigan has extensive experience in counselor training, human relations training, consulting, and an array of experience in several health delivery systems and student services at hospitals, community agencies and post-

secondary institutions, in addition to teaching experience. Dr. Corrigan is a registered Psychiatric Nurse Therapist, received her undergraduate degree in sociology and anthropology at the University of Rhode Island, a master's degree in Counseling Psychology and Student Personnel Administration at the University of Rhode Island, and her doctor of science from Boston University.

A Narragansett Indian, Dr. Corrigan has engaged in independent research, published extensively, is a member of many professional associations, serves on professional committees, and has received the Outstanding Young Woman of America Award in 1977 and was listed in Who's Who in the East in 1978. Dr. Corrigan currently serves as a consultant to numerous institutions, businesses, government agencies and education centers.

There are no costs to Robeson County School District personnel. Other individuals interested in attending the workshops may obtain additional information by contacting Ms. Rachel Sampson at 738-4841, Extension 46. The deadline for luncheon reservations is Friday, May 28th.

Receives Special Blessing

by Ted Silverhand

Philadelphia, Penn.—On May 11, 1982, La Vita Owl Feather, Medicine Woman, and member of the Drowning Creek Reservation, received a special blessing from Rolling Thunder, one of the leading Native American Spiritual Leaders and Medicine Men. Rolling Thunder spoke to a turn away crowd at the University of Pennsylvania Museum Auditorium. His topic was "Native American Prophecies and Predictions for Today; and what people can do in practical, useful ways to change coming events."

Carion, Nev. Two birds have been written about his life, teachings and special powers in the area of Healing and Herbal Medicine.

Owl Feather stated, "I felt very honored in receiving this special blessing," that was given to her from Rolling Thunder's Eagle Wing.

Ms. Owl Feather is also a member of the NAT Medicine Society; and well known in the Philadelphia area for her uses of Herbal Medicine. She will be attending many of the Pow-Wows this summer on the East Coast. Look for her stand, she plans on having many different Herbal medicines for sale.

NEW CAR WINNERS...

At the right are winners of 10 1982 CHEVETTES

- ELSIE F. PERRY, Pembroke, N.C.
- GRACE B. DOVE, New Bern, N.C.
- LINDA C. WADDELL, Erwin, N.C.
- LELA LANIER, Creedmoor, N.C.
- DORIS PRICE, Faison, N.C.
- GLORIA ROBERSON, Greenville, N.C.
- LAURA GRANT, Archdale, N.C.
- MARIE ANNA SANDERS, La Grange, N.C.
- JOSEPH T. MATYER, Nuttville, N.C.
- LOT'S SUNN, Zebulon, N.C.

The drawing, held recently, culminated an extensive advertising promotion by Piggly Wiggly stores in central and eastern North Carolina.

SUPER SPECIAL!
Van Camp's PORK & BEANS 16 OZ.
COOL WHIP 8 OZ. 77c
3/100

Swift's Premium Beef FULL CUT BONE IN ROUND STEAK 1.89
CUBE STEAK 2.99

SUPER SPECIAL!
COTTONELLE BATHROOM TISSUE 8 ROLL PACK
1.39
PORK & BEANS 16 OZ. 77c
COOL WHIP 8 OZ. 77c

BONELESS SIRLOIN TIP 2.99
FULL CUT BONELESS ROUND STEAK 1.99
BONELESS TIP ROUND STEAK 2.29
BONELESS SIRLOIN TIP STEAK 3.19
BONELESS RUMP OR BOTTOM ROUND ROAST 2.99

KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKES 24 OZ. 1.19

BOUNTY TOWELS JUMBO ROLL 69c

LUX LIQUID (22 OZ.) 79c

WHOLE FRYERS 44c LB.
OSCAR MAYER BEEF BOLOGNA 12 OZ. PK. 1.59
OSCAR MAYER BEEF OR THICK SLICED BOLOGNA 12 OZ. PK. 1.49
OSCAR MAYER COOKED HAM 8 OZ. PK. 1.59
OSCAR MAYER CHOPPED HAM 8 OZ. PK. 1.59
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RED BAND PLAIN OR SELF RISING FLOUR 5 LBS. 89c

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PORK & BEANS 16 OZ. 77c
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PIGGLY WIGGLY SALAD CUBES 12 OZ. 59c
PORK & BEANS 16 OZ. 77c
COOL WHIP 8 OZ. 77c

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CATSUP 89c

PIGGLY WIGGLY KETCHUP 32 OZ. 89c

SUPER SPECIAL!
PIGGLY WIGGLY HAMBURGER & HOT DOG BUNS 8 PK. 2/89c
PORK & BEANS 16 OZ. 77c
COOL WHIP 8 OZ. 77c

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MASTER BLEND COFFEE 13 OZ. BAG 2.09
HIGH POINT COFFEE 8 OZ. 4.59

16 OZ. MINUTE MAID ORANGE JUICE 1.29

MAOLA ICE CREAM 1/2 GAL 1.79
MAOLA ICE CREAM SANDWICHES 8 PK. 99c
PORK & BEANS 16 OZ. 77c
COOL WHIP 8 OZ. 77c

MAOLA ICE CREAM 5-QT. BUCKET \$3.99
LIPTON TEA 3 OZ. 2.79

RICH 'N CHIPS 1.29
SANDIES 1.29
CRACKERS 1.09
OREOS 1.39

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INSTANT TEA LEMON 30 OZ. 2.89
LE-CAL INSTANT TEA LEMON 4 OZ. 1.99

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