



GARDEN TIME

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Many of our deciduous shrubs and plants may be easily propagated by means of hardwood cuttings. Examples are spiraea, crape myrtle, forsythia, jasmine, grape, bunch grapes, privet, gooseberries, curants, and many others. And this is a good time of the year to make deciduous cuttings.

It is necessary that at least one good bud is above the surface of the soil. Instead of storing the cuttings over winter in bundles they may be planted out in cold-frames or even directly in nursery or garden rows as soon as they are cut from the plant. Usually, however, the former method gives a higher percentage of rooting.

Good, strong wood of last summer's growth is best for this purpose. The cuttings may be made in lengths of eight to ten inches and tied in bundles of 25 to 50 cuttings. If you have access to cool storage (38 to 40 degrees F.) the cuttings may be stored in boxes of moistened peat or sand. Otherwise, they may be buried in a mound of sand or sandy soil out-of-doors where they can be shielded from the sun's rays.

Although bunch grapes are easily propagated by means of hardwood cuttings, this is not true of most varieties of muscadines. The Scuppernon is especially difficult to root in this manner. For these it is better to layer the vines — that is, to cover a young vine with a shovelful of earth while it is still attached to the parent plant. In one growing season roots will usually form and the new plant may be detached from the parent and moved to the desired location.

In burying the bundles of cuttings it is best to place them upside down, that is, with the basal ends at the top. Before growth starts in spring the cuttings must be taken up and planted in rows or beds for rooting. About two-thirds of the base or bottom end of the cutting should be inserted below the surface of the soil and one-third above the surface.

Dipping the basal end of the cutting in rootone powder just before planting out in the nursery row or coldframe will often cause quicker rooting and a better set of roots. Rootone may be obtained at any large seed store.

Notre Dame, SMU On Television Saturday

SOUT BEND, Ind. — The Irish of Notre Dame will close their 1953 season in Notre Dame stadium Saturday afternoon (Dec. 5) against the Mustangs of Southern Methodist University in a game that will be seen by millions across the nation as the General Motors TV Football Game of the Week.

The 90-station, nationwide NBC network will carry the telecast starting at 2:45 p. m. (EST). Gametime will be 3 p. m. (EST).

The Notre Dame-SMU clash will bring to a close the 1953 General Motors TV Game of the Week series.

While Coach Frank Leahy's Irish are favored to win Saturday's game, the wide open style of play featured by the Mustangs from Dallas, Tex., holds the possibility of an upset. An SMU victory would be one of 1953's greatest football achievements and Coach Chalmers Woodward is sure to have his charges fired up for a peak effort in this, their last game of the season.

Because most college teams have completed their regular schedules, all eyes of the football world will be on the Notre-Dame-Southern Methodist game. The television audience for the game is expected to be the biggest ever to watch a regularly scheduled college football contest.

Mel Allen and Lindsey Nelson, NBC sportscasters, will do the play-by-play and color commentary for the game.

The Irish-Mustang game will complete a 12-week GM Game of the Week schedule during which all or parts of 38 college games in all parts of the nation have been televised since September 19.

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Farmer Finds Chowan Clover Is "Gold Mine"

Foy A. Ward of Chowan County's Gliden community found "gold" on 2½ acres of his farm last spring, according to C. W. Overman.

Overman, county agent for the State College Extension Service, says Ward's "gold" was wrapped neatly in lush growths of Ladino clover. On April 3 Ward turned 50 shoats on his 2½ acres of clover pasture and began keeping records of the corn and protein supplement fed. The pasture was divided in the middle by a fence so the hogs could be rotated to new growths of pasture each seven to ten days.

The shoats weighed 100 pounds each — a total of 5,014 pounds. On June 12 the 50 finished hogs weighed 10,955 pounds and sold at \$23.75 per 100. They had gained 5,941 pounds. During the 70 days the hogs were fed 350 bushels of corn and 800 pounds of protein supplement. Minerals were fed free choice. Now, the \$64 question: "What was the clover worth?"

Overman and Ward arrived at the answer this way: In drylot feeding, they knew that it takes about 6½ bushels of corn and 40 pounds of protein supplement to make 100 pounds gain. Ward could have sold his corn at \$1.70 per bushel, so they valued the corn at that price. The 800 pounds of supplement cost \$43 so they valued the supplement at \$5.37½ per 100 pounds. To make 100 pounds gain on drylot feeding it would take 6½ bushels of corn at \$1.70, plus 40 pounds of supplement at \$5.37½ cents per pound (\$11.05 for corn and \$2.15 for supplement) — a total cost of \$13.20 per 100 pounds gain. The 100 pounds gain was worth \$23.75, so each \$1 worth of feed would produce \$1.80 worth of gain.

The 350 bushels of corn at \$1.70

per bushel was worth \$595 plus \$43 for the 800 pounds of supplement made \$638.00 for the dry feed fed.

On the basis of the above ratio of cost to gain, the \$638 worth of feed should have produced 638 times \$1.80 or \$1,148.40 worth of gain. The total gain of 5,941 pounds at \$23.75 per 100 pounds was worth \$1,410.99. The \$1,410.99 worth of gain less \$1,148.40 (the amount that could be attributed to the dry feed) left \$262.59 as the value for the Ladino clover.

"There is gold in the soil when Ladino clover will return more than \$100 per acre in 70 days grazing with hogs," says Overman. Ladino clover, when properly managed, will produce well for at least three years. It may be grazed periodically during the fall and winter as well as in the spring and early summer."

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Wreck Injuries Fatal To Niece Of Mrs. Plonk

Miss Dorothy Ferguson, 26, of Gastonia, a grandniece of Mrs. M. L. Plonk of Kings Mountain, was fatally injured last Thursday night in a two-car wreck at the intersection of Avon street and East Second avenue.

Miss Ferguson died at Gaston Memorial hospital at 8:20 Friday morning.

She was a passenger in a car driven by Eugene Vassey, 27, a taxi driver of 407 Myrtle street. Vassey's Ford was in collision with a 1953 Nash driven by Richard M. Lane, 39, of 78 North Main street, Clover, S. C. The police report showed that Lane was going west on Second avenue.

Capt. Roy Short, night policeman in charge, said both Vassey and Lane were badly shaken up and it was impossible to question them. Both the drivers are at Gaston Memorial hospital. Thus, the police investigation was incomplete.

Both cars were described as a total loss in the wreck.

Miss Ferguson was the daughter of J. L. Ferguson, who runs a grocery store on the York highway near Gastonia. She worked in her father's store.

Miss Dorothy Falls Ferguson is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ferguson; and one sister, Mrs. Alfred Foy of Gastonia, Route 1.

Miss Ferguson was president of her Sunday School class at Olney Presbyterian church.

The funeral was held Saturday at 3 p. m. at Olney Presbyterian church. Her pastor, Rev. J. E. Anderson, was in charge, assisted by Rev. W. N. Falls of Crowders Creek ARP church. Burial was in the Olney cemetery.

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