

### Directions For Saving Flower

If Owners Of Pretty Poinsettias Wish To Save Plants For Another Season Here's The Formula

By A MASTER GARDENER  
Would you like to know what to do to carry your poinsettias over for growth another year?  
First of all, it is well known the poinsettia is native to the Semi-tropics, having been discovered in Mexico by an American minister to that country, Joel R. Poinsett, for whom it was named. Being of a semi-tropical nature, it consequently requires warmth and humidity if we are to prevent the dropping of leaves caused by the transfer from the humid air of the greenhouse to the dry air of the average dwelling.  
The poinsettia needs sun; it

needs a warm moist atmosphere, as stated above; and plenty of water when blooming. It thrives best in a temperature ranging from 70 to 80 degrees. It is sensitive to sudden changes in temperature and must never be placed in a direct draft. If the temperature drops much below 60 at night, the leaves will begin to turn yellow and drop prematurely.  
When you receive your plant, place it in a sunny window promptly. To maintain the necessary humidity in the atmosphere surrounding the plant, place the pot in a saucer of damp sphagnum moss. Water regularly, twice a day if necessary. If the air is dry, sprinkle the top daily.  
Remember that the leaves will fall if the plant gets too dry or too cold; also it will lose its foliage if drainage is not and the soil becomes waterlogged.  
Apply a pinch of complete balanced food every two weeks, and water it well.

If cared for properly, the plant should remain presentable all through January. By that time the leaves will begin to fall, and the plant is entering its dormant state. Allow the soil to dry off gradually, then place the plant, pot and all, on its side on the basement floor, and just forget about it for the following three months. The plant will dry up and to all appearance seem to be without life.  
In late April or early May, report, using a good potting soil, enriched with 1/2 teaspoon of a complete balanced plant food per quart of soil; thoroughly mix the plant food with the soil. Also place a piece of charcoal in the bottom of the pot, to keep the soil sweet. Before repotting, wash all the old dirt off of the roots of the plant, and cut the stems back to a height of 4 to 8 inches—one or two joints above the soil. Place the newly potted plant in a sunny window, and give water gradually. When new growth starts, water regularly, also feed every six weeks with a complete balanced plant food, using about a level teaspoonful for a 6 to 10-inch pot.  
When all danger of frost is over, sink pot and all in a semi-shady situation in the garden where plenty of light and good circulation of air, but not too strong sunlight, is available. Keep well watered during the summer, but keep the plant stocky by pruning.  
Bring in the house about September 1, as the Poinsettia is very sensitive to cool nights. By bringing indoors early, the plant also has a chance to acclimate itself to the indoors atmosphere gradually. Keep in a sunny window out of drafts, and water well, spray the leaves with clear water every 4 or 5 days. If the pot is sunk in a larger pot filled with peat moss, and this moss is kept moist, it will provide the moist atmosphere needed. Late in November, the "flower" or colored bracts should begin to show, and by Christmas the plant should be in bloom.

### Expert Answers Farm Questions

**QUESTION:** What is the earliest date that vegetables can be planted in the field in eastern Carolina?  
**ANSWER:** Hardy vegetables, such as cabbage, collards, kale, lettuce, mustard, onions, spinach, and smooth-seeded garden peas may be planted in the open as early as January 15 in the extreme eastern portion. Plantings are gradually advanced by fifteen-day intervals for the half-hardy and sixty-day intervals for the tender crops. A general rule is to plant the half-hardy crops such as asparagus, beets, Irish potatoes, radishes, and turnips about three or four weeks before the date of the last killing frost. Warm season vegetables should not be planted until all danger of frost is past.

**QUESTION:** How can I bring my laying pullets, that have gone into a neck molt, back into production?  
**ANSWER:** As a usual thing, the early hatched pullets go into a neck molt in the late fall or early winter and, at that time the consumption of mash falls off. As mash is the "eggs producing" food it is necessary to encourage the consumption and often this can be accomplished by giving the birds a wet mash in the early afternoon. This mash should be fed in a "v" shaped trough and the birds given all they will consume in about thirty minutes. The rest period during the neck molt apparently increases the value of the birds from a breeding standpoint and it might be well to select the breeding flock from these birds.

**QUESTION:** What is the best variety of lespedeza to seed for hay?  
**ANSWER:** There is very little to choose between the Kobe and the Tennessee 76 varieties as tests conducted in 22 different localities show a difference of only 62 pounds an acre difference between the two. An experiment conducted at the Branch Experiment Station at Statesville shows a difference of only 30 pounds an acre between these two varieties. For general farm purposes the Common is the best as this variety makes good yields of hay and seed, and in pastures reseeds itself under closer grazing than any of the other varieties. It is also one of the best varieties for soil improvement.

The plant for which Hollywood, Cal., was named is the California Christmas berry, sometimes called California holly, which once grew thick in that neighborhood.  
Thieves stole a large gospel tent owned by Rev. R. E. Alden, which he had set up in a field near Boston.  
The word cosmetic comes from the Green, meaning "I adorn."  
Paris is warring on noisy taxi drivers.  
Green rattlesnakes are green in Arizona, but Texas they are pink, according to an expedition of museum scientists.  
The United States sold more than 40 million artificial teeth to the British last year.  
Mount Washington, N. H. was once covered by a moving continental glacier, according to studies.  
Five million meals, one for every five of estimated attendance, are expected to be served on Treasure Island, San Francisco, during the 1939 exposition.

**DANGEROUS**  
It is dangerous to sell a SUBSTITUTE for 66¢ just to make three or four cents more. Customers are your best assets; lose them and you lose your business. 66¢ is worth three or four times as much as a SUBSTITUTE. (Adv.)

**LITTLE BITS OF BIG NEWS**  
(Continued from Page 1)  
the parole commissioner, to parole him. He paroles everybody else; he might as well parole your client too."  
**Plane Lost**  
The Samoan Clipper, huge Pan-American flying boat with seven crew members aboard, disappeared on a south Pacific flight Tuesday after reporting she was turning back to Pago Pago, American Samoa, because of minor engine trouble. Search for the 19-ton, four-motored craft was started by United States naval authorities at Tutuila, Samoa, who sent a seaplane into the hunt along the clipper's 1,806-mile route between Samoa and Auckland, N. Z.

**Confession**  
Wash Turner, reputed trigger man of North Carolina's two-man crime wave, confessed Friday that he and William (Bill) Payne shot and killed State Highway Patrolman George Penn, on a remote dirt road five miles from Fairview last August 22. Sheriff E. Brown announced. Earlier in the day Turner led officers to the youthful patrolman's service automatic and Payne directed another search which ended in the discovery of a rifle and shotgun used by the two desperados in their gun battle with the officer. The weapons were all hid in the Biltmore forest section.

**Reward**  
Governor Harold G. Hoffman Monday gave nine men and a woman \$25,000 of New Jersey's \$25,000 reward for capture of

the Lindbergh baby murderer. He reserved the remainder for more than 100 others and reiterated his belief the case was not completely solved with the execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann. The Bronx service station manager, Walter Lyle, now of Elizabeth, N. J., who jotted Hauptmann's automobile license number on a \$10 bill—part of the \$50,000 which Col. Lindbergh paid in a futile effort to regain his child—was awarded \$7,500. William J. Allen, of Trenton, negro truck driver whose discovery of the baby's body in a roadside thicket in May, 1932, ended a 72-day search for the infant, won the next largest share, \$5,000.

**ATTACKING GIRLS TWO ACCUSED OF**  
(Continued from page one)  
decided to hitch hike because of depleted funds. The pretty brunette said she and her blonde girl friend were offered a ride by Medlin and Lewis from a Brunswick filling station. After attacking them, she said, the men robbed her of \$10. Both girls claimed they were injured in the attacks.  
The girls said they met while employed by the Dog House, Reno, Nev., Night Club, made their way to New York together and from there started to Florida. Both were well dressed and of educated speech.

**BENEFITS WILL BE PAID INVOLUNTARY JOBLESS IN AREA**  
(Continued from page one)  
work performed for employers covered by the North Carolina law. The North Carolina law covers most industrial and commer-

**URGES TOBACCO FARMERS TO GO**  
Practical Uses of Fertilizer—Mr. Floyd  
Tobacco Soils and Fertilizer Materials—Dr. Lutz  
Conservation of Tobacco Soils—Mr. Lee  
Lunch  
Federal Grading of Tobacco—Mr. Gage  
Grading Practice—Dr. Cotner and Mr. Taylor

**THURSDAY**  
Dr. Cotner, Leader  
Variety Work—Mr. Bullock  
Production Problems—Mr. Floyd and Mr. Weeks  
Tobacco Insects and Tobacco Insect Control—Mr. Rowell and Mr. Shands  
Lunch  
Grading Practice—Dr. Cotner and Mr. Taylor

**FRIDAY**  
Dr. Luther Shaw, Leader  
Rotations, Tobacco Disease and Their Control—Dr. Poole, Mr. K. J. Shaw and Dr. Luther Shaw.  
Awarding Certificates and Adjourn  
Lunch

cial enterprises which have employed eight or more persons in twenty different weeks in the calendar year.

**RUARK WINDS UP CASES IN COURT**  
(Continued from page 1)  
ment of the costs; Buck Hankins, colored, not guilty of assault.

**BUS SHARED IN GOOD SERVICE**  
(Continued from page 1)  
night for more than a week before Christmas. The mail that arrived at Wilmington for points down the line was never delayed in reaching its destination.

**CREDIT BODY TO MEET IN COUNTY**  
(Continued from page one)  
to learn every detail of the operations of their association and that it was their duty to attend.  
The Wilmington Production Credit Association serves Pender, Brunswick and New Hanover Counties and in 1937 made loans totalling over \$100,000.00.

**DEFINES STATUS OF CIVIC CLUB**  
(Continued from Page 1)  
"As to your Civic Club, since it is assuming the burden and carrying out projects and local community matters contained in a Chamber of Commerce program, it is our opinion that it

is fully qualified for being ed among the Chambers Commerce in the State."  
"In fact," he continued, find that we have been carrying the Southport Civic club on list state organizations for time."  
The local club has never a for recognition as any sort of organization. It is there very pleasing to the little of loyal members that it is cepted without question as the state civic organizations that it is also classed just same as a Chamber of merce.  
Several outstanding North lina Chambers of Commerce Christmas greetings to the Club, referring to it as a bro organization. Among these was one from President Mite which led to the inquiry reg the status of the Civic among Chambers of Comm Credit Association serves Pender, Brunswick and New Hanover Counties and in 1937 made loans totalling over \$100,000.00.  
"As Secretary of the Civic wrote Mr. Mitchell, "you are matically a member of the Carolina Association of Commercial Organization Secretar

**666**  
Colds AND Fever  
first day  
HEADACHE  
Sore Throat  
Try "666"  
Best Relief

## Contest Closes

Bring in Your Tickets For CHINAWARE PREMIUMS

BEFORE SATURDAY, JAN. 22

That is Positively The Last Day of The Contest!

**Coast Road Service Station**

SHALLOTTE, N. C.

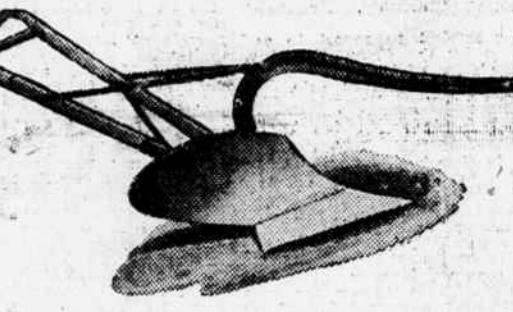
### HAS RAZOR WHICH IS 200 YEARS OLD

One of the prized possessions of D. T. Lawson, keeper of the county home here, is a razor which he claims is over 200 years old. The razor bears the date 1737 on it.  
It was left at the county home with some belongings of a beggar who died on the streets here a few years ago, and was buried at the county home.  
Mr. Lawson avows he's never shaved with the razor, but believes it would do the work. He had some barbers inspect the instrument, and they thought the metal had become a little soft in the two centuries it's been in existence.

All stray chickens, ducks and geese are to be taken into custody and released only on payment of a fine of six cents a bird, according to an order issued by the mayor of a village in the Rhineland.

**DANGEROUS**  
It is dangerous to sell a SUBSTITUTE for 66¢ just to make three or four cents more. Customers are your best assets; lose them and you lose your business. 66¢ is worth three or four times as much as a SUBSTITUTE. (Adv.)

### SEE US FOR... OLIVER CHILLED TURN PLOWS AND PARTS



If you want a guano distributor or planter this season, get it now—and don't buy until you see us.

WE HAVE TOBACCO CANVAS!

**Shalotte Trading Co.**

Hobson Kirby, Prop. SHALLOTTE, N. C.

## A Farmer Knows Mules..

Yes sir, it takes a farmer to really know mules... He's got to work with them the year round, and it's only natural that he should know how to choose a good mule— That is the reason so many farmers buy their mules from SETH SMITH'S STABLES!

OUR STALLS ARE FILLED... YOUNG MULES, ALL BROKE AND READY TO WORK!



**Columbus County's Largest Mule Stables!**

**CASH OR TIME!**

HACKNEY WAGONS—(Both one and Two Horse)

**Seth L. Smith & Co.**  
WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTICE! NOTICE!

### Second Call For Taxes

I will be at the places cited below at the time designated for the purpose of collecting 1937 Taxes. The penalty of 1 percent will be effective after February 1st. Pay before that day and save costs!

Location	Time
Shalotte, January 15-22-29	ALL DAY
Lockwoods Folly, Kirby Store, January 17th	9:30 to 11:30 A. M.
Lockwoods Folly, Varnums Store, January 17th	12 noon to 4:00 P. M.
Roaches Store, January 18th	10:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M.
Village Point Shalotte, Tripps Store, January 18th	2 P. M. to 3 P. M.
Village Point Shalotte, Millikens Store, January 18th	3 P. M. to 5 P. M.
Grissett Town, Parkers Store, January 20th	9:30 to 11:00 A. M.
Thomasboro, January 20th	11:00 A. M. to 12 noon
Hickman's X Roads, Bennetts Store, January 20th	12:15 to 2:30 P. M.
Longwood, Browns Store, January 20th	2:40 to 4:40 P. M.
Ash, Post Office, January 21st	10 A. M. to 12 noon
Freeland, Simmons Store, January 21st	12:30 to 2:15 P. M.
Exum, Bennetts Store, January 21st	3 to 4:30 P. M.
Battle Royal, Mr. D. Y. McGees, January 24th	10 to 11:30 A. M.
H. O. Peterson's Store, January 24th	12 noon to 2:00 P. M.
Leland, Holmes Store, January 24th	2:30 to 4:30 P. M.
Chapel Road, Robbins Store, January 27th	10 to 11 A. M.
Navassa, Lewis Store, January 27th	11:30 A. M. to 2 P. M.
Pines Service Station, January 27th	2:30 to 4:30 P. M.
Winnabow, Henry's Store, January 28th	10 A. M. to 1 P. M.
Bolivia, Willetts Store, January 28th	2 to 4:30 P. M.

**Chas. E. Gause, Tax Collector**