

Little Items of Lively Interest About Folks and

# Flower Gardening

By Mrs. S. R. Harrington

**Thanksgiving Blessings Overflow . . .**  
 "Give Thanks" for this take time. Life's gifts are so numerous—God's goodness and bounty is sublime!  
 The treasures that money cannot buy — God conceives . . . The wonder and beauty of the . . . world  
**ALL THESE, GOD GIVES, MY HEART BELIEVES!**  
 —Neva Taylor Harrington

That day is almost here—Thanksgiving Day! I wish there could be a "World Thanksgiving", so we could have a lasting peace and plenty of food for every living creature. Until then, we can give thanks for, and cherish what we have. For, believe it or not, we are blessed here in AMERICA.

**Gardening: Check perennial plants** as soon as the soil surface has frozen. In case of heaving, add soil or mulch. NEVER try to force a frozen plant back in the ground. If you do you'll break the roots off, and then you really have damage. The additional soil or mulch material will protect the plant roots until they gradually thaw back into place.

Before hard winter sets in check labels on choice things. Make sure they are secure, and the names are legible.

Also for those plants that die down completely, be sure to indicate where they are planted by upright markers, or they could be destroyed in spring by digging.

I have been asked repeatedly about late LAWN mowing. The lawn experts say: DO NOT LET IT GO INTO WINTER OVERGROWN, OR INSECTS AND DISEASE WILL HAVE AN OPEN INVITATION. So, on a mild day (or period) give it

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a smooth mowing, and raking, if needed.

If you planted trees and shrubs this fall of any size, better stake them to prevent blowing over.

Beds, borders, or open uncultivated areas should have humus worked into the soil. Never leave an open place smooth in winter. Rough it up to catch the rain, and to keep it from washing away good soil. In other words, "take the rain in, instead of the rain taking the soil away".

**LEAF RAKING** should continue down to the last leaf. If left on lawns, they cause unsightly dead spots. If left on plants, they smother and cause rotting. Better take a last look around. Don't burn them. Make a compost heap, or plow them into the soil in the vegetable garden.

Clean up the garden, borders and beds for neatness. But more to keep away insects that will winter over and do great damage.

Wait until ground has frozen to apply heavy mulches, or mice will move in, invite moles, and then — what a mess!

Write for the new flower and nursery catalogs. They're advertised in the current garden magazine now.

**Flower Spotlight!** on the spectacular Iris grown by Mr and Mrs. James B. Stribling, Jr.; Asheville Highway. These gorgeous flowers ordinarily bloom in spring, but in October and November until the hard killing frost, the stribling's enjoyed heavy flowering on one variety in particular, in beautiful yellow and burgundy blend. Enthusiastic flower growers here! (The strange thing about this — they were not fall-flowering iris varieties).

At Mrs. J. L. Gillespie's, East Fork Road, a true prize winning Tuberous Begonia. A colossal sized exotic beauty of



From The Broadcaster

## Diners Club New At BHS This Year

If you enter the cafeteria during the first lunch shift, you're apt to hear laughing, groaning, and sometimes mild profanity bellowing from a specific table.

The group responsible for this is the Diner's Club and the sounds usually accompany their so-called meetings.

The club has several unique features. For one, it isn't an official club, it meets daily, and its membership requirements are very strenuous.

In order to be a member one must be a senior, be a member of the Coach L. Deal Memorial Hiking Association, be enrolled in physics, and eat first lunch shift.

The organization has many unusual customs, one of which is the flipping of the sacred nickel to determine the head waiter who will take the trays of other members to the "altar of cleansing."

Officers of the BHS Diner's Club are Bob Melton, High Toastmaster General; Steve Morgan, Low Toastmaster General; and Olin Redmond, Royal Sardar.

three and one half feet in a pot. This begonia put on a real show. At every leaf, a stem grew and produced three blooms. There were thirty three stems, making ninety nine blossoms. Something of a record, I'd say. Mrs. Gillespie, I salute you!

I leave you with this thought: "True thankfulness is true love of God, for His goodness to us."

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

### S/Sgt. Gary T. Clair

## Transylvania Has A New Army Recruiting Sergeant

S/Sgt. Gary T. Clair, a Kentucky-born veteran of Vietnam, is the new Army recruiter for the Brevard Area. He replaces Sgt. Martin who is now working in Hendersonville.

The 30-year old sergeant, who has 11 years of Army service, will work out of the Recruiting Office in the Brevard Post Office Building. He will be here on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Office hours are posted in the post office lobby.

Sgt. Clair entered the Army in July, 1960. He has basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and Infantry Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He is also a graduate of the Airborne Training course at Ft. Bragg.

He has served with the 82nd Airborne Division, the 101st, and the 1st Airborne Cavalry Division. He was with the 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam in 1965-66. Other service experience includes two years at Ft. Wainwright, Alaska, and at the ROTC Instructor Group at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.

Sgt. Clair has been awarded the Parachute Badge, Combat Infantry Badge, Vietnam Service Ribbon, Vietnamese Service Ribbon; the Good Conduct and National Defense ribbons and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Of this, his first duty in the mountains of Western North Carolina, the outdoor hobbyists and sports lover says he is very impressed with the mountain country.

"I spent six years in the Piedmont at Fayetteville," he says, "but it was nothing like this."

Speaking of his recruiting duty, Sgt. Clair says he enjoys the work very much because it involves meeting people.

"And I feel that I'm a benefit to the community in my recruiting capacity," he says. "There is so much a man can learn in the Army—he can be taught many trades useful to the community when he is discharged. I feel I'm helping the community in this way."

Sgt. Clair assumed the recruiting duties in Brevard, Roeman, and Pisgah Forest on October 17th. He expects to be here for a normal tour of three years.



S/SGT. GARY T. CLAIR

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## Ward Breedlove Buried Sunday

Rufus Ward Breedlove, 78, of Brevard, died last Friday afternoon in a Henderson County hospital after a long illness.

He was a native of Transylvania county and a retired farmer and carpenter.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Lona McKinney Breedlove; a sister, Mrs. Annie Galloway of Bidwell, Ohio; a brother, Carl Breedlove of Lake Toxaway; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in Selecka Baptist church, of which he was a member and deacon.

The Revs. Kermit Reece and Tommy Owens officiated. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery in Toxaway.

Pallbearers were Wayne Owens, Tom Rogers, Russell and Lee Eubanks, Claude Galloway and Curtis McCall.

Frank Moody Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Capt. Taylor In Vietnam

Army Doctor (Captain) Robert C. Taylor, 28, son of Mrs. Louise T. Conner, Route 1, Pisgah Forest, recently assumed command of Company C, 326th Medical Battalion, 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile) at Camp Evans, Vietnam.

Dr. Taylor's wife, Diane, lives at 725 Green Hill Drive, Bristol, Va. His father, James C. Taylor, lives on Route 5, Bristol, Tenn.

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**Laugh Corner**  
 A polite motorist, passing through a western village, and wishing to show proper respect for the village ordinances, accosted a street corner policeman. "What is the speed law here, please?"  
 "Ain't got none," replied the cop. "You fellers can't git through here any too fast for us."  
 "Young man: "Have you any good aftershave lotion?"  
 Clerk: "Yes, here's a number that drives the girls crazy. It smells like money."  
 No Love Lost  
 "Comrades," a mythical Russian party boss told his Lenin Day audience, "I have some good news and some bad news. First the bad news. The Chinese have landed on the moon. Now the good news. All of them."

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