Shrubs, Plants **Propagated By Wood Cuttings**

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

Good, strong wood of last summer's growth is best for this purpose. The cuttings may be made in lengths of eight to ten incnes 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.

In burying the bundles of cut-

tings 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.

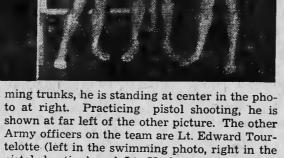
It is necessary that at least one cuttings over winter in bundles they may be planted out in coldor garden rows as soon as they are cut from the plant. Usually, however, the former method gives a higher percentage of rooting.

Although bunch grapes are deen High School and the Univer-

easily propagated by means of hardwood cuttings, this is not true difficult to root in this manner. sired location. Pines. He is a graduate of Aber- ed at any large seed store.



PRACTICING FOR EVENTS-Lt. Daniel I. Allred, Jr., formerly of Aberdeen, is pictured with two other members of the U.S. team to compete in the World Modern Pentathlon Championships at Santiago, Chile, during practice for two of the five athletic events in which each member of the team must be skilled. In swim-



pistol-shooting) and Lt. Harlan Johnson. (U.S.

Army photos made at Frankfurt, Germany).

Lt. Allred In World Championships

seas since last May.

then proceeded to Chile.

Teams of 30 Nations To Compete In Chile; Events Start Dec. 5

A 25-year-old Army officer from the Sandhills, Lt. Daniel I. Allred, Jr., will compete as a member of the United States team good bud is above the surface of Championships which begin Satthe soil. Instead of storing the urday, to run through Wednesday, at Santiago, Chile.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. frames or even directly in nursery Dan Allred of Pinebluff, formerly of Aberdeen, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Huntley of Pinebluff, formerly of Southern

of most varieties of muscadines. new plant may be detached from The Scuppernong is especially the parent and moved to the de-

For these it is better to layer the Dipping the basal end of the vines—that is, to cover a young cutting in rootone powder just be-vine with a shovelful of earth fore planting out in the nursery while it is still attached to the parow or coldframe will often cause rent plant. In one growing season quicker rooting and a better set roots will usually form and the of rocts. Rootone may be obtain-

composed of five athletic eventssteeplechase riding, fencing, pis- in the swimming event. steeplechase riding, lending, pissing telephone after his than 30 nations were expected to Chile. compete at Santiago.

Winners are selected on their relative standing in all five events, with the usual winner not a man who places first in any one event, but one who does well in

Saturday over a 5,000-meter course that includes slides, ditches, water and fallen trees. Each participant draws lots for his workout, takes the steeplechase course alone at five - minute intervals. Since the animal is unknown to the rider before the race, the competitor must use careful judgment not to "override" his mount.

Fencing is scheduled for the second day. The one-touch enee must fence against every other

sity of North Carolina and enlist-contender from all the countries ed in the Army about two and a entered. One touch of an oppon-half years ago and has been overent's weapon and a man is cut.

There are no preliminary or Lieutenant Allred is a member qualifying heats in shooting, of Battery B, 816th Field Artil- swimming or running. Each man lery Battalion, which is a unit of performs only once.

the V Corps stationed in Ger- In the shooting event, 20 shots many. He and two other members are allowed at a man-size target. of the U.S. Pentathlon team, Only once in the history of World all Army men, trained for the unique athletic contest at Frankfurt, Germany. Recently, they be 25 meters from a bobbing tarcame to the United States, stopped and must hit a bullseye just ping at the U. S. Military Acadebelow the heart in the center of my, West Point, N. Y., to pick up the target.

another member of the team and The running event requires to undergo further training. They alert judgment, since the runner must pace himself, running alone on a strange, but marked, 4,000-

The Modern Penathlon is meter course. A 300-meter course is featured

county running. Each member of rents on the telephone, after his the team competes in all the arrival in the United States, but events, calling for well-rounded did not have time to come home athletic ability. Teams from more for a visit before leaving for

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Farmers in North Carolina have put around 951,000 bushels of 1953 crop wheat under the Commodity Credit Corporation's pricell of them.

The riding event will be held Chairman of the State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, reports.

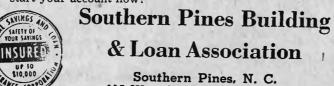
About 943,692 bushels of the horse and, after a 15-minute wheat stored both on farms and amount represents 2,823 loans for in warehouses, and the balance represents wheat covered under purchase agreements. Twelve and one-half per cent of North Carolina's 1953 crop of wheat is under-

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