

## Woman's Observations

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Well, Monday was the first night for Barbara Walters to appear on TV, and here the news breaks about the secretary of agriculture resigning so she was in on a big story the first night. I'm glad to see a woman get a break like she has done, but she didn't do it overnight, you know. There's been many years before this that she has been doing hard work behind the scenes and is now getting full recognition as a person.

You missed a chance to shake hands with our next governor if you missed Saturday night at Madison High. Jim Hunt is a very likeable person and I think he will remember our county when it comes to roads and some improvements. I sat across from a Mr. and Mrs. Wall from Mars Hill who are formerly Alabamians and it was enjoyable talking with them. Did you see in the paper where George Wallace's wife had bugged his office? I understand she was planning to write a book about Alabama politics, but George burned all her tapes! Then I also heard that she was going to run for governor and that he is going to back her. So I guess they must have kissed and made up!

Dot Reeves wanted to know if I had finally got that stove cleaned. To tell the truth, I did get it clean — and now it's about as dirty again. There isn't much future in this house cleaning — you no more than get it done than it is time to start all over again. I really should get into a club of some kind so that I would have to get it clean at least once in a while when people would come to play bridge or some endeavor. I do make up the bed each day and wash the dishes at least every other day and help Shupe take away the garbage — Boy, those receptacles are wonderful. I think of Jim Ledford and secretly thank him for them each time we use them because, I believe it was his idea to get them.

I ran into Mike Metcalf up at Asheville the other day and he plays the piano at Shane's while people are eating their steaks several nights each week. He is also going to Mars Hill College and was telling me that he is majoring in dramatic arts and that his group is about to put on a play and wants all of us to come. Pop and Bill Story came along about that time and Pop offered to substitute at the piano for him some night — I'd stay away that night.

I went over to Cully week before last to see them get their first defeat. Saw the chancellor and his wife, but

they didn't take me up to the the VIP box — They did stop and chat a minute because they were climbing those high steps. They are a nice couple and he's doing a wonderful job heading the college at WCU.

Then Saturday morning, Charles, Sandy, Tom, Ethel, George and I went down to Knoxville to see UT and Clemson play. It was an afternoon game and a beautiful day, and I had on an old pair of Shupe's insulated clothes — but I didn't get too hot. Guess losing all that weight has made me cold natured. Golly, we got up at 6 a.m. and that was really hard after getting used to 8:30 or 9 a.m. each day. But as I slowly awakened, it was rather nice to get out early! How about old Appalachian beating my dear WCU Saturday? Charlotte called and pretended it was a collect call to rub it in!

OBSERVED — Saw Jerry Treadway Sunday for the first time in ages and he looked fine — said Katy was fine and all his children are married except one — I guess it has been 30 years since I had seen him — Can you believe that Christmas is about here? — Halloween just around the corner — Time certainly flies — Hope all those signs about a mild winter are true — I still love the snow, but don't care too much about getting out in it — Stopped at Ingles this morning and Mrs. Buckner was so kind to help me find some things — give her a raise, Mr. Smith — Did you have any chestnuts? — Shupe has been bringing me some from where he works and I have had one off my tree in the yard — Running out of space — Have a good day!!

### Beta Omega Social Held

Beta Omega Sorority of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International recently honored Jack and Kathy Ramsey, Gary and Phyllis Moore, Ted and Judy Revis, all of Marshall, with a covered-dish supper at the Marshall Housing Authority, Skyway Drive.

Members and husbands attending were Deborah Boone, Ruth Deal, Brenda and Lonnie Plemmons, Nancy Allen, Billie Lynn Roberts and Jenny, and Jim Cody.

An omission in last week's newspaper item: Coal Feed and Lumber Co. of Marshall and Three Mountaineers of Asheville were omitted from the list of firms donating door prizes for the North Carolina State Council meeting.



A BAKE SALE will be held by the Mars Hill Lunch Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Saturday in front of Robinson's Four Seasons Shop in Mars Hill. Looking over items needed for the event are Mattie Carver (seated, left) and Thelma Young (right), both members of the club which meets weekdays at noon and is open to anyone over 60. Lending a helping hand are (standing, left to right) Rachel

Morgan, manager of the lunch site; Mary Devries, president of Contempo, an interdenominational Christian mission group which is coordinating the sale, and Peggy Robins, Contempo project chairwoman. Proceeds from the bake sale will be used to finance crafts projects for the lunch club. Contributors of baked goods are welcome and may bring their food to Robinson's by 9:45 a.m.

## French Broad WMU Stork Shower Conference Oct. 14

The annual Leadership Conference of the French Broad Women's Missionary Union will be held on Oct. 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Mars Hill Baptist Church. We urge all of you who have been elected to work as a leader of Mission Friends, Girl's in Action, Acteens, Baptist Young Women and Baptist Women, to attend the conference. If you are the director in your church, please come and urge all of your leaders to come with you.

Representatives from any of our churches that do not have mission organizations, but who are interested in organizing any of these, are urged to come to find out more about the work. Pastors are always welcome. Now WMU work can begin in any church with one officer — a WMU director — working with the pastor. If your church does not have an organization for Baptist Young Women, choose very carefully and prayerfully the key young

woman who can and will lead out in this effort and see that she comes to this meeting.

Please bring your October issue of the magazine used in your organization also, bring "Dimension," and your 1976-77 WMU yearbook, as well as the manual your organization uses.

The following conferences will be held: WMU directors, Baptist women presidents, Mission support chairmen, Mission study chairmen led by Mrs. W. Locke Robinson, Mission action chairmen led by Mrs. Lyndall English and Mrs. Charles Rector, Baptist Young Women led by Miss Doris Chambers, Acteens led by Mrs. Steve Willis, Girls in Action led by Mrs. Kyle Jameson, Mission Friends led by Miss Betsy Clayton.

Come to this important planning meeting and pray with us that we may experience a new sense of our obligation to make Jesus Christ known to the uttermost parts of the world.

### Masons Honor Veterans, Widows Sat.

Members of the local Masonic Lodge will present veterans' awards and will also honor Masonic widows at the lodge here Saturday night following a supper which will be held at 6:30.

### Mallonee To Visit Here

Tom L. Mallonee, 11th Congressional District assistant to Congressman Roy A. Taylor, is now making a scheduled visit to the county seats and other sections of the counties.

On Oct. 14 he will be at the Madison County Courthouse, Marshall from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; at the Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville, from 1 to 2 p.m.; and at the Town Hall, Spruce Pine, from 3 to 4 p.m.

Any person who has plans or official business pertaining to congressional matters is invited to meet with Mallonee at the above-specified times.

Members of the Womens Missionary Union of Madison Seminary Baptist Church entertained at a stork shower Sept. 27 in the church annex honoring Mrs. Leo Allison.

Prizes were won by Mrs. Iverson Bradley and Mrs. Allison and Mrs. Ebb Crowe won the door prize.

Approximately 25 guests attended.

### Births

To Mr. and Mrs. David Cassada of Marshall a daughter Sept. 29 in Memorial Mission Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Claude Harvey Bullman of Route 5, Marshall, a son, Jonathan Harvey, Sept. 6 in Memorial Mission Hospital.

### Personal Mention

Mrs. Carl Bryan of Marshall, Mrs. Edna Scoggans and Mrs. Joyce McCall of Asheville, have returned from a trip to Colorado where they visited Mrs. Scoggans' sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mannings, and Mrs. Bryan's son, Jimmy, and family, in Boulder, Colo.

Mrs. Edna Cook and Mrs. Stobie Barker of Warren, Ohio, spent the past two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Craine in Candler, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rector and other friends and relatives in Marshall. They also visited their mother, Mrs. Amy Rector in McCracken Rest Home in Waynesville.

Mrs. Frank H. Rynnion of Marshall, and Mrs. Dawn Edwards of Weaverville, spent several days last week in Greensboro where they visited Mrs. Rynnion's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lloyd, and family.

### INSERVICE

Army Pvt. William D. Penland, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Penland Jr., Route 2, Dula Springs, Weaverville, recently completed seven weeks of advanced individual training at Ft. Benning, Ga.

The training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, landmine warfare, field communications and combat operations. This qualified him as a light weapons infantryman and as an indirect fire crewman.

He was taught to perform any of the duties in a rifle or mortar squad.

# Fall Gardening Time To Plant Evergreens

Time to plant evergreens: Fall is a good time to plant and transplant evergreen trees and shrubs. The season extends through winter months. Evergreens are very important around the home. When combined with plants that shed their leaves in autumn (deciduous), evergreens offer home owners various means of original landscape compositions. The contrast of year-round greenery with seasonal change of deciduous plants adds a natural appearance to the landscape. In selecting evergreens, be certain to allow space for maturity. A common mistake is in placing a large- or fast-growing evergreen in a position where there is not enough room for full height and spread. It is well to learn the eventual size of your evergreen. Example: Beneath a window which is 4 feet from the ground, never plant a shrub that grows to 10-12 feet in height.

Putting the garden to bed for winter: October is an excellent month in which to attack the many insect and disease problems that could cause trouble next year. Give your garden a thorough clean-up now. Pull out all annuals that have completed their life-cycle and have gone to seed. Cut away tops of all perennials. Remove debris from beneath all plants, including shrubs. If you dig and divide perennials, carefully clean them to remove all dead leaves; as well as bruised, broken, injured or diseased stems.

Storing bulbs: Five common flower garden plants — dahlia, canna, caladium, gladiolus and tuberous begonia — do not overwinter in most areas of North Carolina. To save the plants, lift roots, tubers or corms of these about the time of our first killing frost. They

may be dug just after foliage dries. Dig deep enough so that part of the plant will not be snapped off when lifted out of the soil. Leave soil around dahlia tubers, canna and caladium roots. Store in a garage or other building until soil dries and falls away from plant parts. Shake soil off roots and tubers, and cut away dried stem. Discard immediately any plant parts that show soft spots or disease.

Place tubers and roots in old sawdust or peat moss in a flat box or plastic bag with holes for ventilation. Store in a dry, cool place such as a basement. Do not store on back porch or in garage. These plants cannot withstand freezing. Also, store them away from danger of being eaten by rats, squirrels and other animals.

When the first frost arrives most gardeners still have a large number of tomatoes on their plants. Ask around and you'll get any number of suggestions about how to keep these fruits well into the winter. Suggestions will vary from pulling the plants and hanging them upside down in the basement to wrapping the fruit individually with paper.

The truth is that most of these suggestions work. More importantly, hold only those fruits that are free from disease and insects and watch especially around the base of the stem. Fruit worms often burrow into the fruit at that point. Grade the fruit according to degree of ripeness. Those fruits that are red ripe now obviously will not hold too long. Don't pack fruit too deep in a container. The fruits on the bottom are likely to be bruised. The best idea is to lay fruits out in a single layer on a flat surface. Check the fruit periodically to evaluate their degree or soundness.

Speaking of the first frost,

keeping a cool head may well extend the garden much longer into the winter. Most often the first frost of fall comes in association with a moving weather system and will probably not produce from more than one or possibly two successive nights. The period following may be as much as two to four weeks with relatively mild growing weather.

What this means is that if you can cover some of the vegetables for one or two nights the growing period may be extended two to four weeks. Of course, a lot depends on how the first cold spell arrives. If a hard freeze is predicted obviously our little scheme doesn't work. At this point science stops and art takes over.

The greatest danger in the planting of bulbs is poor drainage. Use raised beds if water does not drain away readily.

Old rhubarb roots that have run out may be rejuvenated by dividing the crowns into four pieces. These pieces should be replanted at once and fertilized.

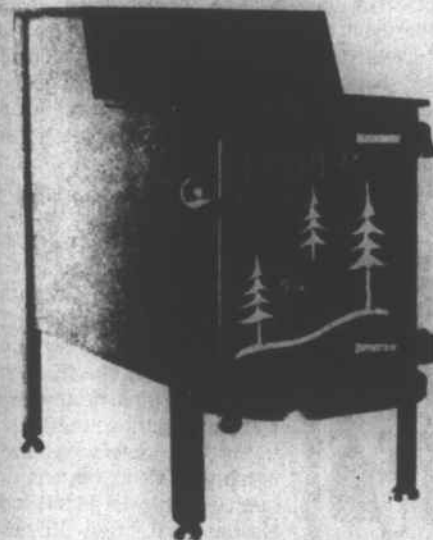
Store squashes and pumpkins on racks suspended from the top of the cellar or in a heated room. They like a temperature of about 50 degrees.

Remove the seed heads of sunflowers before they are fully ripe and spread in a dry, airy place to cure for about two weeks before removing the seeds.

Autumn-planted fruit and ornamental trees should be staked and mounded with soil to prevent wind-whipping during the winter.

Store apples in a cellar with a temperature not much above freezing. Leave the cellar windows open at night and close them in the morning, if possible, until freezing weather comes.

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