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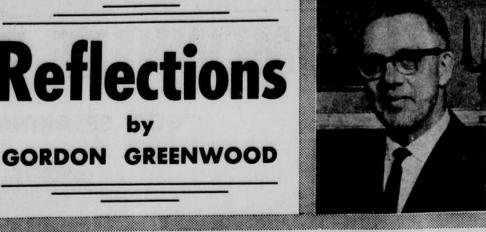
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Reflections



Many times while growing

Imagine my surprise when few years later I learned that the official name for this elusive plant was not 'Sing" but Ginseng.

Even during the days when we searched the hills for this plant which sold extremely high on the root and herb market in Asheville, it was hard to find. In fact you had hind the tallest peaks to find made on this stage last night of the finest. On this seven- grandchildren. The body recould climb a mountain was congress. "Some of the ed to express my apprecia- Hawkins Funeral Home until out looking in those days. Mr. Ager To Rescue

Any good mountaineer knows what "sing" is but last week J. W. Ager sent me the following article from the National Observer which tells

the complete story: whose name suggests exotic publisher, editor, etc. of the Penn Hunter far-away places. Strangely enough, the plant is a native ped to the Orient. Ginseng pleased with your arrival office after we took over was (panax, meaning panacea) has always been held to be ical men here. But it is esteemed in the Orient. It is still collected here in the wild; however there are sizable plantings under cultiva-

Apparently some of our early settlers had an appreciation for it. William Byrd (1674-1744) wrote: "It cheers the heart even of a man that has a bad wife_'Tis friendly to the lungs, much more than scolding itself it will make a man live a great while, and

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very well while he does live." Letter Appreciated

I've walked mile after mile busy schedule in Washington years, the Black Mountain ens, 75, of Marion, Rt. 2, who through the woods looking to write following the article News has been a means of died Saturday in Marion for what we called "Sing." Congressman Roy A. Tay- Valley.

College.

and Lee Whitaker, now an ex- ject. He predicted correctly.

The letter follows: Dear Gordon: I noticed that it was seventeen years ago last week that

Ginseng is a medical plant you became owner, operator, Mountain News could be a bigger smile.

made to mean to Black Moun- club will take part in. tain and to the Swannanoa OBITUARY

last week on our 17th anni- making us better understand General hospital were held at versary in Black Mountain. and better appreciate our Marion Baptist Church. The Roy, who is making an outhome community, its aspir-Rev. W. C. Keller officiated. standing record in Congress, ations, and its accomplishwas a debater and athlete of ments. It has supported and tery. Surviving are the widmuch promise at Biltmore unified our people behind ow, Mrs. Fannie Earley Stev-College. every worthwhile cause and ens; three sons, Kiplin of Following speeches by Roy community development pro- Charlotte, Ogle of the U. S.

tling Company, the dean of weekly newspapers in my Rt. 1; three brothers, Clayton the college S. B. Conley, said Congressional district. The of Rt. 3, Roy, and Alden of that "some of the speeches Black Mountain News is one Old Fort, Rt. 2; and eight were equal to those made in teenth anniversary, I want- mained voices heard here may be tion for the News and the taken to the Church to lie in heard some day in the Con- outstanding service it has State 30 minutes before sergress of the United States." rendered to the Swannanoa erly of Old Fort. Valley.

Sincerely, Roy A. Taylor, Member Congress 11th District North Carolina.

Black Mountain News. I Seventeen years ago one of was then practicing law in the first people to come Black Mountain, and was through the door of the News since we had attended col- L. Penn Hunter, Black Mounlege together at Asheville- tain florist, now postmaster Biltmore. But I did not at Marion. Penn brought a

BERTHA GREENE Phone 668-7752 Old Fort, N. C.

spent their week's vacation in New Mexico. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Silver's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blan-

Mr. and Mrs. McArthur and two children, Charles and Brenda from Chadbourne, from Old Fort who attended spent last week end with Mrs. the big p McArthur's mother, Mrs. Nora Thursday.

and Mrs. Thomas Allison.

the big parade in Marion last Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steppe

Earl Silver of Canton spent spent several days last week last Monday with his mother, with their aunt, Mrs. Omie Mrs. Omie Silver on Curtis Silver on Curtis Creek. reek. The Old Fort Wash Pot Miss Loretta Allison of caught on fire last Tuesday reensboro spent last week morning. The fire was ex-

Greensboro spent last week morning. The fire was ex-end with her parents, Mr. tinguished by the Volunteer Fire Department of Old Fort. building was damaged only by water and smoke. It owned by James David

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tate at Marion General hospital, Oct 11; he weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Whis-Mr. and Mrs. Bert Whisnant of Winston-Salem spent
last week end with Mr. and
Mrs. Fred M. Bradley. They
went on the mountain to see
the beautiful colors while
they are at their peak.
Mr. and Mrs. Denver Len-

non of Lumberton spent last week end with Bill Hogan and Lloyd Miller. They served in the Navy in World War II in the Pacific. While here they went to Mt. Mitchell and through the Smokies. This was their first trip to the Mountains.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pack of Rt. 1, Old Fort at Marion General hospital, 0ct. 8. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Parker at Marion General hospital, Oct. 7.

Mrs. Clarence Parker of Rt. 2, entered Marion General hospital last Tuesday for treatment.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jackson, Oct. 7, at Marion General hospital. Earl Morris entered Memorial Mission hospital last Monday for treatment. J. D. Roland entered Marion General hospital last Wed-

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sameul Ernest Young, Rt. 2, Old Fort, Oct. 3, at Joseph's hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Alli-

son and daughter of Charlotte spent last week with his aunt,



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H. D. Club Meets

The Bethlehen Home Demonstration Club met Oct.
10, at 10 o'clock at Mrs. Hugh Guffey's home for a Textile Guffey's home for a Textile Paint Workshop, with the regular meeting in the afternoon. Many lovely items were painted which will be displayed for Achievement Night at Old Fort School on October 29. Nine ladies and five children were present for the workshop. Plans were made for our part at Achievemade for our part at Achievement Night and for Christmas Holiday House which each Francis Stevens

Burial was at Zion Hill Ceme-Air Force, and Lindberg of Houston, Texas; a daughter, ecutive with an Asheville Bot- I take and read nineteen Mrs. Paul Morgan of Marion,

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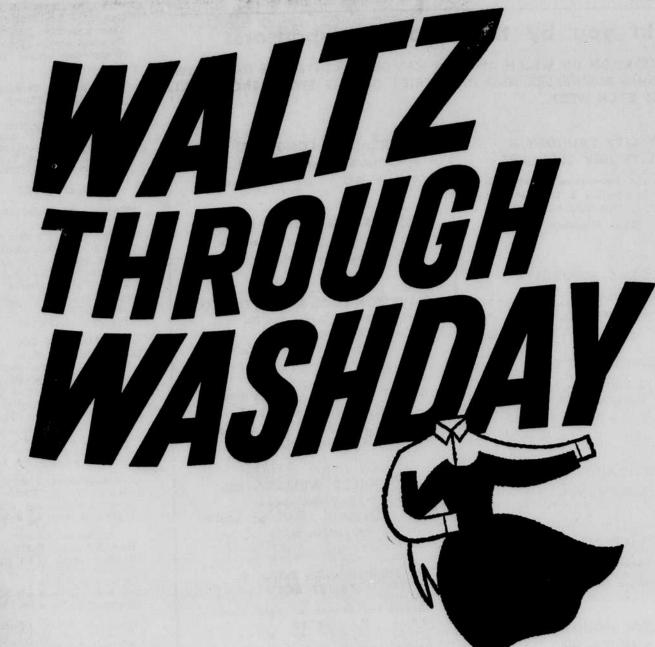
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