



WILL SING HERE THURSDAY—Mount Olive Junior College glee club, under the direction of Professor of Music Eugene Mauney, shown at right, will present a program of songs and music at Ruth's Chapel FWB church here Thursday evening, April 17. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mulching Proposed as Way to Hold Moisture and Control Weed Growth

There's something new in the way of controlling weeds and conserving moisture. However, it incorporates an old principle—mulching.

Albert Banadyga, horticulture specialist for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, says that many materials, including sawdust, straw, grass clippings and shredded

newspapers, have been used with varying degrees of success. A new material—which seems to be quite effective—is polyethylene film.

This black plastic, first tried at the Kentucky State Experiment Station, was tested on vegetable plots grown last year at the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Beltsville, Md., Research Center. It con-

trolled virtually all weeds except nutgrass, which has sharp pointed leaves able to pierce the film.

In addition, stated Banadyga, the crops mulched with polyethylene during the dry 1957 season grew faster and larger and yielded more than similar plants grown without mulch.

Banadyga reminded the home gardener that the soil should be fertilized and thoroughly worked into a friable condition before it is covered with film and the plants set in place.

If additional plant food is needed later, fertilizer in solution can be poured into the opening around each plant, through holes punched in the film, or along the edges of the covered plant bed—where it will soak in as rain does when it falls on the film.

As a means of saving labor in home gardening—as well as increasing the yields—look into the possibility of using this newly developed film as an aid to vegetable production.

Same Birthday As Abe Unforgiveable

After all these years, Mrs. Mamio Hall, a beloved member of New Bern's First Baptist church, still chuckles over the way her grandmother reacted when she was born on Lincoln's birthday.

"I don't believe she ever forgave me," says Mrs. Hall. That, of course, stemmed from the fact that the grandmother referred to was an unreconstructed rebel who had no use for Abe or anyone else above the Mason-Dixon line.

As far as she was concerned the War Between the States never really ended. Blue, because the Union soldiers were uniformed in the color, remained distasteful to her.

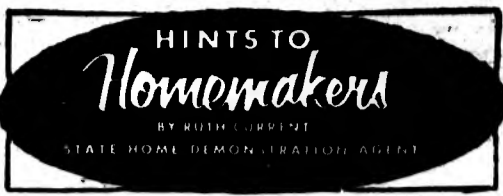
Not only was Mrs. Hall born on Lincoln's birthday, but even ar-

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BREADS AND SPREADS—Bread and butter on the table at every meal. That's the rule for active people—especially for hard workers and lively children. They need bread in addition to other foods to fill energy needs. Sit-down workers should not eat bread in preference to fruit and vegetables, meats, eggs and milk. Overweights should budget their calories from bread or crackers. Instead, choose enriched bread, serve dark breads, make cereal breads—for the health of your family. Nutritionists recommend it.

MAKING THE BREAD COUNT—Make a plain meal tempting by toasting the bread or rolls, and serving with jam or jelly.

Serve raisin toast, cinnamon toast, toasted English muffins often.

Fresh hot muffins or biscuits

make a slim meal seem bountiful. For muffins, doughnuts, or coffee cake past their first freshness, just heat in a double boiler—good as new!

BREADS IN OTHER ROLES—Use dry bread for a custard bread pudding and add coconut for a deluxe flavor. Or, unsweetened chocolate (heating it in the milk) is quite good.

Fresh, hot coffee cakes, cinnamon buns, or butterscotch rolls make a delicious dessert, served with hot coffee, tea, or milk.

Stuff rolls with a salad mixture for luncheon. Serve hot dogs, toasted luncheon sandwiches.

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