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The sultriness of August we would rather not remember, as anxiously we wait to greet another bright September...September, with its hint of fall and harvest moon, gold shining; its inner melancholy that sets hearts to quietly pining.

There's a sorta crispy feeling in the cooling autumn air, there's a bit of romance stealing all around you everywhere The fields are ripe for reaping, and soon fruit and promises grain will be safely stored for winter, against the snow and rain.

We've never seen an August yet that one could view with pleasure, mosquito bites and prickly heat aren't souvenirs to treasure. And though Dan Cupid does his best to keep his arrows true, a kiss is less convincing when you're steaming like a stew.

Proposals aren't attractive, if they're cloaked in perspiration, it takes a night that's airy to get real appreciation...And so we write these simple lines in praise of sweet September, when Nature lends a helping hand to Love's faint glowing ember.

The stars takes on new meaning, and the moon adds kilowatts, old timers dream of Memory Lane, and lost forget-me-nots...While youth, too young for memories, loves unmindful of the past; kids squander their romancing, little knowing it won't last.

Though some of us have seen our day, at least we can remember, so goodbye, sultry August, it is high time for September.

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Yesterday was when almost nobody in New Bern fished with a rod and reel. Cane poles dominated the scene, and instead of shrimp or artificial bait, a can of worms was what you counted on for a good catch.

Little did we know that, aside from appealing to the finny tribe, earthworms are nature's plowmen. An acre of garden holds an estimated 53,000 squirmers, and 10 tons of soil pass through their bodies each year.

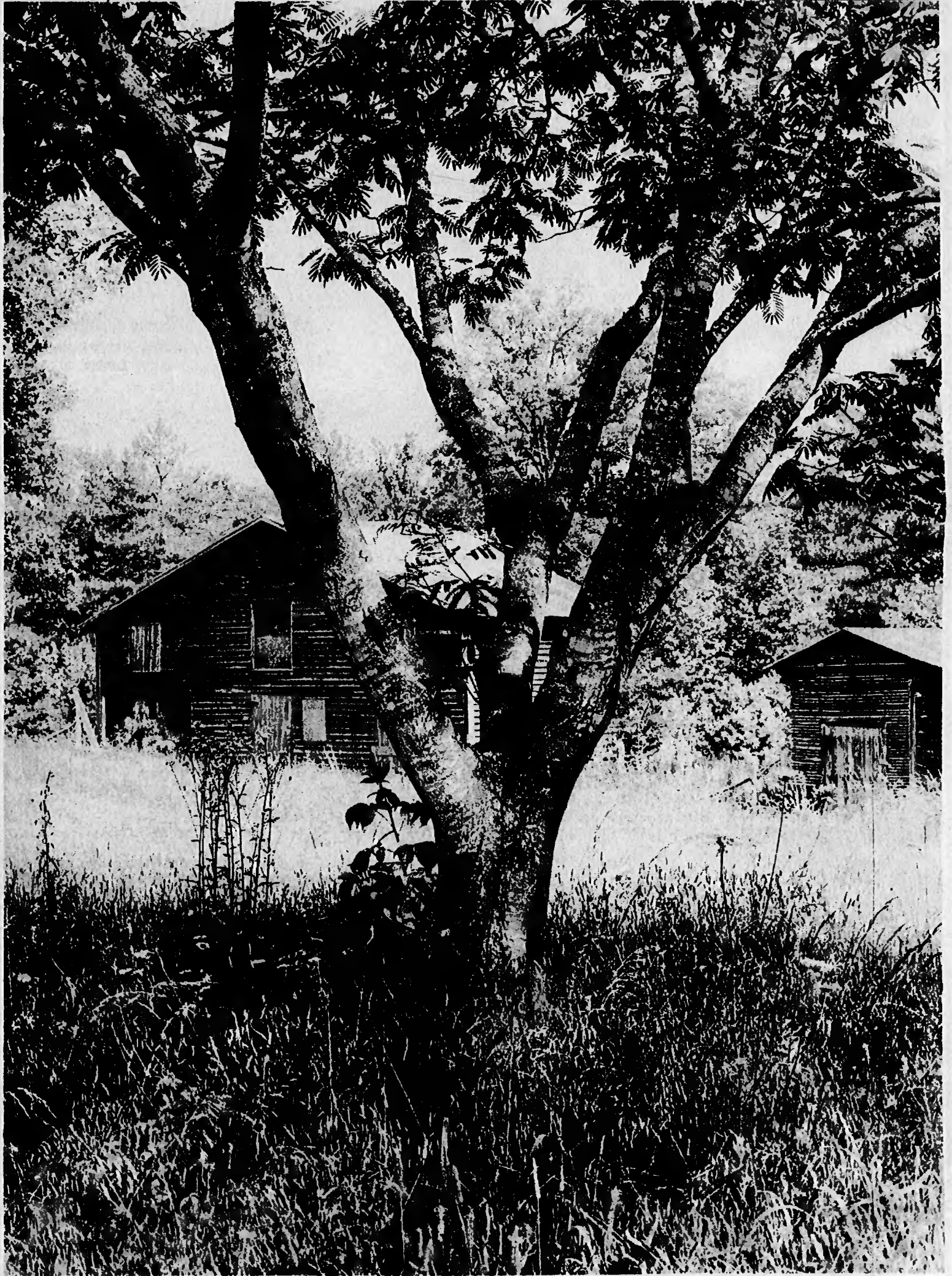
Just to gaze at and feel of an earthworm, you'd swear it is as slick as a bald head, but they are covered with tiny bristle that are a big help when they crawl and burrow.

If you've never been able to figure out which end of him is what, you can stop wondering. Furrows divide his body into rings. The ones in front are larger than those in the middle, and those behind are flatter.

You're wrong if you think earthworms are very simply constructed. They have digestive organs, including a crop and a gizzard, and they have a circulation system and a nervous system.

What's more, each of its 92 body rings has a tiny pair of kidneys. The center of its nervous system, serving as its brain is very small, but sense cells on the surface of its body enables it to recognize sounds

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