Chowan's Farmers

Large Percentage Are **Now Dusting Cotton** Regularly

year," says County Agent C. W. Ov-

Based upon personal contacts, it ap-Where as many as three applications to 8 per cent, and is mostly 2 to 3 per had to be done in a hurry. cent.

of 20 per cent Toxaphene every seven days.

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MACKENZIE

One day upon Golgotha, Three men died; A thief-the Christ-a thief Were crucified.

A cross of hope for one Hope not too late; His fellow died upon A cross of hate.

Between these two all space Were not more wide; Between them, and for both, Christ Jesus died.

If there is one story in the Bible that stands as mute refutation to all the vain, foolish theories of sinful men, it is the story of the thief on the cross, who repented and placed his faith in Christ. Notice three things about his salvation:

1. It was entirely apart from the organized church. That thief had never been baptized, he had never at-

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tended Sunday School, he had never learned the catechism, any catechism, his name adorned no church roll-but he was saved! Just so, all these things, though good in themselves, will never save a single soul, and he who trusts in them is surely lost.

2. It was instantaneous and complete. There is no such thing in the Bible as gradually becoming a Christian; when God saves a lost soul He does it on the double quick. D. L. Moody tells of a man who decided he "Most of the Chowan County cot- would gradually become a Christian. ton growers have determined not to His plan was to cease beating his share crops with the boll weevil this wife every night, as had been his custom, and beat her every other night instead. Then, after a few months, he planned to cut it down to two beatpears that a very large per cent of the larger growers are dusting their cot- and so on. But his wife died before ton regularly and perhaps most of the he had a chance to finish his gradual small growers are doing likewise. conversion to Christianity. How foolish! That poor thief had no time to of Toxaphene have been applied the bother with a gradual salvation; if boll weevil count is not exceeding 5 anything was to be done for him it

Furthermore, he was completely No boll worm damage has been ob- saved, as it is written, "The blood of served up to this time. Growers are Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin." still being advised to apply ten pounds That thief wasn't one-half saved, he wasn't three-quarters saved, but he was made "every whit whole." All nesday Evening Bible Class meets at his sins were forgiven him. If there was ever a fit candidate for purgatory it was this thief, but Jesus said to him, "Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

> 3. It was by faith in Jesus Christ, apart from so called "good works." That thief had no time to store up works of righteousness; he had been a thief all his life, and was soon to pass on to reap the reward of his evil deeds. Yet he was saved, and that by a simple act of faith in the divine Son of God. Now this does not mean that Bible believing Protestant Christians are opposed to good works, as some slanderously delight to report. It does mean that true Christian living is the natural outgrowth of saving faith in Christ, and does not precede it. A living faith will result in works, but it is the faith, not the works, that saves (see John 3: 16; Ephesians 2: 8: Acts 16: 31).

> Reader, where is the ground of your hope of eternal salvation? In a

church? In your so-called good deeds? Specialist In Poultry Learn from the thief on the cross that there is but one way to heaven, and that is through Jesus Christ. man cometh unto the Father," He said, "but by me." And again, "I am the door, by me if any man enter in he shall be saved" (John 14: 6; John 10: visited several of the 4-H Club mem-9). As Paul put it, "There is one bers who have pullet projects and also God, and one mediator between God laying flock projects Wednesday of and men, the man Christ Jesus (I last week. Most of the pullet pro-Timothy 2: 5).

There is a fountain filled with blood, Drawn from Immanuel's veins; And sinners plunged beneath that

flood Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day; And there may we, though vile as Wash all our sins away.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Services at the First Christian Church have been announced as fol lows by the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Alexander:

Bible School, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock; morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Wed-7:30 o'clock. Everyone is welcome to young people's meeting at 6:30 P. M.; all services.

What?

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which is seeded with a crop to furnish grazing.

members the importance of furnishing "Old Baldy" last summer. their pullets with plenty of fresh water during the hot weather. Growing pullets as well as laying hens should be provided with lots of fresh water and good shade during the summer months. A range shelter for growing stock is a wise investment. If at all possible the range shelter should be ocated in a fairly large grazing area so that it can be mowed often enough to prevent the birds from completely killing the grazing crop.

TRY A HERALD CLASSIFIED AD

Private Van M. Small Stationed In Korea

Pvt. Van M. Small, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shack Small, Route 2, Edenton recently joined the 2d Infantry Division in Korea.

Small entered the Army in October 1952, and received basic training at

Fort Lee, Va. He formerly attended Edenton High

School. The 2d "Indianhead" Infantry Division is most noted for the capture of "Heartbreak Ridge" in October, Mr. Morris impressed on the club 1951, and for dislodging the Reds from

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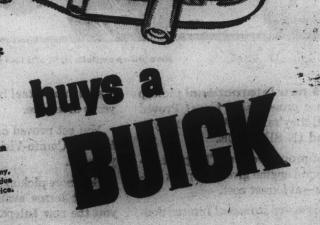
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