

## HOME FOR THE SUMMER

By JOHN D. MCCREARY

June arrives soon, and young people home from college. How proud of them their relatives are! How interested in their achievement and all that concerns them!

But they have a strange way sometimes of showing this.

Jack Matthews had just returned from a great university. He had seen world war heroes honored at huge convocations, and heard distinguished men—Albert Einstein and others—speak at their specialties. He had attended suppers of the "Cosmopolitan Club," at which students from thirty to forty nations were present (one night he sat between a man from Chile and a woman from Iceland), and swapped ideas with them. He had listened to the cadet choir from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point as they sang in the University chapel, and had gone on trips with the university glee club. He had seen and heard much that he felt might be of some interest to his numerous relatives back home. As he traveled the seven hundred miles to his home, he looked forward to telling them about some of these things.

But he never had the chance. Outside his immediate family, his kinsmen never inquired about his college course. The only question they ever asked was a general one pertaining to his vacation: "Be here all summer?"

Jack took the matter philosophically. After all, his relatives had a right to be wrapped up in their immediate families and what they had been doing. A fellow had to be realistic in this world. And yet...

One day, toward the end of the summer, Jack received a letter. The Anderson Browns, of his mother's generations, and old friends

### Food Conservation And Home Gardens Stretch Food Dollar

At this time of year when you are planting that Spring garden, remember that you'll be making your food dollar go a lot farther at the same time. One of the emphases in Home Demonstration Club work in North Carolina is toward better money management and this is one way you can improve your money management.

Mrs. Stewart Shuford, Caldwell County home demonstration club member, and one of the winners in the Home Demonstration Leadership Awards program says "I'm sure everyone is interested in making the food dollar go just as far as possible and if you're willing to swap some of your spare time for money spent at the grocery store, then gardening is worth trying."

"It doesn't take a large piece of ground to grow a few vegetables. They can be put right in your flower garden. The cost would be only about three to five dollars above the cost of growing flowers and it doesn't take many heads of lettuce and broccoli or pounds of tomatoes to repay that amount."

"My family enjoys gardening and we are fortunate to have a large one. We like to try new and different vegetables. Last year we raised 25 varieties. This helped us have a more varied, well-balanced diet, and reduced our expenses for food to a very small amount. And we have the advantage of using the vegetables right at the peak of their freshness for eating and conserving instead of taking what we can get at the grocery store."

of hers, were inviting him and his brother Stewart to motor to their country home, in another county, to supper. Two attractive girls, nieces of the hostess would be included in the party.

As the brothers drove past beautiful pastures and woodlands to their destination, they talked of the scenery, the Browns, and the girls. Mrs. Brown, generally known as "Miss Katie" had the reputation of being a very lovely person, whose crowning glory was her self-forgetfulness.

Supper at the old country home of the Browns was delightful in every way. Genial Mr. Brown and his gracious wife were the perfect host and hostess; the food was delicious; the girls as pretty as ever. And when the meal ended, and the guests were invited out on the porch in the gathering dusk, the katydids and crickets by their gentle even-song made the twilight sweeter.

Then came the unexpected incident of the summer—though there was nothing really surprising about it. Jack thought, as he looked back afterwards,

"Come over here and sit by me," said Mrs. Brown, as she seated herself on the divan. "Now tell me what you've been doing at that great university you've been attending. I know you've had a wonderful time, and I want to hear all about it."

Jack could not comply at once. He had first to unlock his heart.

"Miss Katie," he said, "you are the only person who has ever asked me about that. Now I understand why you are loved so devotedly by all who know you. It's because you, in a marvelous way, enter into other people's lives—you really care."

"My home demonstration club work has helped us greatly in finding the best varieties of vegetables for eating, canning, and freezing. It has also taught us correct, tested methods of doing this. The service is available to anyone just for the asking."

"To us, gardening is very rewarding; because it pays big dividends in delicious, healthy meals all year long at very little expense."

So why don't you take a few afternoons to plant you a home garden that will help you stretch your food dollar?

### Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MACKENZIE

Perhaps it is out of place here, but I feel compelled to write a few lines of appreciation for the work of two of our high school teachers who will be leaving us this year: Miss Williams and Mr. Brooks. I am in a position, as pastor of a church made up largely of young people, to understand their wholesome influence, and I thank God continually for it.

One does not need to great a memory to realize how much Miss Williams has meant to the band. She imparted to its members an esprit de corps, and reasoned discipline. For the past few years the band has acquitted itself as well as the football team on the field, which is saying a lot. Further, both she and Mrs. Browning have done wonders in teaching music. I am continually amazed at the knowledge our local young 'uns possess of what we snobs call "good music." Miss Williams will be sorely missed by the young people of Edenton and we may only hope her suc-

## ABUNDANT LIFE



by ORAL ROBERTS

### YOU CAN HAVE MORE THAN "ENOUGH"

The prodigal son sat dejectedly on the hog-pen fence. He looked at his miserable and degrading surroundings. Then in quick panorama, his mind wandered back over the past... to the home he had left; the good friends that he had; a wonderful, generous father; tasty food; nice clothes and a comfortable bed.

He looked again at the holes in his shoes, his dirty, ragged clothes, felt the surge of desperate hunger grab his stomach.

Then, slowly and deliberately, he said these words aloud: "I've been a fool! In my father's house there is food enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger. I'm going back home." And he did!

Another young man was there also—his brother. But when the rejoicing began over the prodigal's return, the elder brother turned purple with rage. He stamped his feet and confronted his father with these words: "You've treated me as dirty as a man can be treated."

"I've never disobeyed you. I've always been honorable and at no time have I ever brought shame upon you. Yet, you've never given me even a little old goat (a kid) to make merry with my friends."

"Now when this rascal who has shamed you comes rambling back home, you even kill the fatted calf for him. I think it's a low-down way to do, and you can't make it right with me!"

But listen to this good father, "Son, all these years you've been with me. And you could have had a party with your friends at any time. But you

cessor will be capable enough to fill her shoes, and carry on where she has left off.

Mr. Brooks has been here somewhat longer than Miss Williams, and he, too, has found his way into the hearts of his pupils. He is a teacher who looks upon his profession as not just a way to kill time and make a living, but an opportunity to build young lives and influence them for the best. I know of several young boys and girls in our community who will be better men and women because Mr. Brooks was able to gain their respect, and used that respect to point them to the right. It is an indication of how deeply he is loved and respected by the young people of Edenton that on several occasions some teenage boy or another has said to me, "Mr. Brooks gave me a paddling today." Then smiling, the boy would tell me just

wouldn't let me be the kind of father that I wanted to be. In your own mind, you've made me a hard master, and you wouldn't be a son! You have tried to be a slave!

"But look, Son! All that I have is mine!... and has been all these years. If at any moment you want anything of mine, whatever it is, it's yours for the asking."

In this twentieth century, that paradox still exists. God wants to be very good to us. He wants us to have the best. He has enough and "to spare." He not only desires that we have just enough to get by, but there is the surplus (more than we need) available for the asking.

The greatest surprise that some people will ever have when they get to heaven will be this: They have lived so poorly in the good things of life (spiritually, financially, mentally and physically), when they could have been so rich with enough and to spare!

How do we come into possession of these promises? How do they become substance rather than promise?

I would suggest to you that you begin thinking about the fact that you are a son of God. Let that fact grow and become large to you. Then suddenly you will begin to look for these promises to be kept. You become aware that they are yours by natural right since your own Father has said it.

There is a surplus of good things for you. God has "more than enough." And these are his words. "All that I have is mine."

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## Final Report Made On 1958 "Reserve"

Final report on the 1958 Soil Bank Acreage Reserve Program shows that 434,100 acres will be removed from production of allotment crops this year.

E. W. Avent, of the State ASC office, says this participation more than meets all goals established for this state and will go a long way toward alleviating surpluses of the commodities involved.

The total acreage "reserved" under the program for 1958 is made up of 195,000 acres of cotton, 115,700 acres of corn, 85,200 acres of wheat, and 37,300 acres of tobacco.

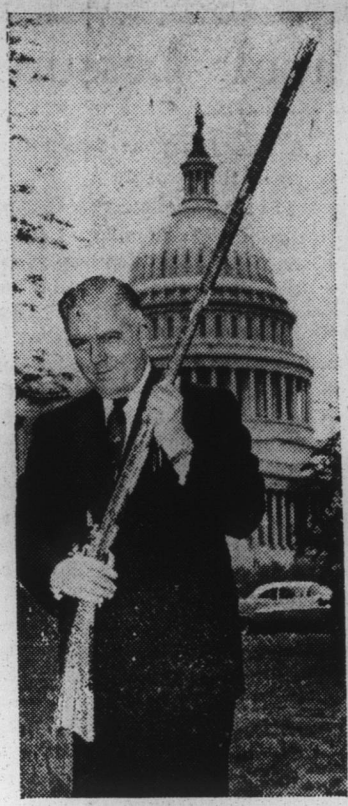
Avent called attention to the fact that one of the primary objectives of this Soil Bank Program is to assist farmers in reducing their production of surplus basic commodities.

Using average per-acre production that prevailed in the state last year, he estimated that surplus stockpiles will be reduced by the following amounts through Soil Bank participation: Tobacco, 55.7 million pounds; cotton, 127,300 bales; corn, 3.7 million bushels; and wheat, 1.6 million bushels.

Other primary objectives of this program: To encourage additional conservation of agricultural resources and to maintain the farmers' net income at a low point compared to operating costs. Payments that will be made to farmers in this state to cover the net loss they would otherwise realize from these reduced plantings will be in excess of \$30 million with \$13.5 million to be paid out to participating cotton farmers, \$9.6 million to tobacco farmers, \$4.4 million to corn farmers, \$2.2 million to wheat farmers. The balance of \$400,000 will be paid out under the other phase of the Soil Bank Program—the Conservation Reserve.

According to Avent, these Soil Bank payments will be made by ASC county offices beginning May 15 on wheat and as soon after as possible on other commodities. Farmers will be notified by mail when they are to visit the local ASC office and pick up their Soil Bank payment.

Philanthropy is loving, ameliorative, revolutionary; it wakens lofty desires, new possibilities, achievements and energies. —Mary Baker Eddy.



FLYNT'S FLINTLOCK—Well-armed with a reproduction of a 1795 flintlock rifle, Rep. John J. Flynt Jr. (D-Ga.), stands in inspection against a background of the Capitol in Washington. Flynt, from Griffin, Ga., received the muzzle-loader, 62 inches long, from the National Rifle Association of America.

### COMPLETES COURSE

First Lieut. Sheldon M. Emerson, 29, whose wife, Irene, lives at 217 E. Queen Street, Edenton,

recently completed the 16-week food service supervisor course at the Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va.

Lieutenant Emerson was trained to plan menus and to supervise the preparation and serving

of food in field and garrison kitchens. The lieutenant entered the Army in March, 1946.

New ideas can be good or bad, just the same as old ones. —Franklin D. Roosevelt.

## TO THE CITIZENS OF CHOWAN COUNTY



I am a candidate for election to the office of Clerk of the Superior Court of Chowan County in the Democratic Primary on May 31, 1958.

As you know, I have served you as Deputy and Assistant Clerk of the Superior Court for the past 10 years, and in this capacity have become thoroughly familiar with all the many and complex duties and responsibilities of this office. If elected, I shall continue to have the interest of our entire county at heart and shall endeavor to serve you efficiently, honestly and courteously, as has been the policy of this office for many years past.

Due to the duties of my office as Assistant Clerk of the Superior Court and expediting the people of our County personally will be denied me. However, my solemn pledge to you is, that if you see fit to elect me to this office, I shall continue to serve you in the same manner that is now, and has been, the policy of this office.

Your favorable consideration and support will be appreciated.

Respectfully yours,

Lena M. Leary

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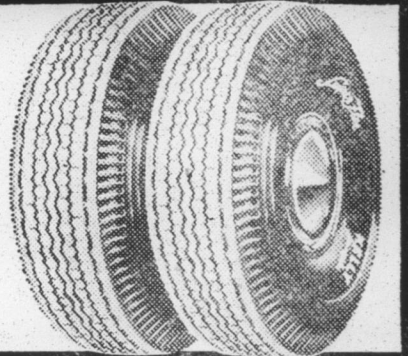
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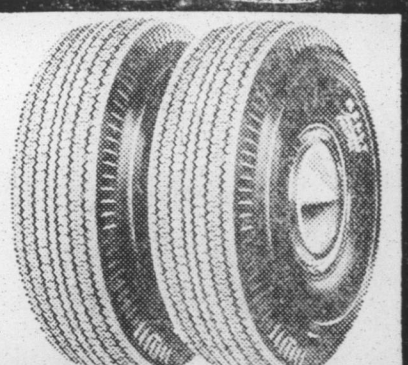
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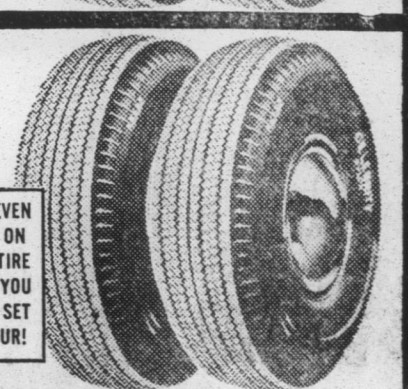


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