

The Roundup

By WILBORNE HARRELL

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WINTER INTO SPRING
When Winter's here the skies are gloomy and bare,
With leafless trees and dull misty air;
The birds and animals go home to stay
Until Spring once more comes around their way.

Then when long awaited Spring does come
The flowers bloom and little birds hum;
The sky is no longer gloomy and bare,
There are buds on the trees and seen in the air.

Everyone is happy and cheerful again,
When cook-outs, hikes and picnics begin.
Yes, when blooms appear and little birds sing
That is a sure enough sign of Spring.

—Linda Garrett.

The above poem was written by a little girl friend of mine, and it seems to me that sometimes a child, unencumbered by technique and a lot of textbook fol-de-rol, but who writes from just the way she feels, can say things better than some of us who strive to write poetry with a capital "P".

TIDBITS—There's enough drama, tragedy, comedy and human interest in a daily newspaper to fill a dozen novels. . . . The high fatality in auto accidents is due to too many people driving cars who don't have any business driving. The more incompetent drivers you keep from behind the steering wheel, the more victims you'll keep out of the cemetery. . . . Pet Peeve: The guy who turns a newspaper back to front, thus destroying the sequence of pages and necessitating a search for page one, or any other page.

A newspaper should be kept intact, just as it comes from the press, and read like a book.

THE OLD WEST—Annie Oakley was born Phoebe Anne Oakley Mozee, and began her theatrical career as a trick marksman with Buffalo Bill's original Wild West Show billed as "Little Sure Shot". She toured Europe and appeared before royalty. She was a headliner for seventeen years, and died almost forgotten in 1926 at the age of 67. But the movies and TV are reviving her fame and skill.

Neither a borrower nor a lender be,
So sayeth the bard of Avon;
For what you lend you'll never see,
And what you borrow you'll naught return anon.

You can't trust Russia.

ground for the garden. The smell of the fresh soil and the feel of the warm spring sun make us feel glad that we're alive and young.

Now that the rows are formed, a trench must be made down the centers of them to drop the seeds in. This is my job. I carefully dig a straight trench down each row.

Dinner time has come, so we unhitch the mule and leave him to browse on the fresh spring grass. Mother has made us a

large stack of sandwiches and we eat every one of them, relishing each bite.

Dinner done, we go back into the garden to finish our work. Beforehand, seed potatoes had been cut into small pieces, each containing an "eye." We each take a bucket and start to drop potato eyes a foot apart in the trench down the rows.

By the middle of the afternoon, we have dropped all the potato eyes, and covered them with fresh soil. We then begin to plant the rest of our garden crops. Green peas are planted on a shallow row close to the potatoes. Radishes are planted in a plot close to the house.

Many different vegetables have to be planted early, and we work hard to finish. After the last row of vegetables is covered, we tiredly troop into the house.

The sun slowly sinks below the horizon, and we are glad that we are through with our spring planting.

Weekly Devotional Column
By JAMES MACKENZIE

This week's column continues an original sermon on Salvation, by George Nixon, sixteen year-old member of the Edenton Presbyterian Church.

Someone once said, "The only two things in life we may be certain of are death and taxes." Truly we can know that physical death is coming. If I were to tell you that twenty-five of us gathered here would die before this year is over, every one of you would say, "It may be!" There may well be some of us gathered here who will not see the year out. No man can tell whom, or when, the winged messenger will call. Would you be ready? Are you ready?

What has God planned for those who do not take Salvation? Eternal Damnation!

I think the most feared thing in the world is loneliness. When we stand before God's Throne we will not have the world to lean on and blame our shortcomings



"FARMERS WHO FOLLOW SOIL CONSERVATION PRACTICES ARE 'ON THE BEAM!'"

on. We won't have our friends to rely on. We shall be alone, all by ourselves. Then we shall probably do some soul-searching—but alas, too late. We shall be judged according to our sins, and be dealt with accordingly. Will you pass the judgment before God? Have you Jesus Christ as your Defense Counsel? If you do not, you have no hope.

But what of those who say, "There ain't no such animal as Salvation, because man is not really sinful, and he doesn't need Salvation from a non-existent God?" What about these? God tells us in straight-forward terms: How shall they escape the punishment of hell if they neglect the Salvation God has so freely offered them? Woe be unto them!

All right, we have heard the pros and cons of Salvation. Now—how does one get it? The heathen say to fast, to torture your body, to do a certain number of things to receive favor and Salvation in their God's sight. But, as you notice, all these pa-

gan religious practices follow a certain pattern: Do this, do that, do the other. But the Salvation God offers through the spilled blood of His Son, Jesus Christ, is entirely free! Christ didn't die so long ago without a reason. He didn't come to earth without a reason. He came to save you and me. He offers a Salvation that is free. Just simply trust Jesus, and give Him your life, and you have Salvation. Life alone is found in Jesus. Only there 'tis offered thee; Offered without price or money. 'Tis the gift of God, sent free; Take Salvation, Take it now and happy be.

What is sweeter than lettered ease.
—Cicero.

Don't Lag—Buy Olag



dentists say "wonderful" . . .
"best I've ever used" . . .
"best tooth paste on the market"

SPRING PLANTING

By JERRY NIXON

When the last windy days of March have passed and the sun starts to warm the soil, it is time to start spring planting.

Saturday dawns fair and clear, and we begin our work. We borrow our neighbor's mule and hitch him to the plow. My older brother, George, starts to plow first. The fresh clean soil

turn over in mounds. Surprised by the invasion of their homes, fat earth worms stick their heads out of the mounds of soil. But for the fact that Dad is standing at the end of the row, I would stop work right now and go fishing. After all of the new spring grass is turned under, we begin to "row up"

grass. Mother has made us a

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Hats . . .
Look here for the hats that will head the Easter Parade . . . head-hugging little hats, elegant toques with the important crowns, sailors, big-brimmed hats . . . and more.

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How lovely are the dresses of spring . . . smartly styled to help you look your best on every occasion.



Nylons . . .
New nylons in tints that match your Easter and Spring costume. See and choose them here and now.

Gloves . . .
We see a pretty, feminine look on hand for spring and show it here in our new group of beautiful gloves.

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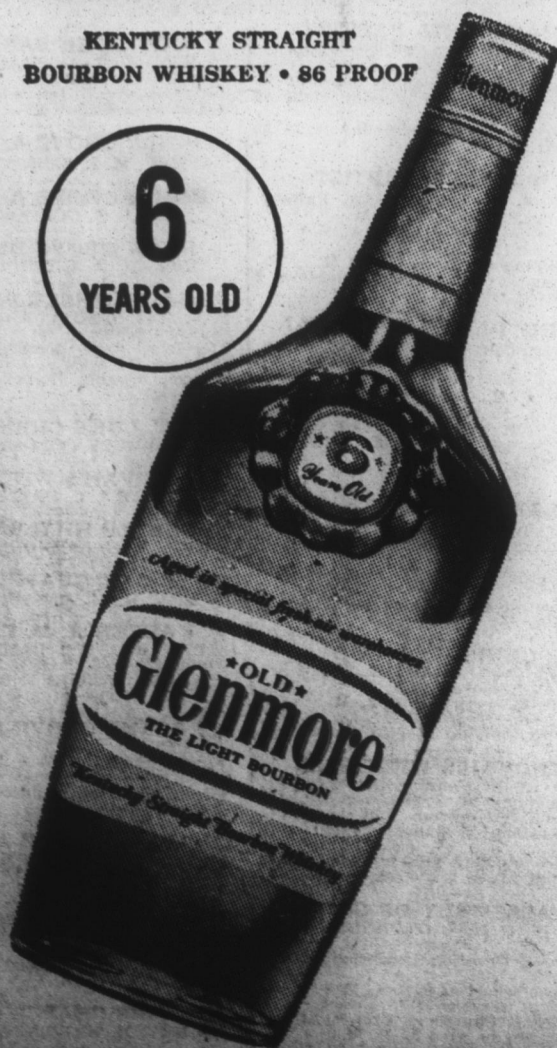
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