



The Roundup

By WILBORNE HARRELL

STRICTLY PERSONAL—Anyone who can sit down and write, one after the other, ten novels (I believe it is 10), has my whole-hearted admiration and respect. I haven't yet muddled half-way through my first one. Believe it or not, I am writing, or attempting to write, a novel. And you can blame it on Inglis Fletcher, whether the novel ever gets written. When Inglis Fletcher came to town my writing ambitions and aspirations were at a low ebb. I had begun my novel at that time but just couldn't push the book along. But here

came a lady who began to write novels one after the other—and I was trying to write only one. Something happened or clicked in my head. If she can write 'em by the dozen, I can at least try to write one! I got out my neglected MS, and I am now working more or less steadily on it; by summer or fall I expect to have a completed MS. Whether or not I will have a real novel or just a bunch of ineffectual writing, remains to be seen. The final outcome is in the laps of the gods.

Everybody has heard of marathons, but the greatest race in history is taking place now—the race between Russia and the U. S., to be the first to put a man into flight in space. In this case, I can't with any sportsmanship say, may the best man win; because I'm more or less prejudiced in favor of the U. S.—my own country.

Spring must be just around the corner—I have seen my first buttercups and dandelions.

No compromise with Communism!

As your nation grew the need for more raw materials also increased. There were no machines to work the soil, and since the raw materials were cheap the farmer couldn't afford to hire enough help, therefore, the introduction of slaves from Africa seemed to solve the problem. There is no doubt in my mind that slavery served as a very important link in the growth of our nation. But as our nation prospered in other fields it remained backward in doing away with slavery. As with so many habits, it's hard to change and conform to new things. Added to this some-

slave owners were very reluctant to give up something so profitable. Therefore, slavery had changed from an evil necessity to a profitable misjustice.

In the North, industry had prospered, therefore, with their machines they had no use for slaves and didn't see why the southerners should be able to have free labor. Here actually is where the base of the struggle existed. There was a rivalry between North and South for wealth and commerce, which resulted from a conflicting, irrepressible economic struggle. When such conflicting economic systems exist there is almost certain to be unrest until one system is chosen. As politics slowly but surely entered the picture these differences were expressed as the most conflicting event of the moment. At this time slavery stood as good a factor as any. Therefore the fight over slavery was a lot more than the outward appearance which it professed. In reality it was a fight for different economic ways of life.

Therefore it is the belief of many historians that secession, and even war, would have been quite possible sooner or later even if slavery had never existed.

CHOWAN NEWS

By CATHERINE AMAN
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To start off this column I want to thank all the many people who helped to make the observance of the 1961 National 4-H Club Week successful here in Chowan County: Mr. Bufflap for the two page feature in The Chowan Herald; Mr. Dick Schuman and the personnel at radio station WCDJ; Mr. Jake Hobbowsky for the use of his store windows; the restaurants, and the many other friends and donors who participated in the activities of the 4-H program. You might be interested to know that a detailed report of all the National 4-H Week activities will go to Raleigh.

A 4-H record book workshop will be held Wednesday, March 22, at 7:30 P. M., in the Rocky Hock Community Center. I urge all senior 4-H'ers and any

interested leaders to make every effort to attend this activity. Mr. Lyman B. Dixon, District 4-H Club Agent, will conduct the workshop. This will be a two-hour session with major emphasis put on: (1) filling out a standard report form; (2) how to compile a long-time record. This should be of special interest to boys and girls who hope to compete in a district and state level in any 4-H project work. It will help the adult leaders better understand the techniques involved in long time record keeping and allow the leader to help the 4-H'ers more.

I also want to call your attention to the Fat Stock Show and Sale which will be coming up on Wednesday, March 29, at the American Legion Building. This will be the Seventh Annual Fat Stock Show and Sale sponsored by the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce. Judging will begin at 9:30 A. M., and the Fitting and Showing Contest at 11:00 A. M. The sale will start at 2:00 P. M.

We have received information concerning the 1961 Chowan 4-H Camp Schedule. This year, we have a quota of 24 4-H'ers and we will be attending Camp Millstone the week of June 12-17. It is not too early to start making plans and money to attend 4-H Camp this year. The cost will be \$14.00 with a transportation fee in addition of this amount.

I'll close with this timely statement lifted from the pages of Currituck Calls, published monthly by the Home Demonstration Club women of Currituck: "March has one redeeming feature—somewhere within its 21 days is hidden that day we all welcome. It bears the wonderful label—SPRING!"

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For Juvenile Readers
Thomas Jefferson and His World by Moscow; Deck the Stable by Eastwick; Caddie Woodland by Brink; This Is New York by Sasek; Onion John by Krungold; Hawaii, the Aloha State by Bauer.

JESSE BYRUM, JR., HOME FROM MEDITERRANEAN

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Halo beret, straw on a silk band

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