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## SEEN & HEARD: TALES ABOUT PREACHERS

For real enjoyment, listen to the stories related by Army or Marine Chaplains who have served in hell and high water mud and bloody death with the men they love. The Chaplains see the brutal side of man as he kills other men; and the Chaplains see the tender side of man as he comforts the homeless orphans who always are left in the wake of war.

### Needed in Alabama

Speaking of chaplains, the Rev. Kermit Combs, popular pastor of the Wakefield Baptist Church, stopped at Wakelon School to watch the National Guard Battery train on Monday night. Preacher Combs, a Reserve Major in the Corps of Chaplains, said he would certainly enjoy going with the National Guard for its two-week encampment this month. In turn the Guardsmen wished that Preacher Combs could accompany them, for they felt there would be need for an understanding chaplain in the Alabama hills.

### Do You Like Corn?

It was not original with him, but Preacher Combs told us a story we liked. There was a young Baptist preacher up in the hill country who was invited to preach a trial sermon at a prominent church. For two weeks he worked, writing and re-writing, making his patient wife sit and listen and criticize until every word and every gesture was perfect. Then came the fateful Sunday and off he went, leaving his wife to wait hopefully at home.

Came sundown, and the young preacher returned, his face long and his heart broken. "What is the matter," his wife cried, "Didn't the sermon go off all right?"

"It went off fine," said the preacher.

"Didn't the folks like it?" continued the wife.

"They liked it fine."

"Well, what happened?" questioned the wife, close on the verge of tears.

"I was invited out to dinner," replied the crestfallen preacher.

"Did you use the wrong fork, or tuck your napkin under your chin," asked his wife.

"Worse than that," replied the mountaineer preacher. "When the hostess asked me if I wanted some corn, I passed my glass instead of my plate!"

### Who Will Win?

The way that worms and insects have increased in spite of new and more powerful poisons prompted Mr. Ivey Narron to wonder which would win out in the end—man or insects.

### Printing Equipment

The new metal saw has arrived and we've been using it for a week now. Every time we purchase a new piece of equipment, we wonder how we managed to get along without it.

When finally our automatic Baum folder arrives, we're going to extend a special invitation to our friends to have a look around the shop. We always enjoy the look of amazement that covers the face of everyone who pays us a visit. "I didn't know you had all this," is the usual comment. Then they stop to watch with open-mouthed astonishment at Bobby McGee or Hilliard Greene running the presses, or Mrs. Mullin at the Linotype keyboard.

## SELL YOUR '51 TOBACCO CROP EARLY



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## Crab Grass Said Not So Tough as Bermuda Sort

By Robert Schmidt

With our humid, hot, and showery weather conditions this is the season of the year for grass and weeds, and woe unto you if you let them get ahead of you.

What do you know about the weeds and grasses that give you so much trouble? I recently talked with a man who has gardened for several years but did not know the difference between "crab grass" and "Bermuda grass." Just in case some of the readers of this column are also confused, crab grass is an annual plant, catching root at all the joints. It is a serious pest at this time of year but is killed out by cold weather. In the garden it must be controlled by frequent cultivation and hand pulling. In the lawn it may be killed by special chemical sprays.

On the other hand, Bermuda grass—sometimes called wire grass—is a perennial plant, catching root at the joints and also sending

out many underground stems by which it spreads rapidly and lives over from year to year. Freezing may kill the above ground stem but not the underground stems. Clean cultivation, and smothering it with heavy crop growth are about the only controls. I have killed it in the garden by covering with mulching paper.

### Many Other Pests

There are many other grasses and weeds that give us trouble in the garden and there are no easy methods of control. Also, in the fall of the year we are prone to let the weeds go in the portions of the garden where we have no crops. These weeds will mature millions of seeds for future generations. Many weed seeds remain alive for years in garden soils because they have been buried too deeply. As soon as cultivation brings them closer to the surface and conditions are favorable, they immediately germinate.

## This, That and the Other

Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

Mrs. Kermit Combs told me that some of her friends have found clorox, a well-known laundry bleach, to be a goody remedy for poison oak. I am glad to pass on the information.

If you have soft peaches to can, disregard the directions which tell you to make a sirup of sugar and water and cook the fruit in that. Instead, as you peel and slice the peaches sprinkle sugar over them. In just a little while after you have prepared a kettleful there will be plenty of juice for the cooking, which should be rather slow. If kept covered as much as possible during preparation, the peaches will not darken noticeably, and flavor is better when no water is used.

If only peaches and cantaloupes ripened at different times, both

might be enjoyed even more. It is hard to choose between them for breakfast, and eating both is often too much. Nor is the flavor of melon or fruit enhanced by combining them.

My grandson's wife pours ginger ale over cantaloupe and likes the result.

Just across the street from our house are three low-pruned crepe myrtle bushes laden with huge clusters of watermelon-red bloom. They belong to Mrs. Merritt Massey; but there are many who, perhaps, enjoy them more than she does, since the shrubs are growing in the strip of soil between the sidewalk and the highway, and Mrs. Massey is not out there often. For me they are in plain sight and add pleasure whenever I sit down at the window to rest a while.

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## Carolina County to Get Thousand Dollar Rural Prize for Most Progress

September 1 is the kickoff date for the Rural Progress Drive sponsored by the North Carolina Board of Farm Organizations and Agencies. The board is composed of 12 groups with Dr. J. H. Hilton, dean of the School of Agriculture at State College, as chairman.

Counties served by the Record which may participate in the contest are Wake, Johnston, Nash, Franklin, and Wilson.

The county making the most progress during the year will be

named "County of the Year in Rural Progress" and will be awarded a prize of \$1,000 by The Progressive Farmer. The money must be used to further a project which will be of lasting benefit to the rural people of that county.

In selecting the "County of the Year," consideration will be given to desirable adjustments made in agriculture, improvements in homemaking and family living, advances on a community level, provision of opportunities for rural youth, and the cooperation of all agencies, groups, and individuals.

David S. Weaver, director of the State College Extension Service, believes the project offers possibilities of becoming one of the most far-reaching movements ever started in the State. He urges every county to participate.

### Sponsors Listed

The North Carolina Press Association has endorsed the project and is actively supporting it. The sponsoring agencies and groups are the Extension Service, Experiment Station, Vocational Agriculture and Home Economics, Production and Marketing Administration, North Carolina Farm Bureau, State Grange, North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, Farmers Home Administration, Department of Conservation and Development, Rural Electrification Administration, and the farm press.

## G. C. Massey Delivers Interesting Rotary Talk

Blame for most juvenile delinquency was placed on the parents by G. C. Massey, popular member of the Wake County Sheriff's Department in a talk before the Zebulon Rotary Club Friday night. He cited cases of youthful lawbreakers where nearly every person involved was the product of a broken home.

G. C., who is a veteran Deputy Sheriff, proved an extremely interesting speaker as he related some of the cases on which he has worked.

A law-enforcement, or peace-officer, is only as good as he is required to be, the speaker said. The best officers cannot do a good job unless they have the complete backing of the people who want good government.

Following his talk, the Deputy Sheriff entertained questions from the Rotarians and led a discussion on the problems of law enforcement.

## Zebulon Farmers May Get New Information On Breeding of Swine

The State College Extension Service's popular circular on "Raising Hogs in North Carolina" has just been revised and brought up to date, and single copies of the new publication are available to Zebulon farmers on request.

Authors of the circular, which is 17 pages in length and is illustrated with photographs and drawings, are Jack Kelley, specialist in charge of extension animal husbandry, and H. A. Stewart.

Kelley and Stewart point out that the swine industry furnishes a part of the food supply for most North Carolina farm families and the income from cash sales is of considerable importance. Hogs, they add, are grown in every Tar Heel community, and in 1950 the State ranked second in the South and 15th in the nation in number of hogs produced.

The circular covers such points as selection of stock, sow testing, management of the breeding herd, care at farrowing time, feed requirements, shade, sanitation, and preventing losses at marketing time.

### Pastures Needed

Good pasture, say Kelley and Stewart, is the cheapest single source of feed for hogs. On the basis of experience an experimental results, Ladino clover is the best single grazing plant for swine.

Single copies of "Raising Hogs in North Carolina," issued as Extension Circular No. 238 (Revised), may be obtained from the local county agent or by writing the Agricultural Editor, State College Station, Raleigh.

## Three Receive Degrees At Wake Forest Finals

Herbert Appenzeller, Mary Alice Jones, and Junius Monroe Teeter were three of the 88 students receiving degrees at graduation exercises at Wake Forest College last week. President Harold W. Tribble was the principal speaker at the commencement service.

Bachelor of Arts degrees were awarded to Miss Jones and Teeter, while Appenzeller was awarded his Master of Arts degree.

## Boykin Child Hurt

Warren Boykin, twelve years old, was kicked by a mule on Thursday of last week and is a patient in Rex Hospital. The extent of his injuries is not yet fully known. The Boykin family live on the Medlin farm near Wakelon School.

## BALL FUNDS

Over \$300 has been realized in profits from the operation of the softball pro-stand during the period from July 6 to August 6, according to Recreation Director Jim Fish.

Receipts from the softball league have amounted to \$409.83 and expenditures to \$280.53, leaving a profit of \$129.30.

The drink stand has reported receipts of \$520.45 and expenditures of \$333.38, for a profit of \$187.07 during the month.