

GLIMPSSES OF THE PAST

By CAROLYN LLOYD

The same miracle happens every year. Defiant of freezes, contemptuous of over abundant rain, the flowers arrive to herald the approach of Easter. Suddenly, the drab browns of winter disappear in a blaze of color: the gray yellow of jonquils, the purple of hyacinths, the red and pink of camellias. Each year nature re-enacts the miracle of the Resurrection. It is the season when even the most cynical must agree with Walt Whitman, who wrote:

"Why! Who makes much of a miracle? As to me, I know of nothing else but miracles . . . To me, every hour of the light and dark is a miracle . . . To me the sea is a continual miracle; the fishes that swim—the rocks—the motion of the waves—the ships with men in them, What stranger miracles are there?"

What stranger miracle indeed than life itself. A baby is born and begins his journey toward the grave. That would be a depressing thought were it not for the message of Easter. That baby will at some time in his life meet discouragement, if not tragedy. He will inevitably lose someone he loves. Then will be the time to remember that Good Friday comes before Easter; that even the Son of God suffered, but that His suffering was the prelude of the world's greatest miracle.

When Easter comes early, there is always the possibility that the weather will be cold or rainy, bringing disappointment to those who have new finery to wear. It truly is a disappointment, regardless of finery, because Easter should be the most beautiful day in the year. The sun should shine, the birds should sing, and all nature should be proclaiming the glory of God. If nature fails, however, Christian men and women (even in last year's bonnets) can still thrill to the cry, "The Lord is risen!" On the first Easter that cry had significance to only a few people, and now it spreads over all the world. The cross, which was just a common means of execution in Asia Minor, has become the symbol of faith in all corners of the earth. Black people, brown people, white people—all will feel a resurgence of life on the day that brings reassurance that the Cross is not the end of life.

Some people will die on this Easter morning, and some babies will be born. What greater miracle indeed?

AVON PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Collins Gray and Collins, Jr. of Portsmouth, Va. spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gray, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Scarborough and children of Portsmouth, Va. visited his mother, Mrs. Katherine Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. David Russell and sons of Norfolk visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Meekins.

Mr. and Mrs. Oley Hooper, daughter, Faith, Mrs. Percy Williams, Claudia Williams and Mrs. Sabra Williams were Elizabeth City visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Brothers, Jr. and children of Portsmouth, Va. spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Scarborough and son of Washington, D. C. visited Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Gray and Mrs. Katherine Scarborough.

Dawn Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gray of Portsmouth returned Sunday after visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Blucher Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Scarborough were in Manteo last week.

Evan Williams, Jr., U. S. C. G., Norfolk visited his wife.

Oley Hooper, U. S. C. G., Elizabeth City returned to duty Monday after a week here.

James Scarborough, Moody Meekins and Bannie Williams were in Manteo Wednesday.

Mrs. Charlie T. Williams and Mrs. Mary H. O'Neal were in Norfolk last week.

William O'Neal of Norfolk was here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hooper, Sr. were recent visitors in Elizabeth City and Norfolk.

Mrs. Elmetta Scarborough of Norfolk is spending a few days here.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Miller and children of Norfolk were week end visitors.

Mrs. Finch who was badly burned at her home here returned home from the Portsmouth Naval Hospital Sunday. Her small daughter who was also burned is still in the hospital.

Birth
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gray announce the birth of their second child, first son, Norman Ray, Jr. at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital March 17. Mrs. Gray is the former Estelle Scarborough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blucher Scarborough of Avon. Mr. Gray is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gray of Avon.

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By giving thru it.

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USED CARS

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1956 Ford Customline 4-dr, V8
1956 Ford Fairlane 2-dr, V-8
1956 Mercury Hardtop, R&H, Power Steering, Power Brakes, Merc-o-Matic
1956 Chevrolet 210 V-8 2-dr.
1956 Chevrolet Bel Air 4-door, V8, R H Pr. Glide, Pr. Brakes
1955 Chevrolet 4-door
1955 Ford Customline 4-door V8, R H Overdrive
1955 Buick Century Hardtop R H, Pr. Steering
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Wearing of hosiery in Western Europe began about 55 B.C. when Caesar conquered Gaul. Natives of the land wore leg bindings made from narrow strips of woolen cloth, which the Romans copied.

By the 14th century, stockings were long, tight multi-colored affairs worn by men and women alike. Women's stockings were concealed beneath floor-length dresses and mere mention of woman's legs or hose was considered a breach of etiquette.



A broken love-affair in the 16th century made the luxury of silk stockings available to all. Spurned in his offers to marry a lady stocking knitter, William Lee invented the frame-work knitting machine to put her out of business!

The discovery of nylon 20 years ago revolutionized the hosiery industry.

Today's fashion trend emphasizes the use of colored hosiery as an integral part of every woman's wardrobe. She wears a stocking hue to match each costume.

GARDEN TIME

By M. E. GARDNER

This is one of a selection of poems by Albert L. Mason, from "Song of an Orchardist," published by American Fruit Grower Publishing Co., Willoughby, Ohio, 1958. Hope you enjoy reading it:

There's one in every well-kept home.
At least there ought to be.
I'm speaking, folks, of potted plants;
There's usually two or three.

My wife especially goes for them;
She hangs them on the wall.
There's one in every bedroom,
And a couple in the hall.

Geraniums! Begonias!
A couple ferns to boot!
I laid my comb upon the shelf,
And even that took root!

We use them for a centerpiece;
I cuss them when I dine;
Around and 'round the gravy boat
Their dainty tendrils twine.

She's got a new terrarium;
She put it in the den.
Somewhere in the underbrush
I've lost my fountain pen!

We bought a "knife-o-tuffus" plant
I swear that's how it sounds!
She stuck it in a butter crock;
It grows by leaps and bounds!

It acts like Jackie's stalk of beans,
Or else some jungle vine.
It shot up to the ceiling, so
She's tied it there with twine!

She has a way with potted plants;
There is no doubt about it.
What others do with thiamin
She does with ease without it.

TRAFFIC DEATHS INCREASE

RALEIGH—The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. March 23, 1959: Killed this year: 238, killed to date last year: 185.

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WANICHESE PERSONALS

Fred Rose has returned to Ohio, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Stetson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tillett and children of Norfolk were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Tillett.

Mrs. C. B. Lee of Gates was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Guthrie.

Mrs. Faye D. White and children, Marcia and Lee have gone to Killeen, Texas to join Mrs. White's husband who is employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris have returned from Key West, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Pearson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Glenn Gaskill and daughter, Glenda visited Mr. Gaskill's mother, Mrs. Bettie Gaskill Sunday a patient in Albemarle Hospital.

Mrs. Lourania Midgett of Rodanther was the guest of her niece, Rowena Midgett.

Mrs. Glenn Gaskill, has received word of the sudden death of her aunt, Mrs. Pattie L. Baucum, of Cary, on March 19 at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lida P. Bridges of Siler City. Mrs. Baucum was well known south of Oregon Inlet having visited Mrs. Bridges, a former teacher in that area, on several occasions.

SMALLER POTATO ACREAGE

RALEIGH — North Carolina sweet potato growers will plant 30,000 acres—3 percent less than in 1958—if they carry out their intentions as expressed in a survey made as of March 1, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. On the basis of the March intentions, the current crop acreage is expected to be 33 percent under the 1948-57 average

of 44,300 acres. UNITED STATES: Intentions to plant sweet potatoes in 1959 as indicated by growers on or about March 1, are for a planting of 275,200 acres, one percent above the 272,200 acres planted in 1958, but 24 percent below the 1948-57 average planted acreage of 361,400 acres.

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"But the car I've found is so easy to get in and out of . . . and so comfy to sit in."

"Yes, but my car will save us as much as \$1.00 on every tankful of gas because it uses regular. How about that?"

"Well, that's nice, but what about my frilly hats? We'll have hat room not just head room in my car. And you're no shorty, either . . . you'd bump your head in a lot of those new cars."

"Not in this one. And it only needs oil changes each 4000 miles. Its muffler is aluminized to normally last twice as long, too."

"In the car I want, everybody enjoys a soft comfortable seat . . . even the folks in the middle! This car's built just-right for us . . . and besides, I think it's cute."

"Sure, looks are important . . . and my car will keep on looking good 'cause its finish is so bright and durable it never needs waxing."

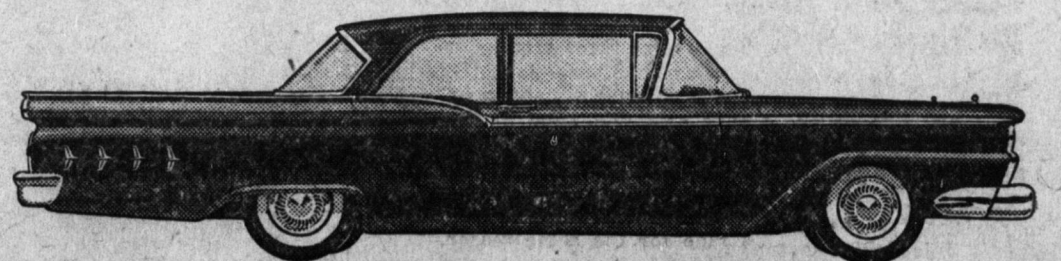
"Well, the nice man at the Ford Dealer's told me . . ."

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