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### Nature Note

#### The Roundworms

Roundworms are more highly developed creatures than flatworms in the animal kingdom. They have a single straight digestive tube running down their elongated cylindrical body, with openings at both ends. Their nervous system is more advanced and complex than that of the flatworms, but there is little or no development yet of the circulatory or respiratory system.

These worms of the phylum Nemathelminthes are found virtually everywhere. Millions inhabit a spadeful of rich garden soil, uncounted billions live in the oceans, streams, woods and fields. Nearly every man, animal and plant has roundworm inhabitants. Some are microscopic, others may be a yard long.

A large group of the Nemathelminthes are the nematodes that often attack plants and cause serious damage to crops—the wheat eelworm, the root-knot nematode, the stem-and-bulb eelworm, the chrysanthemum nematode and many others.

There are about 50 kinds of roundworms parasitic in man. Hookworms, once thriving in the southern United States, live in the intestines of human beings, causing an infected person to become anemic and weak.

Ascaris is a common form of intestinal worm that infects wild and tame animals as well as man. Pinworms are fairly common in children. Trichinosis worms infect pigs, rats and man. In man, they burrow into the muscles all over the body where they form cysts, causing severe pain, weakness and even death.

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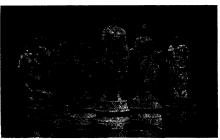
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