

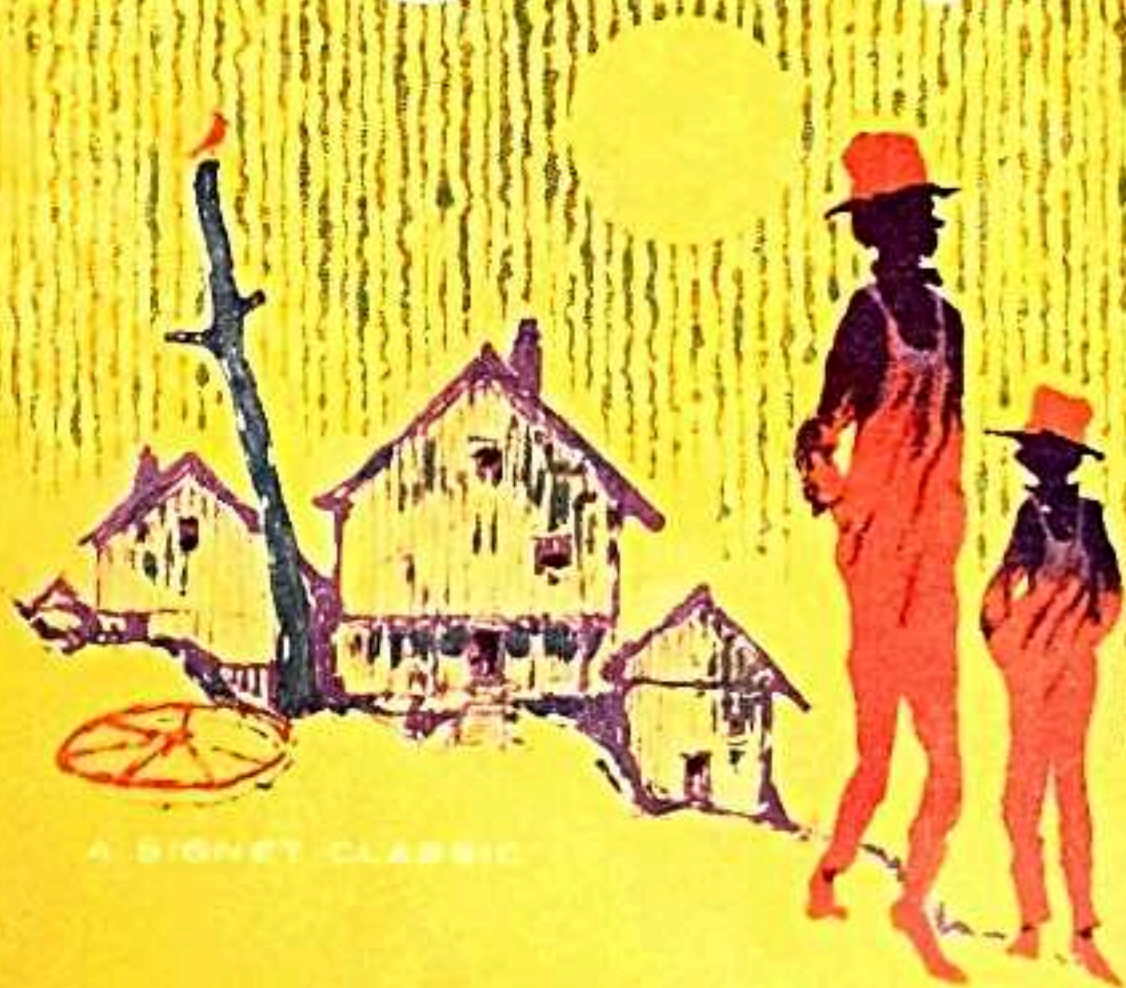
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ERSKINE CALDWELL GEORGIA BOY

Erskine Caldwell has provided modern literature with a strange and memorable gallery of characters—some worthy, some funny, some tragic. His book *Georgia Boy* is a classic of American fiction that will stand alongside Hawthorne's *Mr. Old Man* and Mark Twain's *Life among the Lowly*. Relatively entertaining and unobtrusively accurate, it shows kindly life through the eyes of twelve-year old William Stroup as he views the antics of Morris, his shrewd and stubborn father, Martha, his hard-working, sharp-tongued mother, Handsome Brown, his easygoing friend and the Stroup's trouble-prone yardboy. One of Erskine Caldwell's funniest canvasses of the rural South, *Georgia Boy* displays the keen insight into human nature that has made the author America's most popular storyteller. "He is a true phenomenon whose style, an original American humor, with a gift for selecting his material from indigenous sources, and like all writers of the first rank he has an instinct for converting a casual episode into a symbol that carries profound meaning."

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