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### **Bicentennial Cookbook**

Hey! Did you know Indiana's going to be two hundred years old in 2016? Of course, I'm going to celebrate it, but how? I want to make a cookbook of Indiana recipes. People from all over the state would send in their recipes. Any family could contribute a favorite recipe that they make often or a traditional recipe that they make on holidays or special occasions. The recipes would celebrate the land, the farmers, and all people who have moved to Indiana over the years, bringing with them their many recipes. The cookbook would celebrate the farmers and the land of Indiana because agriculture is an important part of Indiana's past, present, and future. Not only would it celebrate the farmers that sow crops and vegetables, but also the farmers that raise animals for meat, eggs, and milk. There would be many different recipes, and this is because some of the recipes are very old and have been passed down from generation to generation, but some recipes are very new and haven't been around very long. There would be a contest where people ages three and up could draw a picture they think should be on the front or back of the cookbook, and on the front page the title would be, "Indiana's Growing to be 200 Years Old." I think a cookbook would be a great way to celebrate the Bicentennial because it's something that everyone in Indiana can take part in. A celebration like this one just wouldn't be complete without food. So let's collect all the great recipes from Indiana's past, so we can have them around two hundred years from now.