

## Merry Hill News

By Ethel Winborne  
Mr. and Mrs. William White were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Earl Allcox of Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keeter, Eddie and Charlie Howard Keeter of Hampton spent the weekend at the Keeter home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smithwick, Mrs. Bob House and Jennifer of Harrellsville spent Monday at Suffolk.

Mrs. Bernice Doxen of Virginia Beach visited several relatives here last weekend.

Mrs. Maude Foxwell has returned to her home from Bertie Hospital after being a patient there several weeks. Her condition is greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White and family of Newport News were here with his mother Mrs. J. W. White for the weekend.

Mrs. Charles Mitchell of Greenville, S. C. recently spent several days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

E. H. Phelps.  
Mrs. Sophie White has been a patient in the Chowan Hospital at Edenton for several weeks and Gail Coward is a patient at the Albemarle Hospital at Elizabeth City.

Mrs. Bettie Sue White recently spent several weeks here with her brother, A. J. Lawrence and family, also visited other relatives in Bertie and Chowan County and a sister at High Point during her visit here.

Mrs. Annie Mae Taylor, Mrs. Clyde Cobb, Misses Mary and Margaret Haste of Windsor took a weeks vacation to Florida recently.

Mrs. Virgie Baker and Charles White made a trip to Upperville, Va. and spent several days with Mrs. Melba White.

The U.S. population is currently gaining at a rate of eight-tenths of one per cent or 1.6 million annually, according to the Census Bureau. World population is gaining at more than twice the U.S. rate—2.1 per cent or 78 million.



**MILDRED IS A MAMA AGAIN**—Mildred the Bear, well known in the hills of North Carolina as the mascot of Grandfather Mountain, has two new cubs, both males. Until their eyes open at the end of 40 days, Mildred has learned from Mother Nature to carry her cubs one at a time head first in her mouth. It may not look like a comfortable ride, but Mildred displays such gentleness that the cubs do not seem to mind.

## Swain Student Wins Top Honors In Poster Event

Emily Evans, a student at Swain Elementary School, won top honors in the 23rd Annual Albemarle Conservation Poster Contest. Emily's poster was selected as a first place winner from the Fifth Grade in the five-county contest held March 4 in Hertford.

Other winners in the contest were: Gina Stevenson of Perquimans County, first place - Fourth Grade; Shannon Stahel of Currituck County, second place - Fourth Grade; Linda Kooztz of Currituck County, second place - Fifth Grade; Charlene Whitehurst of Currituck County, first place - sixth grade; and Karen Musick of Currituck County, second place - Sixth Grade. The winners received trophy cups for their achievements.

The Albemarle Poster Contest, sponsored by the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, is a climax to the poster contest held in each county.

A luncheon honoring the students was held at the REA Building in Hertford with Raleigh Carver, former ASCS supervisor, the main speaker for the occasion. Others attending the event were parents, school officials, conservation district supervisors and members of the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation. Judges for the contest were Herbert Crase, N. C. Forest Service; George Lewis, Agribusiness Department, Peoples Bank & Trust Company; and S. L. Lowery, retired extension chairman, Pasquotank County.

Winners of the District Contest will compete in the Area Five Conservation Poster Contest to be held March 19.

The Albemarle District wishes to express their appreciation to the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, the students participating, the teachers and school officials for their outstanding contribution in making this contest possible.



**POSTER CONTEST WINNERS**—Pictured are winners in the 23rd Annual Albemarle Conservation Poster Contest. Front row, left to right, are: Gina Stevenson and Shannon Stahel. Second row: Emily Evans and Linda Kooztz. Back row: Charlene Whitehurst and Karen Musick.

## 4-H News

By Jeffrey Miller  
4-H Reporter

At our last meeting Mr. Goodwin talked about the retreat that those 4-H'ers went to, and all of them said that they had a good time. He also talked about the trip that we are planning to go on. It is going to be the Wednesday before.

We all decided on going roller skating. After all of this occurred we started collecting money for the heart fund and we separated into groups and, each group was assigned to certain areas. This occurred on Thursday, and we all went out for an hour and a half and all together, we collected \$114. The 4-H'ers would like to thank everyone who helped us, and the people who made a contribution as well. Again we thank everyone for a job well done.

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## TV Special Sunday

Bob Cromie visits with one of Lyndon Johnson's closest aides, Jack Valenti, on this week's "Book Beat", Sunday at 4 P.M. on Channel 2. They discuss Valenti's new book, "A Very Human President" (Norton), which presents the inside story of how LBJ managed his White House and handled Congress.

Johnson's egotism, irritation with the press, and passion for knowing all that was going on in the government are a part of that story.

Valenti reveals new and

fascinating insight into how and why President Johnson made some of the vital decisions of the 1960's. While Valenti clearly admires LBJ, he is also aware of the late President's human flaws and misconceptions, including those which led him to the decisions he made regarding the Vietnam war.

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## Beechye Ward Gets Scholarship

Beechye Ward of Tyner has been awarded a Foundation Scholarship at Campbell College for the 1975-76 school year.

The Foundation Scholarship, one of a number of the same kind awarded at Campbell to students of merit, is renewable on a term basis to applicants who maintain their standing. It is underwritten by a foundation that stipulates that it not receive public credit for its benefactions.

A senior at Campbell, Miss Ward is a social science major and plans to teach on the high school level. She is a Dean's and President's List student and a member of the Baptist Student Union. She is a transfer student from Chowan College, where she was secretary of the Student Government Association, and a member of Woman's Council and Phi Theta Kappa.

A 1972 graduate of Chowan High School, Miss Ward was editor of the yearbook, business manager of the school newspaper, and a recipient of the Outstanding Teenager of America Award, Math Award, and Rotary Cup Award. She was also named to Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Miss Ward is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Beecher Ward, Route 1, Tyner.



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