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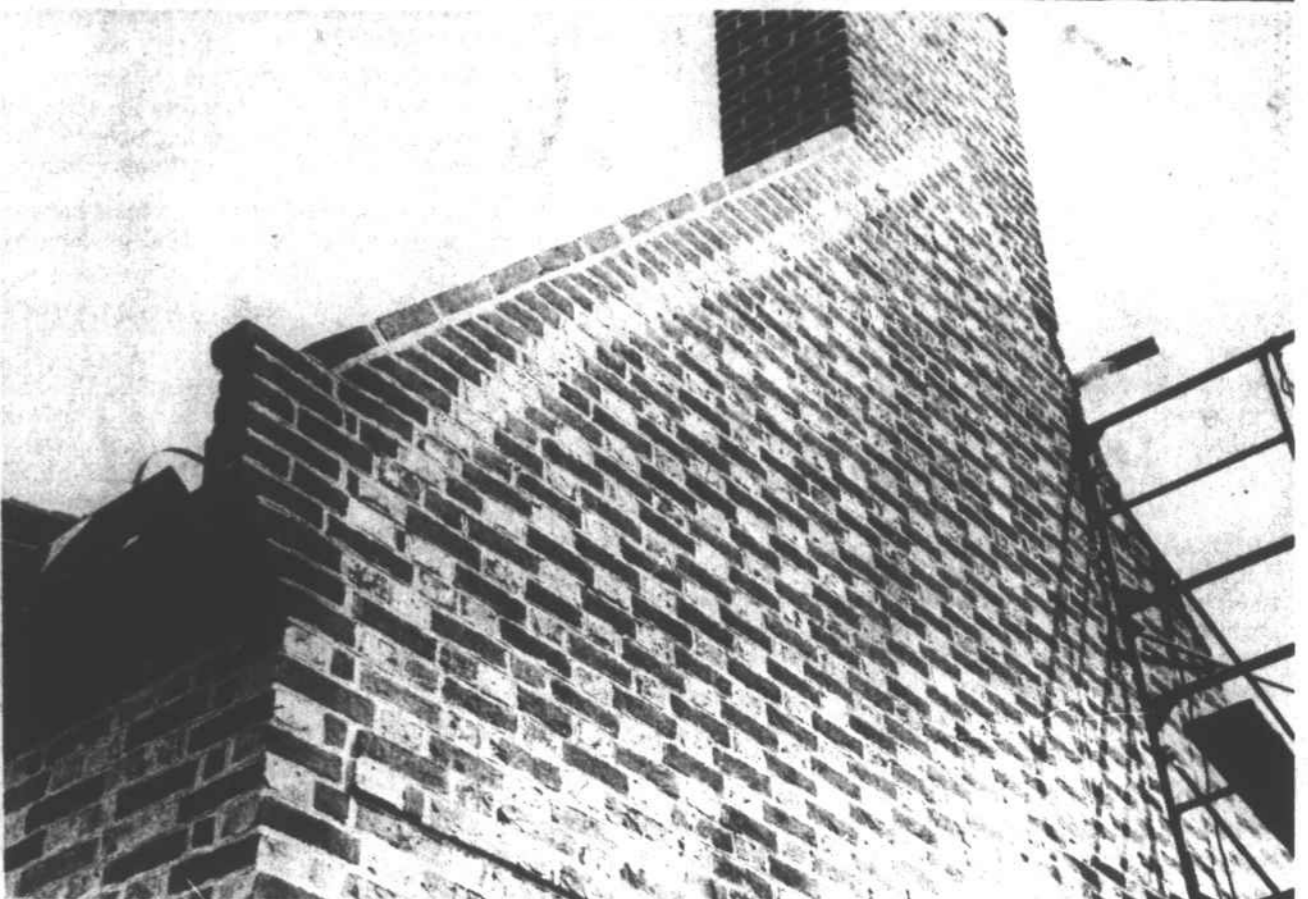
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CLOSE-UP OF COMPLETED SECTION — This picture of the completed roof section on the Newbold-White House shows the shingle detail

as well as window intricacies. The curved-end shingles, all handmade, were not unusual for the period in

which the house was built. Early settlers found the curved end prevented the shingles from splitting.



INTERESTING FEATURE — The other end of the Newbold-White House also has an interesting

feature to offer. While these glaze headers give some architectural insight of the period, when caught by

the sun, they offer a glassy effect of beauty.

Newbold-White House:

Completion in about a year is projected

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The latest fund-raising efforts of the Perquimans County Restoration Association have put the historical Newbold-White House back in the spotlight.

Sitting rather isolated a few miles east of Hertford, work has been ongoing at the site of North Carolina's oldest house since it was purchased by the association in 1973. That work has been delayed off and on due to a close monitoring of restoration by state and federal agencies.

However, this latest fund-raising effort is attempting to raise monies which would allow completion of the building in about one year. Then furnishings and added touches would follow including restoration of the caretaker's house, located adjacent to the house on the same Newbold-White House, on the same property.

Ray Winslow, local archivist and secretary to the association's executive committee, recently explained some background and research connected with the restoration process.

He pointed out in an address before the Hertford Business and Professional Women's Club that the fund-raising campaign now underway will attempt to raise \$25,000

locally. If that goal is reached, then the association would be eligible for two matching grants of \$12,500 each from the state legislature. However, Winslow pointed out, that the matching process is not an "all or nothing" deal. For every \$1 raised locally, \$1 will be matched.



Ray Winslow, Local Archivist: "The Newbold-White House was a large place in its time; a mansion when built."

R.L. Stevenson, Chairman of the association's Finance Committee is

heading the drive and noted that a Nov. 1 deadline has been set.

Winslow explained that three types of research have been involved in the project: historical, archaeological, and architectural. Then, with that information, W.M. Kemp and Company, a reputable historical restorations group, has gotten underway with the actual work of restoring the house to its appearance when built in the late 1600's.

According to Winslow, there is "no better man in the state" than Kemp. And when talking to him about the house, you are impressed with his knowledge, understanding and personal commitment to seeing a job through.

On a recent tour of the house, he pointed out several interesting facts concerning restoration and current progress.

For example, the original hardware can be found on the upstairs closet doors (unusual since closets were seldom found in houses of the period), and the fact that the original flooring and paneling remain upstairs.

For the listener with an imagination, Kemp's explanations of how the house once was and will be again with restoration, can bring to mind images of owner Joseph Scott play-



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ing host to famed visitor George Fox during his religious visit to hold services there in 1684.

Or, a colorful Perquimans County court session can be imagined with

half of the county's population present to "get the news."

With a successful fund-raising campaign and local support, these bits of past history and Perquimans

heritage will become more of a reality to future generations who might visit a completely restored Newbold-White House, proudly located in "The Land of Beautiful Women."

Mental Health Chairman is named for Town of Winfall

Aubrey Umphlett has been named Mental Health Bellringer chairperson for the Town of Winfall for the October, 1978 campaign. The appointment was announced recently by Ludie H. White, President of the Mental Health Association in North Carolina.

"The Mental Health Association is the largest citizens' voluntary advocacy organization in the United States fighting mental illness and promoting mental health," said Mrs. White.

Since the organization is non-profit and non-governmental, its entire support must come from contributions such as those to be collected in October.

The original and continuing purposes of the association are to: improve attitudes toward mental illness and the mentally ill through public education; improve services for the mentally ill; and work for the prevention of mental and emotional illness and the promotion of mental health.

Through the social action and public education programs the association helps to assure that ap-

propriate funds are available to support public mental health services in North Carolina, and that laws are

passed to protect the rights of the mentally ill person to humane and dignified treatment.

Registration deadline for upcoming election

The Perquimans County Board of Elections announces that Oct. 9 will be the last day for persons who have not registered previously or who have moved to another precinct to get their names on the Perquimans County registration books, for voting in the Nov. 7 General Election.

State law requires that to register,

a person must have been a resident of the state or precinct 30 days prior to the date of the general election and must be 18 years of age by November 7.

The election office is located in the Agricultural Building on 104 Dobb Street.

Ghost stories wanted

As a special Halloween treat, The Perquimans Weekly will be taking a look at ghosts in Perquimans County.

Local residents with ghost stories or unusual incidents to report for this special edition are urged to con-

tact the office at 426-5728 in the next few weeks.

These reports will be researched and accompanying photographs will be included if possible.

So, if you've had a bewitching encounter, call now.



Nature's suspenders

While manmade fibers modern society, the have resulted in mind-boggling achievements in

delicacies of this garden spider's web remind us

that nature still has much to offer. (Staff photo by Kathy M. Newbern)