

### Mary Ruth Bunch Weds Bruce Copes

#### Wedding Solemnized In Newport News November 13

A wedding of local interest is that of Miss Mary Ruth Bunch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Richard Bunch, of Newport News, Va., and Bruce Westsels Copes, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Copes of Warwick, Va.

Mrs. Copes is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Richard Bunch of Chowan County.

The double ring ceremony took place in the Hilton Baptist Church, of Newport News, November 13, with the Rev. Loyal Prior officiating before an altar decorated with greenery, lighted candles, and baskets of white flowers.

Mrs. F. L. Stokes was organist and Miss Joyce Phillips sang "Because," "Whither Thou Goest", and "The Lord's Prayer."

A Skinner satin bridal dress was worn by the bride, who was given in marriage by her father. The dress was fashioned with a net yoke accented with Chantilly lace inserts and scattered with French iridescents and the bodice featured a long torso waistline. Her fingertip-length veil of illusion, edged in lace, was attached to a tiara of pearlized orange blossoms and her flowers was a cascade bouquet of gardenias and bride's roses. She wore a pearl necklace, a gift of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Joseph T. Guy of Warwick, Va., cousin of the bride, was matron of honor, and the maid of honor was Miss Sara Jane Bowden, of Warwick. Serving as bridesmaids were Mrs. Carl A. Parker, Jr., and Mrs. Harry R. Kennedy of Hampton, Va.

The matron of honor wore a coral-berry waltz length velvet dress fashioned with Italian neckline dipping in a V in back, accented with a velvet bow and the sleeves were long. The maid of honor's dress was light blue velvet, the bridesmaids' were arca-

blue and were made identical to that of the honor attendants. Their head-dress was criss-cross velvet with circular veils and they carried matching muffs trimmed with roses.

Pamela Bower, niece of the bride, was flower girl and wore a white floor-length dress of tulle over satin with tight fitting bodice and ruffled skirt. She carried a basket filled with petals.

Fred Perkinson of Norfolk, nephew of the bride, carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

James E. Copes, Jr., of Warwick was best man for his brother, and the ushers were James Curtis, Russell McNamara, Frank Carver, and Ramsey Knox, all of Warwick.

Serving at the reception, held in the social hall of the church, were Mesdames R. D. Bower, William Perkinson, Frank Carver, J. E. Copes, Jr., and Miss Merle Padgett.

A navy crepe dress, trimmed in mauve, was worn by Mrs. Bunch, mother of the bride. Her hat and accessories were mauve. Mrs. Copes, mother of the bridegroom, was dressed in iridescent taffeta with black accessories. They both wore corsages of orchids.

After a wedding trip, the couple will make their home in Newport News. The bride traveled in a brown suit trimmed in velvet with brown accessories and a corsage of white roses.

### Pvt. Edgar R. White Is Stationed In Japan

Army Private Edgar R. White, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark White, of Route 3, Edenton, recently arrived in Japan for duty with the 8023rd Army unit at Camp Sasebo, Japan.

Private White is a quartermaster salvage specialist with the unit. A 1952 graduate of Chowan High School, he entered the army last May and was formerly stationed at Fort Lee, Va.

### Soybean Production Reaches New Mark

Reports from growers, as of November 1, indicate a Tar Heel soybean crop of 4,624,000 bushels. This is 21.0 per cent above the 1953 crop of 3,814,000 bushels.

November 1 prospects point to a yield per acre of 16.0 bushels. This compares with the 1953 yield of 14.5 bushels and the 1943-52 yield of 13.8 bushels. Approximately 30 per cent of the crop had been harvested as of November 1.

Total U. S. soybean production, estimated at 337,990,000 bushels, is 29 per cent above the 1953 crop of 262,341,000 bushels.

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### Mrs. Sallie M. Harrell One Of County's Oldest Citizens Passes Away

Mrs. Sallie Martha Harrell, 93, died at 7:10 o'clock Wednesday morning of last week at her home in the Brayall section following a long illness. Mrs. Harrell was a native of Chowan County and one of the oldest residents. She was a member of the Rocky Hook Baptist Church.

Surviving are one son, Emmett E. Harrell of Edenton; two daughters, Mrs. Betty Haste and Miss Minnie Harrell, both of Edenton. Eighteen grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren

and eight great great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held at the Rocky Hook Baptist Church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with the pastor, the Rev. B. L. Raines, officiating.

Palbearers were Erie Haste, Everett Haste, Paul Harrell, Leroy Harrell, Lloyd Harrell and Herman Harrell.

### State Peanut Yield Remains Unchanged

The North Carolina peanut crop is estimated at 261,950,000 pounds as of November 1. This is 3 per cent below the 1953 crop of 270,810,000 pounds. Current prospects indicate a yield

of 1,550 pounds per acre. If realized, this yield would be the second highest of record, being exceeded only by the 1952 average yield of 1,590 pounds. Favorable weather during October enabled growers to get a large portion of the crop picked with a minimum amount of loss in threshing.

For the Nation, a crop of 1,071 million pounds is expected for 1954. Such a crop will be 33 per cent below last year's production of 1,588 million pounds.

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