

## News From Merry Hill Section

By Mrs. Ethel Winborne

Mrs. H. E. Foxwell accompanied Frank Halsey and sons of Edenton to Raleigh Wednesday. Mrs. Halsey accompanied them home after spending a few days there.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Baker of Silver Springs, Md., spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Baker and their children, Becky and Mike, returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Pierce and children of Chesapeake, Va., were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Phelps and son, Elliott, Jr., returned to their home at Colorado Springs, Col., last Friday after spending their vacation here with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelps of Colerain and visiting relatives at Virginia Beach, Va.

Dr. and Mrs. Grady Love, Mrs. Love and daughter of Lexington were here for the weekend to attend the marriage of Miss Nina Love and Paul Whitman of Chowan County Sunday afternoon at the Merry Hill Baptist Church.

SP5 Victor Sutton and Mrs. Sutton arrived here Saturday from Ozark, Ala., to spend some time with her parents and to visit other relatives before leaving for his new assignment.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr.,

visited Mrs. Ada Greene in Harrellsville Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., Mrs. S. B. Adams and Mrs. Kate Johnson spent Thursday in Ahoakie.

Mrs. Kenneth Spivey and boys Ken and Kerry, of Hamilton visited Mr. and Mrs. James Holder and Wayland Spivey Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Adams

### Mrs. Cobb, 76, Taken In Death

Mrs. Sallie Davis Cobb, 76, Route 2, Windsor, died September 3 in Bertie Memorial Hospital following a recent illness.

Mrs. Cobb was the widow of James Hardy Cobb and the daughter of the late George and Sallie Harden Davis.

Surviving is one son: Rev. George Lewis Cobb of Whaleyville, Va.; three daughters: Mrs. Bessie C. Pierce, Mrs. Elsie C. Belch and Mrs. Earle C. Miller, all of Windsor; one brother, A. B. Davis of Ahoakie; one sister, Mrs. Callie Cullipher of Colerain; 13 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Perrytown where funeral services were held Thursday at 2 P. M. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in Colerain. Willford Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

and Jack Adams attended the funeral of S. A. Adams at Norwood August 3. He was formerly a resident of Merry Hill.

Lynn House of Harrellsville spent last week here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smithwick.

Miss Peggy White entered Chowan College at Murfreesboro last week. Miss Cindy Pierce entered East Carolina University at Greenville Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Baynor of Pine Tops and A. E. Bowen, Sr., of Windsor visited Mrs. Ethel Winborne Sunday afternoon.

Miss Fonda Smithwick of Manassas spent the weekend at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smithwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White and children of Hampton, Va., spent the weekend with Mrs. J. W. White and Mr. and Mrs. Gene White and children of Plymouth were her Sunday guests.

Mrs. Gladys Outlaw of Edenton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smithwick.



### Sgt. Roberson Gets Assigned

Staff Sgt. Percy N. Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Roberson of Tyner, has been assigned to a 12-month tour at Utophav Air Force Base, Thailand.

Sgt. Roberson, a jet aircraft specialist, is a member of the Pacific Air Forces.

Prior to his assignment to Southeast Asia, Sgt. Roberson was stationed at Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro.

His wife, the former Louise Shaw, and son will reside with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon B. Shaw of Hertford, while Sgt. Roberson is away.

# Make Church-Going A Habit . . .

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

ESTHER SAVES HER PEOPLE

International Sunday School Lesson for Sept. 15

Memory Selection: "Who knoweth whether thou are come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"—Esther 4:14.

Lesson Text: Esther 1-8.

The aim of this lesson is to demonstrate how God uses sincere devotion to restrain the forces of evil.

In an earlier lesson we pondered the question of why God—who is so good and so unutterably opposed to evil—still lets evil exist. It will be remembered that the answer was that, although God controlled history (and in His hands is absolute and final power) He allowed mankind to exercise the God-given gift of reasoning power with which to shape his destiny—thereby teaching, rather than leading—maturity rather than retarding.

We see another instance of this in the story of Esther, a Jewess who became queen in Persia. An anomaly, certainly, to see a member of God's chosen people holding a position of honor in the pagan atmosphere of a Persian harem—but God's work is not always accomplished in surroundings in tune with His purpose. Jesus, himself, was often called to task for spending so much of His time in the company of "undesirables." But then, Jesus went where He felt the need was greatest.

The status of women today is vastly different from their allotted places in Biblical times; indeed, it is vastly different from that of a hundred years ago. And while there have been evil women, there have been good women—women whose concern was for the welfare, comfort and happiness of those around them. Patient, wise, courageous women. Such an one was Esther.

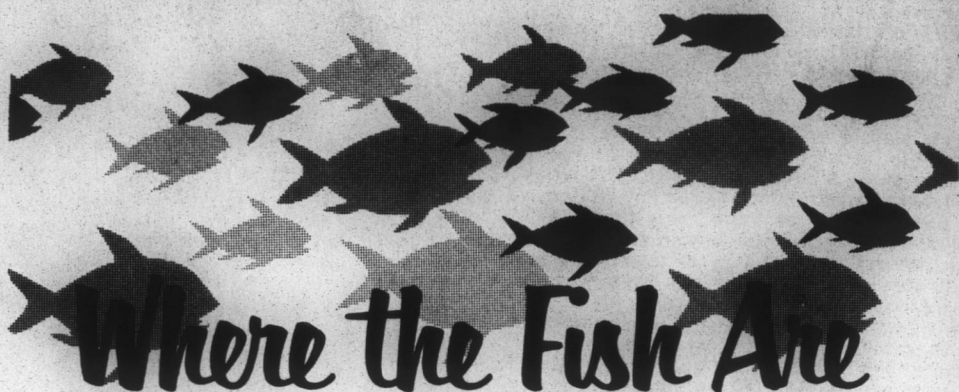
Esther, orphan, and adopted by her cousin Mordecai, was discreet, as well as beautiful. Her winning ways found favor with not only the king, but with many who made up his entourage. But, despite her exalted position, she still acknowledged the counsel of the older and wiser man who had taken the place of her father. Thus it was that she, following Mordecai's instructions after the plotting of the wicked Haman had been discovered by Mordecai, saved her people from extermination in the land.

She surely was not unaware of the danger to her person once her true nationality was revealed. This, however, did not deter her, and she did not hesitate to put the common good of so many before her own personal interests.

The spiritual maturity of Esther, in recognizing and accepting the responsibility of her position, led her into a more abundant life. And we, today, can enjoy the same satisfying experience that Esther found, in service to her Lord and to her people.

If we feel that our lives are drab and without purpose; if we feel alone and unneeded, then we have no one to blame but ourselves. Opportuni-

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## Where the Fish Are

Granddad loves to fish. Secretly, I think he likes to talk about it equally as well. He spends hours with his friends arguing the pros and cons of "angling." The other day I overheard a lengthy controversy about the best place to fish. Granddad ended the whole matter with these words of wit and wisdom, "If you ask me, the best spot to fish is out there where the fish are—so let's get going!"

This special brand of humor greatly appealed to all of his friends and it remained in my mind long after they had left. It seemed to answer those nature lovers who claim that they can worship God out of doors as well as in church. For certainly, the best spot to worship God is where God is.

Worship means not only moments of adoration and praise but also thoughts channeled toward God. The Church has the living presence of the Lord and inspires spiritual thoughts through hymn, prayer and litany.

Yes, the best place to lift up the heart is in the house of God.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Exodus	1 Samuel	1 Samuel	Isaiah	Mark	John	Acts
34:10-17	1:1-8	1:9-20	27:6-13	1:16-22	3:7-23	17:16-31

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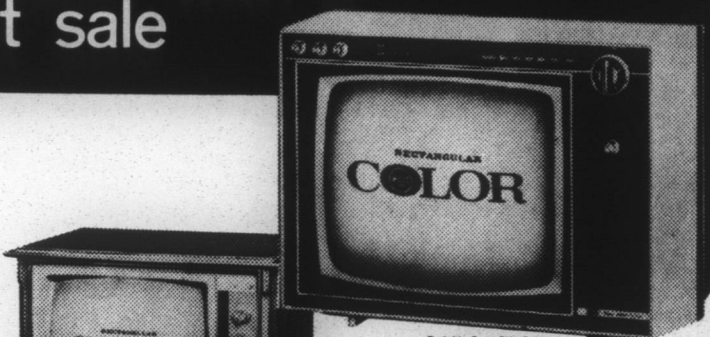
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