

Along The Way



By Emily Killete

tenants who mourned the passing of a real friend.
The following story was released this week by L.F. Weeks, Duplin County farm agent.
A new variety of strawberries has been released by the Experiment Station. Formerly tested as NC 1369, this new variety has been named Albritton, in honor of the late Jim Albritton of Calypso.
The ripening season of Albritton is about the same as that of Massey in eastern North Carolina. In tests at the Coastal Plain Experiment Station it ripened 44 percent of its crop

during the two weeks of the 1951 season, compared with 36 percent for Massey. The berries average medium to large, or about the size of a Massey. Both Albritton and Massey averaged 59 berries per pound at Willard in 1951. The color of the berries is a strong vivid red, turning to a deeper red when fully ripe. The berries are exceptionally glossy and hold their glossy appearance longer than any other variety yet tested in North Carolina. They have a tough skin and are considered firmer than Massey. They are quite uniform in shape

seldom producing rough, irregular fruits. The flavor is good to excellent.
The plants of Albritton are vigorous and productive. The yields have been better than for other commercial varieties in eastern North Carolina. In a test at Willard, it produced at the rate of 360 crates per acre, compared with 280 crates per acre for Massey and 188 crates per acre for Missionary during the 1951 season.
A limited number of plants are available for growers at \$3 per 100. Any grower may receive some of

them by sending their application to their county agent by January 10.
An estimate of the total number of plants indicates that it may be necessary to limit each grower to 100 plants. The plants will be available through cooperating growers. You will be notified where to obtain plants after the requests are in from all growers. All requests will be sent from this office to the NC Agricultural Experiment Station, Raleigh, for tabulation and final allocation of number of plants per grower.
Send in your application by January 10, 1952.

Duplin was at one time a larger producer of strawberries. Today, most strawberries produced in the county are for public pick-your-own fields.
Due to the large amount of strawberries produced in Duplin, a good deal of research was done locally on the crop. And, yielded from the research was a variety of strawberry named Albritton after a Calypso farmer. The plants were first available to farmers for the 1952 season. THE DUPLIN TIMES carried an article about the new strawberry variety in the December 20, 1951 issue of the newspaper.

we can learn, he is the only Duplin farmer to be honored with a strawberry name. Mr. Albritton died a few years ago and maybe to the surprise of some more mechanically progressive farmers, he left an estate in good shape, and a host of

New Strawberry Honors Duplin Farmer Plants Available for Albritton Berry

The Coastal Plains Agricultural Experiment Station at Willard has developed a new strawberry after years of experimenting and named the berry the "Albritton" in honor of the late Jim Albritton of Calypso. It was explained that Mr. Albritton was a pioneer strawberry grower in Eastern Carolina at one time growing as many as 100 acres. Mr. Albritton was a real lover of the soil and prided himself in good farming. When the experiment station needed someone to try out a new crop or experiment on his farm, they invariably called on Mr. Albritton and he responded with great interest. He was progressive in almost every way, it was said, except mechanizing his farm. Once he was asked why he did not put tractors on his farm. He knew they would do work faster and cheaper. He replied that his tenants had been with him nearly all their lives and he wasn't going to do anything that would throw them out of work, so he kept his farming and making money in the old-fashioned way but aiding in developing new and better crops in the soil. It is appropriate that Mr. Albritton's name should be honored. As far as

Open Letter Welcomes Junior Volunteers

Dear Prospective Junior Volunteer,
As summer approaches and school comes to an end, it is once again time to start working at Duplin General Hospital as a volunteer.
Our program has been renamed the Duplin General Hospital Junior Auxiliary and has acquired two new advisors: Mrs. Mollie Jarman and Mrs. Brenda Grubbs. In September of 1984 we elected John Dees of Wallace as president, Margaret Eaddy of Wallace as vice-president, and Gigi Ammar of Kenansville as secretary-treasurer. We have also added the emergency room to our working areas.
We have planned a training session for teenagers between the ages of 14 and 18 who are interested in being a volunteer on June 17, 1985 at 7 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria. The meeting will last until approximately 9:30 p.m. Please bring plenty of paper and a pen or pencil.
We will be working on vital signs, C.P.R., reviewing the rules, and taking a tour of the hospital.
Please try to attend this very important meeting and why not bring a friend! See you on the 17th of June!

Sincerely,
Gigi Ammar

WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rose request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter,
Constance C. Rose
to
Kimberly G. McGiver
on Saturday, the fifteenth of June
Nineteen hundred and eighty-five
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Albertson Recreation Center
Albertson, North Carolina

WRONG NAME

In the 1934-35 picture of the Pink Hill School Home Ec. Class printed last week, the name Maybelle Tyndall was incorrectly printed as Maybell Stroud (4th row). She was the daughter of the late Jobie and Remy Tyndall.

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