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## Mary Breese Ritter Wins Rose's Rabbit



Mary Breese Ritter, fourth grade student at The Albemarle Academy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian E. Winslow, Jr., is shown being presented the huge Easter Bunny from Mrs. Katherine Nelson manager of the Rose Store in Hertford. Each year, Hertford's Rose Store has a drawing for an Easter Bunny, on Easter Eve, Mary Breese was presented the rabbit Saturday morning, she says it's the first thing she has ever won, and that she has named the rabbit "Rose" because Rose Store gave it to her.

## Historical Beginning Of Bethel Baptist Church

By R. A. WINSLOW, JR.

The land on which Bethel Baptist Church stands, on Indian Creek in Perquimans County, has been dedicated to religious use for 236 years. On 17 July 1733 John Mattias and wife Elizabeth (daughter of Jeremiah Pratt) "for divers good causes and considerations us thereunto moving but more especially for the love we have & do bear towards that way of worship called the church of England do give to the precinct Parish of Perquimans in North Carolina a certain moiety of land containing one half acre square lying and being by Yeopim Creek bridge on the So. W. side of the Road whereon a new chapel is now built." The Chapel was named Yeopim.

Yeopim Chapel was probably served by visiting ministers such as Daniel Earl of Edenton. When the Church of England fell into disfavor during the American Revolution, Yeopim Chapel apparently continued to be used by local people. Having purchased the Pratt mill and the land on all sides of the Chapel, Frederick Lutten and Isaac White set aside 2 acres on 11 July 1792 "for the Love & good will we bear to and for the public Divine worship of Almighty God and the Good people of our neighborhood." The property adjoined Indian Creek, the Slave landing, a branch of the road and was the "ground whereon stands the Chapple known by the name of Yeopim Chapel."

At some time before 1806 the worshippers at Yeopim Chapel became affiliated with Yeopim Baptist Church by Chowan County.

Methodist bishop Francis Asbury recorded in his journal 12 March 1804: "At Yeopim chapel I preached on Luke xi, 9-13 I had a very serious, attentive people to hear; I believe God is amongst them; I called upon Mr. Ross, a Baptist minister of the Gospel, much thought of; I found him in a feeble state of body; we prayed and parted in great affection."

Some cause of disunion arose among the Baptists, however, and on 22 Feb. 1806 Yeopim Church, because "the Church has been in an unhappy situation for a long time, agreed unanimously to observe the Saturday before the 1st Sunday in March as a day of fasting and prayer and that we meet in Conference on that day at Yeopim Chapel to endeavor to measure which may be agreeable to the Word of God to be observed from our present . . . circumstances."

The Conference meeting at the Chapel on 1 March 1806, with 260 participants as Moderator, reported "That Brethren As-

## Lumber Training Program To Aid Industry

A new lumber training program will begin operation June 9, 1969 at Haywood Technical Institute, Clyde, North Carolina. The 4-part training program will be the most complete of its kind to be associated with the Lumber Industry in the United States.

The complex now under construction has an expected value of 1/2 million dollars. Donations valued at more than \$250,000 have been received from Appalachian Lumbermen Club; Southern Lumber Manufacturers Association; U. S. Plywood, Champion Papers; T.V.A.; Magnavox Corporation of Tennessee; Salem Equipment Company, and Corley Manufacturing Company. The remaining money has been released through the Federal Manpower Development Training Act and North Carolina state funds.

The facilities for training Sawyers, Sawmillers, Lumber Inspectors, and Dry Kiln Operators will include automatic circle and band mills, an automatic dry kiln, saw filing equipment, and other equipment needed for all phases of the program.

Students do not have to be high school graduates in order to qualify. If a student does not live within driving distance of Haywood Tech, he might qualify for an allowance to pay for living expenses in Haywood County while going to school.

For additional information on the program, enrollment, and housing, contact Haywood Technical Institute, Clyde, North Carolina.

## Bell And Howell Scholar Competition

The \$23,000 Bell and Howell Scholars Competition for 1969 has recently been announced. There are available six full-tuition scholarships valued at approximately \$3,700 each, which will be awarded to 1969 high school graduates from the Southeastern region. The scholarships are being offered at the DeVry Institute of Technology, Atlanta, one of the nationwide network of Bell & Howell technical institutes. They are for the nine-quarter Electronics Engineering Technology Program.

Each Scholarship covers the enrollment fee and all tuition costs for the nine quarter program only. Graduates may transfer to Bell & Howell Schools' Bachelors Program in Engineering Technology which can be completed in three additional academic quarters at institutes in Chicago and Columbus, Ohio. Applicants must be graduating from high school during 1969, with credits for at least one year each of algebra and science. Winners of the scholarships will be chosen on the basis of a mathematics achievement examination to be given Saturday, April 26, at 10:00 a.m. at Bell & Howell Schools, Atlanta. The examination, concentrating on problems in algebra and geometry, will be two hours in length. Students unable to attend this examination may take it at their own schools on the same date, under the supervision of a faculty member.

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DEADLINES FOR APPLICATIONS  
Applications from students who wish to take the exam in their own schools must be received no later than April 12.

For students who plan to take the examination at Bell & Howell Schools, Atlanta, applications must be received by April 23. Winners will be notified on May 17.

HOW TO APPLY  
For more information and application forms, contact Mrs. Rose S. Riddick, counselor at Perquimans County High School, or write directly to:  
Mr. Charles Blaker, Director  
DeVry Institute of Technology  
1335 West Peachtree St., N.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Funeral services for Mrs. Pearl Love King, 86, who died Sunday in Lane's Rest Home, were held Wednesday at 2:30 in the Sandy Cross Baptist Church and the Rev. Russell Rice, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church.

"Whispering Hope" was played by Mrs. Eiva Mae Riddick, Organist. "Beyond the Sunset" was sung by David Harrell, Emma Lou Jones, Mrs. Russell Rice, and C. C. Criswell. They were accompanied by Miss Williams, pianist.

The contest will be made of Bible choruses, hymns, and spirituals. Mrs. Eiva Mae Riddick, Organist. "Beyond the Sunset" was sung by David Harrell, Emma Lou Jones, Mrs. Russell Rice, and C. C. Criswell. They were accompanied by Miss Williams, pianist.

## Registration Books Open Apr. 18 For Election

Registration books will be opened on Friday, April 18 through April 25 (excluding Sunday) for the Tuesday, May 6 municipal election for the purpose of electing two town commissioners for the Town of Hertford.

Deadline for filing as a candidate is 12 o'clock noon Thursday, April 24.

Cecil C. Winslow, incumbent commissioner who was appointed to serve the unexpired term of Billy White, and after serving that term, was elected to another term, is the first candidate to file for re-election in this election.

The other seat on the town board up for vote, is the one held by Henry C. Sullivan.

This election will be for four year terms.

All qualified electors, not absolutely sure that they are registered on the town books, should check with the registrar Mrs. Pattie B. Morris, during the registration period of April 18 thru April 25, at Mrs. Morris' home, 317 North Church Street.

Kittie Sue Sawyer and Sarah Winslow are the appointed Judges of the election.

## D.F. Reed Reappointed As County Accountant

The Perquimans County Commissioners meeting here Monday re-appointed D. F. Reed, Jr., County Accountant for two years. The Board approved the following revised 1968-69 second-

## Donald Perry Given Scholarship



Donald Perry, senior at Perquimans High School, has been awarded a College Scholarship given by the Committee on Scholarships at Wake Forest University. The amount of the award is \$1,000 and is renewable at the end of each school year.

Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Perry, Jr., of Rt. 1, Hertford. He has been very active during his high school career, and presently he is serving as President of the Student Council of which he has been a member all four years in high school. Twice he has served as class president, and this year he is serving as vice president of his class for the second consecutive year.

The young man is also a member of the Beta Club, Monogram Club, Bus Driver Club, Annual Staff and has twice served as a marshal.

In athletics he has lettered in basketball for three years, and this year he will receive his fourth letter in track.

Last summer he attended Boys State which was held at Wake Forest University. This year his classmates have selected him as Most Intelligent. Donald has also had 12 years perfect attendance in school. At the present he plans for a career in law.

## American Legion Auxiliary First District Meeting to be Held Apr. 16

Mrs. Tim T. Craig, Sr. Department President of the North Carolina American Legion Auxiliary, from Charlotte, N.C. will give the address at the Annual District Meeting of the 1st District American Legion Auxiliary to be held in Hertford, Wednesday, April 16th at the William Paul Ballings American Legion Post 125, located on the corner of West Academy Street.

Mrs. Craig will be introduced by Mrs. Mary G. Winstead of Elm City.

Department President of the First District, Mrs. Julian C. Powell of Hertford will preside at the meeting and invite all members to attend.

Registration and Coffee Hour will begin at 9:30 A.M. The program will begin at 10:00 A.M. and Luncheon will begin at 12:30 P.M.

## Hertford Grammar PTA To Hear Cdr. Thompson

The Hertford Grammar School P.T.A. will meet on Thursday evening, April 10th at 8:00 o'clock P.M. with Cecil E. Winslow presiding. The Boy Scouts will have the devotional, Commander D.C. Thompson, USCG, of Elizabeth City, will be speaking on the topic: "Impact of Technology on Education of Our Children"; and the students will be presenting a "Science Fair" in the library. This will be the last meeting of this school year and parents and friends of the school are urged to be present.

## Superior Court Convenes Monday

The April term of Superior Court will convene in Perquimans County, Monday morning, April 14, with Judge Joseph W. Parker resident Judge of the 6th Judicial District from Windsor presiding over a mixed term of criminal and civil court.

Sixty six Perquimans County residents have been called for jury duty at this term of court.

## Peanut Growers Ask For Price Support Increase

Peanut grower representatives from throughout the United States appealed to the Secretary of Agriculture through Under-Secretary Phil Campbell for a price support on peanuts for 1969 at a level of 80% of parity. Attending the meeting from North Carolina were: Joe S. Sugg, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association; Commissioner of Agriculture James A. Graham; Marshall Grant, President of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association; G. E. Fisher, President, Peanut Growers Cooperative Marketing Association; and Charles Smith, President of the Halifax County N.F.O.

The meeting, held in the office of Under-Secretary Campbell on April 3rd, was attended by 26 grower representatives from every peanut producing state, and produced urgent appeals by the representatives establishing the fact that a level of 80% of parity is required in order that growers might survive the economic pressures brought about by the cost-price squeeze existing in peanut production today. In 1968 the Secretary of Agriculture set the price support level at 77-1/2% of parity and the growers asking for an additional 2-1/2% increase do not feel that this is out of line with increases in income for other segments of the economy.

Under-Secretary Campbell expressed his sympathies for the peanut growers, stating that having just left the position of Commissioner of Agriculture in Georgia that he was thoroughly familiar with the plight of peanut farmers and would convey the message presented by the growers at this meeting to the Secretary. He pointed out that with the drain on the treasury by the Vietnam War, budget pressures were quite severe on domestic spending.

It was pointed out by grower representatives that the price support increase of 2-1/2% in 1968 resulted in a seventeen million dollar increased income to the growers of peanuts in the United States and a reduction in the cost of the peanut program to the government by approximately seven million dollars.

## Wait 10 Weeks Before Writing IRS On IT Refund

Ten weeks from the date a Federal income tax return calling for a refund is mailed, the taxpayer either has his check or a letter explaining why it is held up, J. E. Wall, District Director of Internal Revenue for North Carolina, said today.

For this reason a taxpayer who has not heard about his refund should wait ten weeks before writing IRS. By waiting this length of time, most taxpayers will find their inquiry unnecessary, Mr. Wall said.

If it becomes necessary to write, the taxpayer should indicate where and when he filed his return and give his name, address and social security number, Wall said.

Millions of tax returns are handled every filing season at the Southeast Service Center which serves North Carolina taxpayers. The volume of processing operations there makes it practically impossible for IRS to locate a particular return and to answer any question about it until processing is complete.

## Perquimans Horse & Pony Club To Have Show Apr. 13



The Perquimans County Horse and Pony Club will hold the first all-western show on Sunday, April 13, at 1:30 p.m. The show will be held at the Perquimans Horse-Ring, 1 mile west of Hertford on Preston Nixon's farm.

The show will consist of 21 events including: halter, western pleasure, speed events, and roadster ponies. No gate admission will be charged, but a collection will be taken to help defray expenses.

## Red Cross Fund Drive Now In Full Swing

With the Red Cross Fund Campaign in full swing, again this week, one of the most important jobs, Service To Military Families, will be highlighted.

This program is one of the most active phases of the Red Cross, particularly on a local level. Set up primarily to act as a go-between between the serviceman, his family and the military, it also aids veterans and their families. It aids servicemen and their families through counseling in personal and family problems, reporting and communication, assisting in application for governmental benefits, referral services, financial assistance, obtaining reports requested by Veterans' Administration and helping to meet the needs of disabled veterans and their families.

The war in Vietnam has caused a heavier traffic of messages and more cases requiring aid of some type during the past year. Locally, the chairman of this committee, Mrs. Marion Swindell, has handled 88 messages, written 16 letters, made one home visit and aided two families in appeals for help following fires. This doesn't include the many other messages she received from Field Directors, servicemen or their families for information and help.

On loans made to servicemen of \$195.31, \$149.75 has been repaid. One of the biggest jobs of Mrs. Swindell is to give quick verification of information concerning such emergencies as deaths and illnesses in servicemen's families. Before a serviceman can get leave for such emergencies, some authority must contact the

doctor or hospital for this verification. This is to prevent a man's taking a few days by telling an untrue. The Red Cross can also contact a hospital or doctor, acting in the same capacity as a member of the family for a serviceman for details about a relative's health.

In case of a death or other emergency, the Red Cross will pass its verified information to the serviceman's base field director, one of whom is at each base and who is employed by the Red Cross. The organization helps the serviceman in such ways as making transportation plans for him and often lends him money. All contacts and information are kept in strictest confidence. The Red Cross does not give leave to servicemen - they only verify conditions and leave is determined by the military.

Mrs. Nathan Sawyer, chapter chairman, urges you to support your fund drive now in progress.

## Man Is Injured Slightly In Accident

Johnnie Howell, 25, Rt. 1, Hertford, was treated and released from the Chowan Hospital Saturday following a one-car accident on US 17 six miles South of Hertford.

Howell told State Highway Patrolman Y. Z. Newberry that he "blacked out" and the car left the road and struck a telephone pole.

Howell was taken to the hospital where he was treated and released.

Damage to the car was approximately \$200.

## Woman Attacked Near Episcopal Church Area

Mrs. R. L. (Clara H.) Schofield of Penn. Ave., was attacked by two men Monday night about 9:30 o'clock near the Episcopal Church in Hertford, when she was leaving the Saint Catherine Guild meeting which she had attended at the Parish House.

Mrs. Schofield was knocked down and the men tried to take

her pocketbook which it is understood she managed to hang on to. The handle was broken in the effort by the men to retrieve it. Captain W. R. Tarkington has arrested Robert Louis Fletcher, 18 year old Negro. He will be tried in Perquimans District Court here Wednesday.

At the time for this paper to go to press, the other man had not been apprehended.

## Fish Fry At Bethel Saturday, April 12

All the fish you can eat for one dollar and a quarter at the Bethel Community Fire Station Saturday, April 12, from 4 o'clock until 7:30 p.m.

Proceeds derived from the fish fry will go toward the expenses of the Bethel Community Fire Department.

## Harry Winslow Hurt In Accident

Harry Winslow, local lumberman, received a severe cut hand last Thursday while at work in the log woods. Mr. Winslow's left hand was cut, and he was taken to the hospital where 13 stitches were required to close the wound.

## Now It's Mobile House Cleaning

If you are driving through Perquimans County, you may see a young woman step from her car loaded down with bucket, mop, broom and other cleaning equipment.

She could well be Mrs. Earline White, an Extension home economics aide who is visiting a Farmers Home Administration family to teach the homemaker how to keep her new house clean.

During her visit, Mrs. White shows the homemaker the best methods to use in cleaning the particular types of floors, walls and woodwork.

## UNC Fraternity Pledges Include A. S. Rogerson

A new Halls Rogersson undergraduate at the University of North Carolina from Hertford has pledged many of the University's 24 social fraternities during the recent spring rush period.

In order to pledge fraternities, undergraduates must meet at least second semester freshmen with a 2.0 or G quality point average.

Mr. Rogersson, 24, Asheville, is a member of Sigma Xi, Alpha Chi Omega, and Sigma Kappa.