

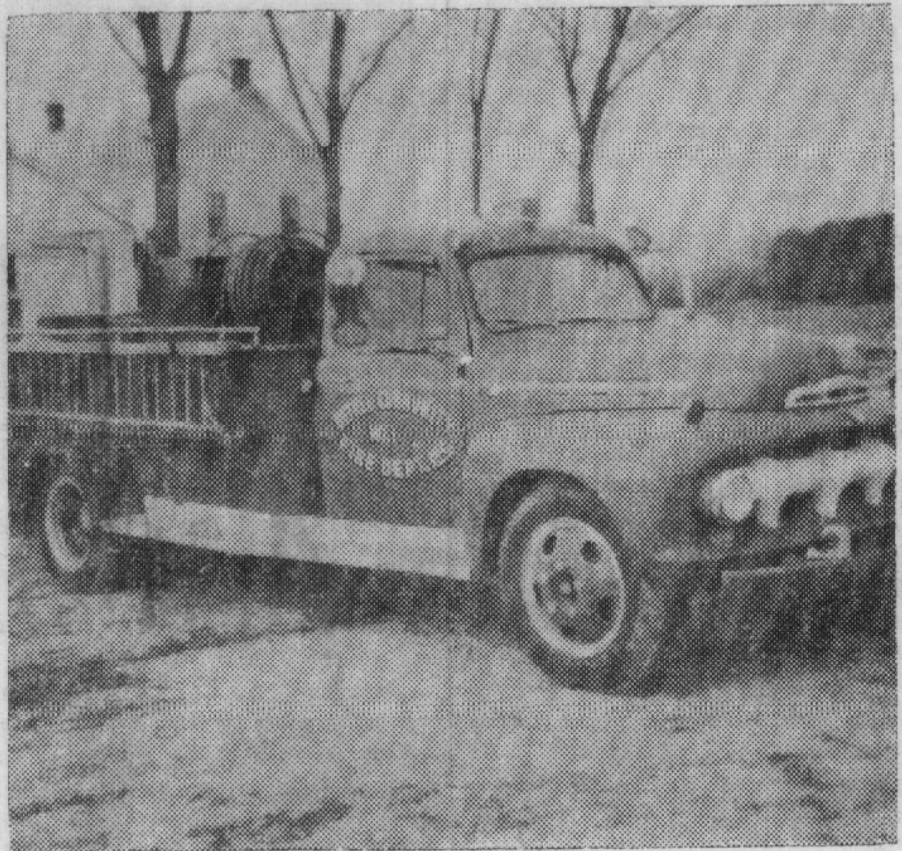
# New Fire Truck Is In Operation

Shown in the above photo is the Bethel Community Fire Protection Association, Inc., new fire truck. The volunteer department at Bethel was started and formed several months ago, around August of last year. Roy S. Chappell, Sr., was elected president; Maynard Fleetwood, vice president; William Corprew, secretary; Emmett B. Long, treasurer and R. S. Chappell, Jr., publicity chairman.

On the Finance Committee are Lester Simpson, chairman; Lawrence Corprew, Willis Proctor, Thomas Fleetwood, William Hobbs and Thomas Proctor.

Maynard Fleetwood, Jr., is the fire chief and equipment committee is composed of Fleetwood, Bobby Elliott, Charlie Skinner and Lester Simpson.

So far money for the project has been being raised through the selling of tickets on some hams just before Christmas. Just in case you bought a ticket and wonder who won the hams, one was won by Jake Jackson and one by Tommy Miller in Hertford and another was



won by Demp Pierce of Fire Protection Association, Elizabeth City. The drawing was on December 16.

Suppers are planned to raise money to support the volunteer fire department, which incidentally has already answered several calls in the community. Donations are being accepted.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution may do so by sending it to the treasurer, or just drop it in the mail to the Bethel Community

Inc.  
C. K. (Kramer) Williams, a public spirited citizen of the Bethel community, has given a lot for the construction of the fire house. The building is already under construction.

R. C. Elliott, Hertford fire chief, and Charles Skinner, Jr., assistant, have been assisting the Bethel group in getting started.