

QUAKER Mary Dyer was hanged yesterday after re-entering the Massachusetts Bay Colony against the orders of Puritan authorities, writes our senior chronicw **03 0 05**

ellow Quakers were not so fortunate they were hanged in Boston for reentering the colony. Although she was told never to return or else she hanged

In the early years of the colony the Brits often did not accept people whose beliefs were for their own. They limited rights to the colonists who were church members.

Peeter Ber Mear was accused of new religious opinions and was forced to leave the colony for present Rhode Island 1663. He established a new colony where people were free to worship as they pleased.

Later, Anne Hutchinson claimed the right to speak the Gospel. She clashed with John Winthrop who had been reelected governor and was outraged to learn of her controversial preaching in Boston.

Hutchinson was tried before British elders, and sentenced to banishment. She sought sanctuary in present Rhode Island.

Farning further south, Hutchinson and other children were later among a group of swaoy warriors during the conflict between Dutch settlers and the people.

By 1700 and Hutchinson will one of the first of religious freedom in America.

