

COMING MOVIES;

GREAT BANK ROBBERY

HANG YOUR HAT ON THE WIND WITH
BRIGHTLY OF GRAND CANYON

PETULIA

It's an Academy Award Winner!

OLIVER!

COMING SOON to THE GALAX THEATRE

Beware of all enterprises that
require new clothes. Thoreau

DRY SPELL (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7)

RAINFALL FOR MONTH IN INCHES *

1969	Total	Normal		1970		Normal	
Jan	7.19	8.03	-.84	Jan.	4.98	8.03	-3.05
Feb.	7.30	7.67	-.37	Feb.	3.71	7.67	-3.96
Mar.	4.38	9.17	-4.79	Mar.	4.77	9.17	-4.40
Apr.	9.49	6.99	+2.50	Apr.	5.65	6.99	-1.34
May	8.00	5.54	+2.46	May.	3.15	5.54	-2.39
June	9.57	6.45	+3.12	June	8.21	6.45	+2.56
July	3.39	8.62	-5.23	July		8.62	
Aug.	12.70	6.98	+5.72	Aug.		6.98	
Sept.	9.13	6.77	+2.36	Sept.		6.77	
Oct.	4.74	5.40	-.66	Oct.		5.40	
Nov.	8.97	6.26	+2.71	Nov.		6.26	
Dec.	8.95	7.56	+1.39	Dec.		7.56	

* - Below normal
+ Above normal

GOV. SCOTT DEFENDS N. C. GASOLINE TAX
Raleigh - Gov. Bob Scott vigorously
defended North Carolina's gasoline tax,
which is the highest in the nation,
Monday.

Speaking to a Democratic campaign
conference that came as a prelude to
Tuesday's state Democratic convention,
Scott said that the ranking does not
tell the whole story.

Scott said North Carolina is the
only state that builds and maintains all
its roads solely with state funds and
that the state road system is the largest
in the nation.

In other states, he said, counties
and townships build and maintain their
roads through property taxes, tolls and
with other tax levies.

Scott said that when the tax monies
used by other states are equalized to
the gasoline levy "There are 28 other

states with rates as high or higher than
North Carolina."

"We've got to remember," Scott
said, "that North Carolina does not
use property taxes to finance roads, it
does not use toll roads, and we do not
use money from the general fund as many
states do."

MANEUVERS HURTING NATIONAL FORESTS?
(Taken from Asheville Citizen July 14)

I wonder if the public is aware of
the increasing use of our national forests
for military maneuvers?

Recently, these maneuvers have re-
sulted in the burning of about 1,000 acres
of the Croatan National Forest in the
eastern part of the state, and it has
been reported that they have caused
serious ecological and aesthetic damage
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Antiques by Lee

WE ALWAYS START CHRISTMAS EARLY

SO OUR FRENCH CRYSTAL HAND BLOWN ORNAMENTS

HAVE ARRIVED AGAIN BY POPULAR REQUEST.

ALSO WHIMSICAL HAND PAINTED ORNAMENTS

PLUS DAILY OPENING OF ANTIQUE SHIPMENTS

FILLED WITH RARE VICTORIAN ELEGANCIES OF ALL KINDS.