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**SEPTEMBER BLOOMS  
WITH NORTH  
CAROLINA EVENTS**

Raleigh, Aug. 30—A long Labor Day Week-end is in order for proper enjoyment of North Carolina's planned events, according to the State News Bureau.

In the Western mountains, with all restrictions lifted, Hendersonville opens its all-out Apple Harvest Festival, Sept. 3 thru 6, with five days of square street dancing, parades, tours of Henderson county apple orchards, an air show, and fox hound show, all graced by a Festival Queen and Mutual Network's Queen-for-a-day. At Morganton, a Labor Day calvacade will open the section's new scenic highway (NC 181) to the Blue Ridge Parkway with all-day ceremonies.

On the coast, in the midst of two sportfishing contests at Wilmington-Southport and Morehead City-Beaufort with sailfish and 20 other species already recorded, 50 private yachts line up Sunday morning (Sept. 5) in Morehead City's yacht basin for an overnight cruise and shore-entertainment to New Bern and return, the first annual TAR AFLOAT event. In the Northeast, The Lost Lost Colony, also in the midst of spectacular runs of sportfish at Oregon Inlet, reaches the climax of its eleventh year, and Elizabeth City starts its annual 5-day six county Fair on Labor Day.

In the middle of the month of the state is very busy opening tobacco auction markets to the tune of the tobacco auctioneer chanting the highest prices of this generation Reidsville (10 and 11), Durham (4 thru 9), Lexington (13 thru 18), Morganton (15 and 16), Whiteville (17), and Durham again on the 20th follow through with celebrations ranging from tobacco jubilees to county fairs.

Cleveland County, on the 17th and 18th, gathers in Shelby to celebrate its nationally pre-eminent crop in its annual Cotton Festival followed, the week of the 21st, by the Cleveland County fair. Durham opens the first Fall flower show on the 25th.

October's traditional fall fair and festival season, following tobacco's golden jingle from the coast to the mountains, has bor-

**First Ground-Plane  
Radio Contact Made  
38 Years Ago This Month**

POPE AIR FORCE BASE, N. C. —Thirty-eight years ago this month the first radio message was transmitted from an airplane to a radio station. It was sent by a Canadian pilot, J. A. D. McCurdy, while flying over an air meet at Sheephead Bay, New York. The message was as follows: "Another chapter in aerial achievement is recorded in the sending of this wireless message from an airplane in flight . . . McCurdy."

Today a communication net, as operated by units such as the 190-Airways and Air Communication Service Squadron, Pope Air Force Base, is a far cry from the first air-ground radio message abbreviated as AACS, the service became known to pilots as the "guiding hand on the ground", and services military and civilian airplanes throughout the world.

During July of this year the AACS unit at Pope made 19,022 contacts with aircraft in flight and on the ground. These contacts were made by the radio range, the air-ground radio station, control tower and the ground control approach system. The information contained in the contracts consisted of such information as weather reports, landing and take-off instructions, status of airports, blind landing instructions and any information which might be useful

to the pilots. The AACS organization at Pope is part of a world-wide Airways and Air Communication System. It is a sub-division of the Military Air Transport Service. Capt James W. Kelly, a native of Coats, N. C., commands the outfit.

**Women Now Offered  
Good Army Jobs**

Sergeant D. R. Calhoun, Commanding Officer of the Sylva Army and Air Force Recruiting Station announced today that former members of the Women's Army Corps who were discharged under honorable conditions between 1 May and 8 July, 1948 inclusive, are now eligible to apply for immediate reenlistment in the Women's Army Corps. The sergeant stated that those reenlisting under this directive must apply for reenlistment within ninety days of discharge in order to be eligible for reenlistment allowance and grade held at time of discharge. The sergeant also stated that a new professional career has been opened to women — a career in national defense. Women are now an integral part of the National Security Program of all the services.

The sergeant emphasized in his statement that the Women's Army Corps enlistment program will begin about 15 Sept., 1948 for the enlistment of young women from civilian life to fill the ranks of the new Peacetime Regular Women's Army Corps. Former members who are interested in reenlisting in the Women's Army Corps are urged to call or visit the local U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Station for full information.

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