

## Raleigh Round-Up

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### KINGS AND BEAUTY QUEENS

In this land of the plunging neckline and the bare midriff, it is a lowly hamlet indeed which does not have one or more beauty queens these days.

Speaking at the Peach Festival in Rockingham last week, J. M. Broughton, cutting a twinkling eye at the queens assembled there, reminded them that one of the first beauty contests of which we have any history occurred while King David lay on his death bed. As usual, J. Melville knew whereof he spoke. Fact is, he might have added that the serious condition of the man who had ruled with iron hand over Israel for 40 years prompted the search for a comely young woman.

### DEWEY DIXIE?

Authentic reports which reached Raleigh last week on the Dixiecrat doings indicate that at least one big holding company in New York is being supplied with detailed information on the political insurrection in the Deep South. There is some opinion here—freely voiced last week—that Thomas E. Dewey knows of each move being made by the Dixiecrats by the time it is made and sometimes even before.

There was no evidence of any shortage of cash at the Birmingham meeting. On the contrary, the entire shelding seemed to be pretty well heeled, according to one North Carolina observer. Where did the money come from, and why?

Consensus in Raleigh is that the Dixiecrats will not create a ripple in North Carolina... insufficient time.

### NEW LOOK WANTED

They are not shouting it from the house tops, but four North Carolina Congressmen fear that the covens and ridges of Western North Carolina may suffer an invasion by the Republicans while they are in Washington doing their master's bidding during the next few weeks. Congressmen Bulwinkle, Jones, Redden and Doughton—yes, even Doughton—anticipate hard fights this fall, but were forced to leave their folks and return to Congress to help elect a Democratic president.

Most in demand for the battle are J. M. Broughton and W. Kerr Scott. Both of them are keeping in trim for the battle. While Old Democratic war horses like Cam Morrison, J. C. B. Ehringhaus and Clyde R. Hoey may be used, the political leaders of the mountains are pleading for Scott and Broughton. They feel that, somehow, the people seem to want that new look in the Democratic party in this State, and believe that Scott and Broughton can best supply it.

The principal worry of the Democrats is not the election of state officials, but Congressmen. Then, too, there is Truman. They must not forget him.

### NOTES

If you want to see any Big Four games this fall, you'd better get a move on. Some early season events in the high schools may be cancelled because of the polio epidemic. Incidentally, Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, medical director for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, reports that deaths from polio average only one per hundred cases, the number of children crippled is less than two per hundred cases.

### SCOTT

W. Kerr Scott said in Raleigh last Saturday that he thinks he will win in November, has no ambitions beyond being Governor for four years, will not sell his farm or discontinue its operations in Alamance county, still has "at least" 500 letters yet to write supporters in his campaign, has hardly had time to look at his farm since June 26, his telephone rings at all hours of the day and night, he weighs 208 pounds and is again going light on the calories, didn't read a single one of his newspaper advertisements during the campaign, and no stories for or against him, heard only one broadcast concerning himself, that one on the night before the second primary.

### WEDDINGS

Last year on the south lawn of Josephus Daniels' Wakestone grounds there was a beautiful garden, also the year before, and all during the year, it's in weeds this summer. The office at the News and Observer is still vacant. Editorials are being written by Jonathan Daniels and Robert E. (Prest) Williams, very good ones, too.

### OFF THE STUFF

Do you know Charles Johnson, the Wake Forest Ph.D. who has never gone to work since he was discharged from the army in 1945? He has been on Hillsboro for some time, but he has not been seen since he was discharged from the army in 1945.

## CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



This group of Farmville's future citizens are, top row, left to right: Paul, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen; Whit, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Parker, and Brenda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Melton; Bottom row: Billie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Graham McAdams; Johnny, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hardison, and Marian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Paylor.

## Improvements Made To Physical Plant Of High School

The Farmville school is now undergoing summer repairs.

Several classrooms are being painted, windows and doors are being repaired, and the heating plant is being given a thorough overhauling. The grounds are being fixed to put in tile in order to draw off surplus water to prevent water from rising in the lunchroom.

Mr. Bundy states that some new office equipment has been received and that new desks for two rooms have been received. Other school equipment in the form of books and reference material are coming in also, and everything is pointing to a good opening on August 31. The opening date may be delayed if polio threatens the community.

All teaching positions have been filled, with the exception of science instructor for the high school.

## At The Kiwanis Club

John Council Parker, presiding in absence of Louis Williams, who is on vacation, also had charge of the program Monday night at the Kiwanis and read a very fine talk on the relationship of Kiwanian ideals to Americanism.

The club plans to have a delegation of 12 members at the divisional meeting tonight at the Ocean Terrace hotel, Wrightsville Beach.

## WILLING WORKERS HAVE OUTING AT BEACH

The Willing Workers of the Marlboro Free Will Baptist church held their regular monthly social at Whitehart's Beach near Washington on July 15. About 30 members and guests enjoyed the hay ride. After a short swim, the group roasted weiners.

Scott: People like a man who makes his own way, who must meet a payroll now and then, and who makes a living other than by salary. For some time Albright had considered hanging out his shingle, believes now is the time to make the break. He will also enhance his political future. In his campaign he made many good "connections," as they call them, though most of them were not of the lucrative-client variety. Very liberal, intellectually and morally honest, a pretty good speaker, and possessed of a good mind, he should go far in the practice of law if his idealistic outlook permits him to stomach the various types of cases and clients which attorneys must contend with now and then, particularly in their early years.

### BIRTH OF A NATION

When David Wark Griffith died last Friday, the notice of his passing made front pages throughout the country. He was the man who made "Birth of a Nation" the writers said. But North Carolina people—those who care a damn about anything of this kind—know it was the other way round. "Birth of a Nation" made Griffith. Who really made "Birth of a Nation?" Thomas Dixon, from his books, "The Clansman" and "Leopard Spots." Dixon was not even mentioned in the account of Griffith's death but his widow who lives here in Raleigh had her eyes opened when she read that the film has grossed more than \$10,000,000 and is still being shown.

Being the second Mrs. Dixon—she married her, his secretary, only a few years before his death—she was the wife of a semi-invalid for seven years. However, she knows about "Birth of a Nation" and how the man really responsible for it got so much out of it. Thomas Dixon's biography, though roughly written, has been in the hands here on Hillsboro for some time, but he has not been seen since he was discharged from the army in 1945.

## Interesting News Items From Ballard's

The congregation of Ballard's Presbyterian Church was favored at the Sunday evening service by several musical selections by the Tyson quartet. The members of this quartet are Lawrence Tyson, Edwin Flanagan and Elbert Tyson, Jr. They are accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Elbert Tyson, Jr.

The Presbyterian Youth Fellowship group opened their meeting Thursday evening by singing together the doxology. Ted Vandiford was program leader and the theme was "The Rights of Others." Those taking part were Ann, Frances and Gladys Crawford. The program closed by singing "At Calvary" and Henry Dunn said a prayer.

At the close of the program weiners were roasted and drinks were served, after which the group was led in playing games by Sue Worthington and Henry Dunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Tyson and children, Kathleen and Walter, have returned from an extended visit to Mrs. Tyson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hawes, in Fresno, Calif. While on this trip they visited friends in Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and San Francisco.

Mrs. J. F. Moye and Mrs. H. L. Gibson were Raleigh visitors last Saturday.

Miss Marie Moxingo spent last week at Carolina Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar L. Erwin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones last Sunday.

Miss Jean Crawford and J. B. Allen were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen at Carolina Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caton of Ayden were week end guests of Mrs. Caton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gray Dunn.

Mrs. Charles Baucom, Mrs. Frank Baucom and Mrs. Edward May of Farmville were recent guests of Mrs. Mamie R. Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Baker visited Cherry Point and Atlantic Beach Saturday.

Miss Louise Tyson spent the past week end with her aunt, Mrs. Joe Jenkins, in Farmville. They visited friends and attended church in Sarasota Sunday.

Mr. Tob Worthington, the oldest citizen in the Ballard's community who has been making his home with his son, Lester, is now making his home with his son, Larry.

Miss Alice Stocks of Farmville and Julius Erwin were recent week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones.

Mrs. Annie Flanagan, Mrs. Mamie R. Holloway, Miss Marianna Holloway and John Flanagan visited Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Parker of the Fountain section Sunday.

Ernest Whitley of Wilson was a guest of Miss Edith Tyson Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hart and daughter, Miss Hagar, spent Sunday with Mrs. H. L. Gibson near Ormondville.

Besides having all of their seven children home for a few days the past month, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Tyson have had visitors from many states and several foreign countries including India, Germany, Sweden and Egypt.

Mrs. Verna Crawford is spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. Nelson Hunsucker, in Winterville.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Teel announce the birth of a son, Robert Carlton, Jr., Saturday, July 24, Carolina General Hospital, Wilson. Mrs. Teel is the former Miss Ruth Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fluke announce the birth of a daughter, Betsy Ross, Tuesday, July 27, at home. Mrs. Fluke is the former Miss Kathleen Ross of Ballard's Cross Roads and Ormondville.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Willis Meelia announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Louise, Tuesday, July 27, at home. Mrs. Willis is the former Miss Mary Lou Willis of Farmville.

## When Prices Start Falling, Decline Will Be Rapid

Once the peak has been passed, a sharp fall in prices is to be expected, perhaps accelerating in the early stages of the decline, it is predicted by the National Bureau of Economic Research. This declaration was made in a study prepared by Dr. Frederick C. Mills, member of the research staff of the bureau, and professor of economics at Columbia University.

"If price movements should follow the pattern suggested by historical records, the more swiftly prices were realigned and the more rapidly adjustments in agreement with them were made elsewhere in the economy, the smaller would be the disturbances to the production and distribution of goods and services," Dr. Mills states.

Prices in wholesale markets had doubled, Dr. Mills points out, and living costs had risen two thirds since 1938-39 up until the recent further advance in consumer prices.

The largest advances were made by soft goods such as foods and farm products. Metals and durable goods in general, and the broad class of non-farm product lagged in the general price rise of the last nine years, the economist says.

Farm prices are at the top, he asserts, with a rise of almost 200 per cent. Rents are at the bottom, with an increase of only 11 per cent, and the prices of equity shares in industrial corporations, which advanced only 26 per cent, are near the bottom.

The general cost of living for urban workers, which was held down by the stability of rents, rose 68 per cent, according to Dr. Mills. Seven of eleven major classes of commodities and services are in a central group, the price increases of which ranged from 90 to 126 per cent. This group includes wholesale prices, general retail prices and prices paid by farmers, construction costs, and wages—both hourly and weekly.

The gains in industrial output between 1939 and 1948 have been one of the major defenses against unbridled inflation, Dr. Mills points out. These, he explained, amounted to 82 per cent in manufacturing production. Corresponding gains of 70 per cent were scored in manufacturing employment, 118 per cent in volume of freight carried by railroads and about 27 per cent in agricultural output.

The flow of goods into actual consumption appears to have been 40 to 50 per cent greater in 1947-48 than in 1939, he states. Practically all types of goods and services commonly bought by families shared in the general elevation of living standards, and expenditures for food, clothing and durable consumer goods rose most.

Foods at the producer goods stage advanced 196 per cent, while goods for use in capital equipment rose only 59 per cent, he states.

What distinguished the price movements during the second World War from those during the first war was the delayed advance in prices, notably in industrials, Dr. Mills declares. The monthly rate of advance in general wholesale prices between August, 1945, and January, 1948, however, he adds, exceeded the monthly rate from November, 1918, to the peak of prices in May, 1920.

## ON DEAN'S LIST

Ben L. Rouse and George J. Rabl were among the students at the University of North Carolina named to the Dean's list of the school of commerce. The list of honor students was released by Dean Dudley D. Carroll.

At least a "B" must be made on all courses to make the Dean's list. Rouse made the list, with some to spare. He had all "A's," an average between 95 and 100.

## Bubble Trouble



This is what happened to 10-year-old Peter Radziewski during the semi-finals, and he left out in the New York City Club bubble gum contest at Farmville Park, N. C.

## Florida Peaches Inspect Pineapple



Florida may soon boast it's the only state growing pineapples on a large scale. Peggy Wilson and Joyce Chandler look over this year's crop on a plantation near Miami. Started in 1945, the plantation now has 100 acres in cultivation. By 1950, growers hope to increase it to 400 acres.

## Band Instruments!

Principal Sam D. Bundy issued a call today for those persons who have band instruments and would like to donate them to the high school band to contact him as soon as possible.

It is believed that many persons in the community have instruments and have no immediate need for them. By giving them to the school band a public service will be rendered.

It is requested that those persons who have instruments to give call Mr. Bundy at 437-2 or send him a post card giving him the type of instrument and other information that will be helpful to him.

Recent committees appointed are beginning to work and everyone in the community appears enthused over prospects of a school band.

## At The Rotary Club

The Rotary club program Tuesday evening was in charge of Charlie Rabberry who presented an informative and entertaining talk.

Manly Liles won the attendance prize. Brantley Speight, visitarian from the Ayden club and Jack Bogart, Scout executive of the Eastern Carolina council, were guests.

Harold Allred, manager of the Paramount Theater and a former member of the Spindale club, was welcomed as a new member.

## EPISCOPAL ALTAR GUILD

Miss Vivian Scott was hostess to the Episcopal Altar guild Tuesday evening. After opening with prayers, the directress, Mrs. John D. Dixon, conducted the business session when letters of thanks were read and orders for Stanley products were taken.

The directress presented some of the material in the book, "Some Common Sense Reasons Why." Mrs. Will Jones discussed a chapter from "Every Man's Book."

Peach shortcake was served after the closing prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ivey have returned from Savannah, Ga., where they attended the annual convention of Home Security Life Insurance company agents.

## GROUPS OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH MET TUESDAY

Meetings of the four groups of the Women's council - of the Christian church were held Tuesday.

Mrs. Jalma Bynum had charge of the devotional for Group 1 after which the Hidden Answers quiz was conducted by Mrs. C. A. Lilley, chairman.

Following the benediction the hostess, Mrs. Lee Corbett, served coca colas, cookies, nuts and sandwiches to 13 members.

Suggestions made at last week's meeting of the Churchwomen's council were passed on to members of Group 2 at their meeting with Mrs. Lloyd Smith. The chairman, Mrs. Ted Albritton, reminded the group that the Crusade's goal for August was existing active members.

The devotional was led by Mrs. Robert Lee Smith and "Hidden Answers" were used for the program.

Lemonade, cookies and nuts were served after adjournment by the missionary benediction.

Group 3 met with Mrs. W. A. Barrett with Mrs. John Barrett as co-hostess. The devotional, given by Mrs. R. D. Bouse, was taken from Hebrews 11. The group joined in saying the Lord's prayer.

In the business session, presided over by Mrs. Arch Flanagan, Mrs. Ernest L. Russell was chosen as the "World Call" representative.

Mrs. Henrietta M. Williamson led a discussion on a current topic, "The Bomb Secret Is Out." The meeting was brought to a close by the missionary benediction. Sixteen members were served refreshments consisting of cookies, nuts and coca colas.

Ten members and Mrs. Pete Allen, who was welcomed into the organization, attended Group 4's meeting held in the home of Misses Elizabeth and Mae Moore.

During the business session Mrs. R. E. Pickett was appointed secretary and Mrs. Louis Allen was named chairman of the sick and get-well card committee. "Hidden Answers" for next month's program were distributed. Based on Proverbs 31:10-31, the devotional was given by Miss Elizabeth Moore.

## The Largest Check in History



Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder holds the check he signed for \$7,500,000,000, the largest ever drawn upon the Treasury. It was all part of the consolidated basic-pays program in which the Treasury took the money out of its pocket, the Unemployment Trust Fund, and slipped it into another, the Bureau of Economic Warfare, which was to balance accounts at the end of the fiscal year.

## Bramm Child Near Lizzie Stricken With Dread Polio

The 22-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bramm, who live in the Friendship church neighborhood near Lizzie, is ill with polio, the first victim in this section. The family lives in Greene county.

The child is receiving treatment at Duke hospital.

Erroneous reports were circulated that a youngster in Fountain had polio and that one case had been reported in Farmville.

Dr. S. J. Phillips, county health officer, told The Enterprise Thursday morning that no cases had been reported in Pitt this year.

He stated that he did not recommend the closing of public places to children under 16 unless some cases are reported in the county but he is asking parents to keep children in their own neighborhoods.

The step that the Board of Commissioners took in having the town sprayed with DDT was a fine one, the health officer thinks, and he adds that Greenville, Ayden and other towns in the county are doing the same thing.

The county health department has a spraying crew on the job this summer, which sprays any home free of charge. A small charge for the cost of material used is made to spray barns.

Goldboro, the nearest polio center, has not been opened this year due to the small number of cases in the eastern part of North Carolina.

Dr. S. J. Phillips, health officer for Pitt county, early this week issued the following statement concerning the polio epidemic:

"There has not to date been any case of polio originating in Pitt county reported to the health department."

"Our definite case and one suspected case were seen by local physicians but both of these were from adjoining counties and were sent to Duke."

"From a study of previous polio epidemics in the state, it is expected that the present one will begin to decline in August, although it may carry over to September. A few sporadic cases may be expected through the fall and winter."

"Our citizens are naturally very concerned about the situation and many are asking if anything can be done to prevent polio from coming to Pitt county. In regard to this, I wish to advise that common sense measures are as good as any. Fantastic and unusual measures do little except to add fuel to the worries of the citizenry."

"One of the counties having the greatest number of cases, in addition to the usual measures, has employed airplanes to dust DDT over the city and rural areas. While this does a great deal in reducing the insect population, official reports on the epidemic indicated that twice as many cases have occurred there in July as in June, so that it seems that such extreme measures have not influenced the course of the epidemic."

"Statistics on the present epidemic indicate that 92 per cent of the cases are occurring in children under 15 years of age and only 8 per cent in persons over 15 years of age. However, it is believed that adults and children may carry the virus in their nose and throat without showing symptoms of the disease and may transmit the disease to the susceptible person. Therefore, it is urged that people residing in this county do not visit in areas where the disease exists, and that people residing in other counties where there are cases, do not visit friends or relatives here until the epidemic has ended."

"It is recommended that children under 15 avoid unusual crowds and remain with their usual associates in their own neighborhood."

"It is believed that excessive fatigue may predispose to infection when the fatigued person is exposed to the disease."

"45 per cent of the cases occur in active children between the ages of one to four years. Thirty per cent occur in children between 5 and 9 years and 16 per cent occur in children between 10 and 14 years. Therefore, it is recommended that children be required to get plenty of rest and sleep, and be well nourished."

"Hot weather and excessive sweating cause an excessive loss of body salt and may produce a condition known as 'heat lag' or heat exhaustion which may or may not predispose to the disease."

"All persons, unless advised to the contrary by their doctor, require additional salt during the extreme heat. This may be taken either by putting more salt on the food or using salt tablets."

"In conclusion, I advise (1) Keep well nourished and physically fit as far as possible; (2) The study of rest and sleep; (3) Avoid heat or unusual contacts; (4) Avoid all heat out of infected areas."