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## Kerr Scott and Passable Roads

A recent trip over the Nine-Foot road, from Newport to route 24 shows that before winter settles in, the greater part of the road will be a sand asphalt surface which will make the name "Nine-Foot" a misnomer.

Work has gone on all summer on the Merrimon road, for years a source of complaint, but the number of roads that remain to be put into passable condition make us realize what a big promise Kerr Scott has set for himself for Carteret county is just one, 99 others have their dirt roads too.

Scott made his promise stronger Thursday afternoon at the seventh district democratic rally in Columbus county court house, a promise which all farmers and school officials have heard with felling clarity. The governor-elect declared that he would not appoint any man to the Highway Commission who doesn't see eye to eye with me on getting roads that will permit school buses to operate any day in the year."

## Scene: USA Time: 1948

### Characters: The Women

Some one once remarked, "Think of all the turmoil in which business executives of this country would be were it not for their secretaries . . ."

Women have found a place in the business world and it is important to them not only as a means of earning a living, it is important to their employers and the entire national business structure.

Each year the number of women who join employer ranks increases, as well as the number of women who become doctors, lawyers, or holders of positions in other professions.

Seventy per cent of the nation's private wealth is in the hands of women. Women own 48 per cent of the stock in United States railroads, they own 40 per cent of the thirty million homes and spend 68 per cent of all the money expended for consumer goods.

Women possess this large amount of the nation's wealth partly because it has been bequeathed to them, in many instances by husbands or other male relatives—but the fact remains that it is now in their possession and represents an impressive figure.

K. Frances Scott, president of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs, says "women have come of age in this country," and then adds, "except in the political field."

It is on that phase that organized women are working now. Theme of this week, proclaimed as National Business and Professional Women's Week is "Use Your Vote in '48." This is the least a woman, or any citizen, can do politically—vote.

Women's club objectives, however, are reaching farther than that. Sights have been set on policy-making posts, in town, county, state, and national governments.

Miss Scott terms this year "one of decision." In speaking of her sex, she said, "It will determine whether we move on to greater responsibility, or whether we mark time and so slip backward."

## In The Good Old Days

### THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

It was believed that the Norfolk and Western and the Pennsylvania railroads would build a broad line direct to Cape Lookout from Cincinnati.

The paper published a special notice about the new legislative measure concerning compulsory attendance at school for all children between the ages of 8 and 12. The term would be 4 months.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

A committee composed of Mayor Thomas, J. F. Duncan, E. W. Hill, A. D. O'Bryan and C. R. Whelan returned from Raleigh with the report that route 24 would be brought into town. The paved road would be brought through Beaufort by Live Oak, Ann and Turner streets to the county dock. Town commissioners let the contract for electric light posts and fixtures to be put on Front Street.

### TEN YEARS AGO

The WPA school had 30 children enrolled in its nursery and pre-school course. Big mullet hauls were being made. It was reported that one million pounds had been caught in the past ten days.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

W. C. Carlton of the Man Power Commission in Washington, D. C. and Dr. H. F. Frytherch, coordinator of fisheries, were considering the possibility of using Italian war prisoners to help solve the labor problem for the fishing industry in Carteret county. Miss Helen Heffner of Morganston and Henry Hattell of Beaufort, and Miss Mary Bell Fulcher, of Roxboro, and David Poole Clawson, of Beaufort, were married in a double ceremony in South Carolina.

### WILLISTON

Oct. 8 — Mrs. Will Willis left last week for a ten days vacation. She has gone to Florida with Mrs. Wanita Gillikin who has a son there. We all wish them a fine trip.

A very large crowd witnessed the ball game Saturday and Sunday at Smyrna. It was a fine game of baseball.

Mr. Thomas Wade spent the weekend home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wade. Mrs. Caroline Piner is sick. She has been right feeble for quite a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Eunice Gillikin and their daughter and son of Beaufort visited Mrs. Lydia Wade Sunday afternoon.

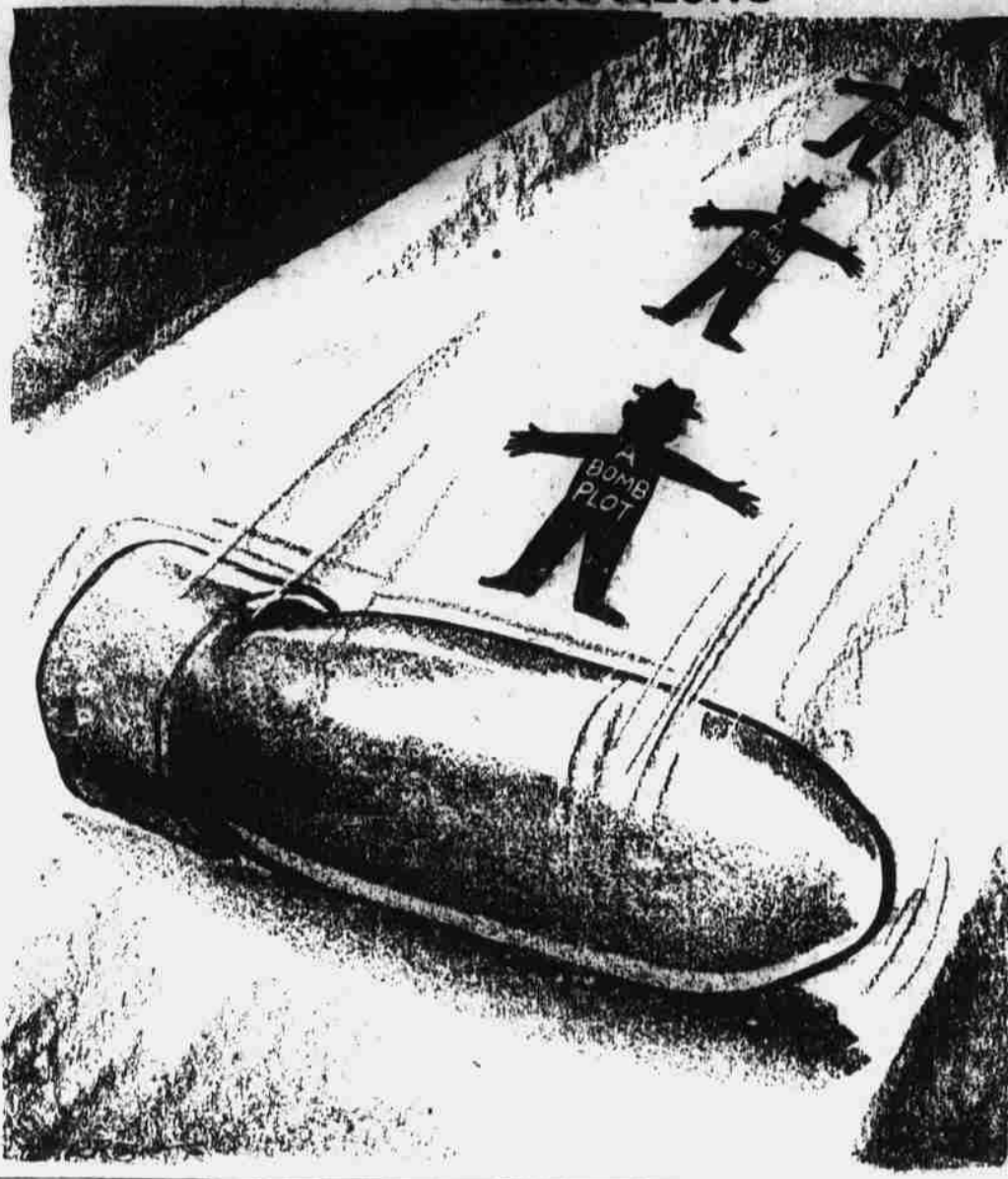
Mr. Jon Willis is on the sick list. We all wish him to get better soon. Mrs. Leon Piner and Mrs. George Piner spent a short time in Beaufort Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Johnnie Wade is sick. The doctor visited her Sunday night, had an attack of gall bladder trouble. She is some better, at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parkins, of Beaufort, visited Mrs. James W. Wade Sunday afternoon.

Irish Elk Skeleton Found BELLEFLEUR, Northern Ireland—(AP) — The perfectly preserved skeleton of an ancient Irish elk was found at Churchtown, Cork County, by river drainage workers. Experts said it was at least 3,000 years old. The elk's antlers measured 11 feet from point to point, and the combined weight of antlers and skull was 244 pounds.

## KEEPS ROLLING ALONG



## Raleigh Round up



By Eula Nixon Greenwood  
FEELING BETTER — With the election only about three weeks distant, North Carolina Democrats—at least the Raleigh variety—are feeling much better than during those hot, humid days of August. Plagued by the Dixiecrats on one hand, the Progressives on the other, and running head-on into a whole swarm of Republicans, the sons of Jefferson, Jackson, Wilson and Roosevelt have been forced to roll up their sleeves and take to the field. They have done it, roving the Republican-infested mountains like squirrel hunters out for the bag limit.

After a busy week, a few of these foragers slipped into a relatively calm Raleigh last Saturday for a peaceful weekend of rest, clean clothing, and general stock-taking of the Democratic situation. They found it to their liking. For one thing, the crowds at the rallies had been good. For another, "that fellow Harry Truman is getting the Republicans told." Whereas six weeks ago many a leading Democrat in this State privately thought that Dewey might carry North Carolina and swing at least two GOP Congressmen with him, consensus this past weekend seemed to be that the Old North State is safe for democracy with a capital "D" for the next four years.

OIL WELLS — Although the Carolina-Texas game is a thing of history now, it is still being discussed where two or more Carolina men are gathered together. And on that day in which the meeting of the two adversaries of the Lone Star and the Tar Heel did occur, great planes did appear from out of the Southwest bearing strange men under cowboy hats and on high-heeled boots. Chartered planes, they were, son, and the Municipal Airport of Raleigh was crowded with them. They wanted to bet—any amount—on that Texas team.

"Just think," said one Carolina alumnus to another last week, "I could probably own an oil well now if I had just had more nerve."

NOTES — Any time you want to have an informal conference with the associate justices of the State Supreme Court, just arrange to get your noon meal at the S & W (Stand & Wait) Cafeteria here around 1 o'clock, Monday through Friday. Five of them descended on a little stenographer sitting alone at a table last week. She didn't know who they were, chatted along gaily over a leisurely lunch and no doubt imparted some younger generation wisdom to the legal brains. . . .

The latest edition of the Gallup Poll gives Truman 44 per cent of North Carolina's vote, with 33 per cent for Dewey, 13 per cent for Thurmond, one per cent for Wallace, and nine per cent "no opinion." . . . President Truman's visit to N. C. week after next is expected to pull the percentage up to better than 50. . . . while Governor Dewey does not contemplate making an appearance in this State. . . . One of Gregg Cherry's principal clients when he returns to private law practice in Gastonia in January will be Queen City

outlay, debt service, maintenance, and current expenses.

This seems the IMPORTANT POINT: The majority report . . . if news morsels are correct (and this column has all confidence that they are) . . . has the State paying only 50 per cent of the total education costs in some counties, but as much as 90 per cent in others (Dare, Onslow, Yadkin, for instance). The percentage which any county would have to set up for school buildings, teachers salaries, etc., would be determined by a State "ability-to-pay" committee. This group would study Guilford's wealth, total income, industries, etc., and then would decide, for example, that Guilford should be responsible for one-half its education costs, the remaining half coming from the State. But many of the less wealthy counties would get out for only 10 per cent of the total costs for education. Guilford, Alamance, Forsyth, Wake, Durham, Mecklenburg, and counties of this type, would in all probability find it necessary to shoot their tax rates a way up yonder in order to match the State funds. It is safe to say that virtually ALL counties would have to raise additional revenue, whether they be large or small. But you can just hear these large counties hollering: "Who in thunder said we were able to do this?"

Delegations would come pouring into Raleigh from all over the State. The Equalization Board arguments, bickerings, and near-fights would recur. And what if the counties could not collect taxes when due (this does happen, you know)? Well, it would seem that teachers' salaries could not be paid when due. . . . Now, the majority report members, led by John Umstead, have a great deal on their side, which will come later, but the minority group, generally speaking, wants the educational setup to remain as it is, with the State's obligations and responsibilities clear-cut and those of the counties likewise. . . . with the teachers getting their money when their 20 teaching days are up . . . and sometimes, as during the Christmas season, before they are up . . . Meantime, poor old Gov. R. G. Cherry must wade through those pages. Many a plug of tobacco will have turned into "amber" before he reached the final sentence. However, the battle will not be settled until the next Legislature meets . . . and meets.

SCHOOL REPORT — Gov. R. Gregg Cherry says the majority and minority reports of the State Education Commission will not be released to the press until "about the middle of the month." Meantime, tasty morsels from this bountiful table . . . the majority report alone runs over 500 pages . . . are already falling here and there. There is a move on foot now to have the whole shebang put in a book . . . at a cost of approximately \$12,000. Some of the experts . . . most of them educational Ph.D's that great leader in education, the State of Florida, were paid \$50 per day for their contributions to the survey.

GAL TWO RALEIGH ROUNDUP BACK 20 YEARS—If the majority report is adopted . . . as it might well be . . . N. C. schools will, in great measure, be operated as they were in 1928 when the State Equalization Board was the czar of education in Tarheelia. As it is now, the State looks after current expenses of all the schools . . . that is, teachers' salaries and general operating expenses . . . while the counties build and maintain buildings, etc. Under the majority report, the whole thing would be lumped together: capital

\$240,000—Don't envy any man who must toil in the House or Senate during the next term of the General Assembly. Nobody knows what to expect . . . so everybody is getting ready for anything. One gentleman of note who has served

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## CHALK DUST

It was really a funny picture to see practically the whole senior class eating in the lunch room Tuesday. Our senior privileges were granted and one was that all seniors could jump in line and not have to wait like the underclassmen. So therefore the majority of the class used their privilege.

We really are proud of these privileges and just to illustrate how proud, there were a few of us who nearly froze to death yesterday. We were sitting out on the front steps, or the veranda, as Miss Dunchan insists upon calling it, and it was so cold we were all blue and stiff, but do you think we went inside. No indeed. We're all too thrilled to refuse the chance.

Consequently the senior classroom sounds like a cough-sniff brigade.

Well finally we have accomplished something toward our annual, Thursday morning we elected the staff and we're all sure that they will do their best in publishing the yearbook. The staff consists of the following: Editor in chief, Dowd Davis; Assistant Editor, Dorothy Taylor; Associate Editors, Nina Bell, Mary Fond Mason, and Rosemary Bessent; Literary Editor, Gerry Dickinson; Business Manager, Clifton Lynch; Assistant Business Manager, Milton Laugh-ton; Art Editor, Laura Davis; Assistant Art Editor, Margaret Ann Windley; Faculty Advisors, Miss Duncan and Miss Chadwick.

The Student Government in Beaufort High School is lining up to the high standard which it possesses. Mary Ford Mason and Colonel Hayes Wilson were chosen to represent the senior class in the council.

Saturday night at the canteen the Senior Follies was a howling success. Every boy in town is just dying to date any one of those lovely chorus girls.

The first meeting of the Beaufort High School sophomore class was held October 6 in the school auditorium during activity period. Billy Downum, president of the freshman class last year was in charge of the meeting until the new president was elected. The

## SAVE THE SOIL

By Roy R. Beck  
Soil Conservationist

Neal Campen, of Beaufort, has just completed drilling a six inch well on his farm to be used for irrigation next spring. Mr. Campen plans to irrigate about 40 acres of crops by pumping water into the drainage ditches. Mr. Campen is cooperating with the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation District through which Neal received technical assistance in planning his irrigation system.

We elected the following class officers, Shiela Smith, president; Gary Copeland, vice-president; Nancy Russell, secretary; and Dorothy Gillikin, treasurer.

The class unanimously voted to accept 50 cents as dues for the entire school year.

Mrs. Lionel Salter and Mrs. David Beveridge are the class advisors.

In Mrs. Beveridge's class, which are all girls, there are 35. In Mrs. Salter's class there are 23 boys and 13 girls, totaling 71 freshmen in all. —Secretary Nancy Russell.

—From Beaufort High School

## :: Smile a While ::

A university student who had come under the spell of the modern impulsive instruction, came to the examination question, "What causes a depression?"

He wrote, "God knows! I don't! Merry Christmas!"

When the examination paper came back, he found the professor's notation, "God gets 100, you get zero. Happy New Year!" —Sunshine Magazine

In the Middle Ages, hunting and fishing rights on his holdings were universally reserved for the lord of the manor.

## ISN'T IT ROMANTIC, JOHN? IT REMINDS ME OF OUR HONEY-MOON AT NIAGARA FALLS . . .



but it only reminds "dear John" of a gushing water pipe ruining his home! No need to worry yourself sick about such accidents when you can have complete protection for your home, family and possessions. And that's what you get when you take out insurance with us!

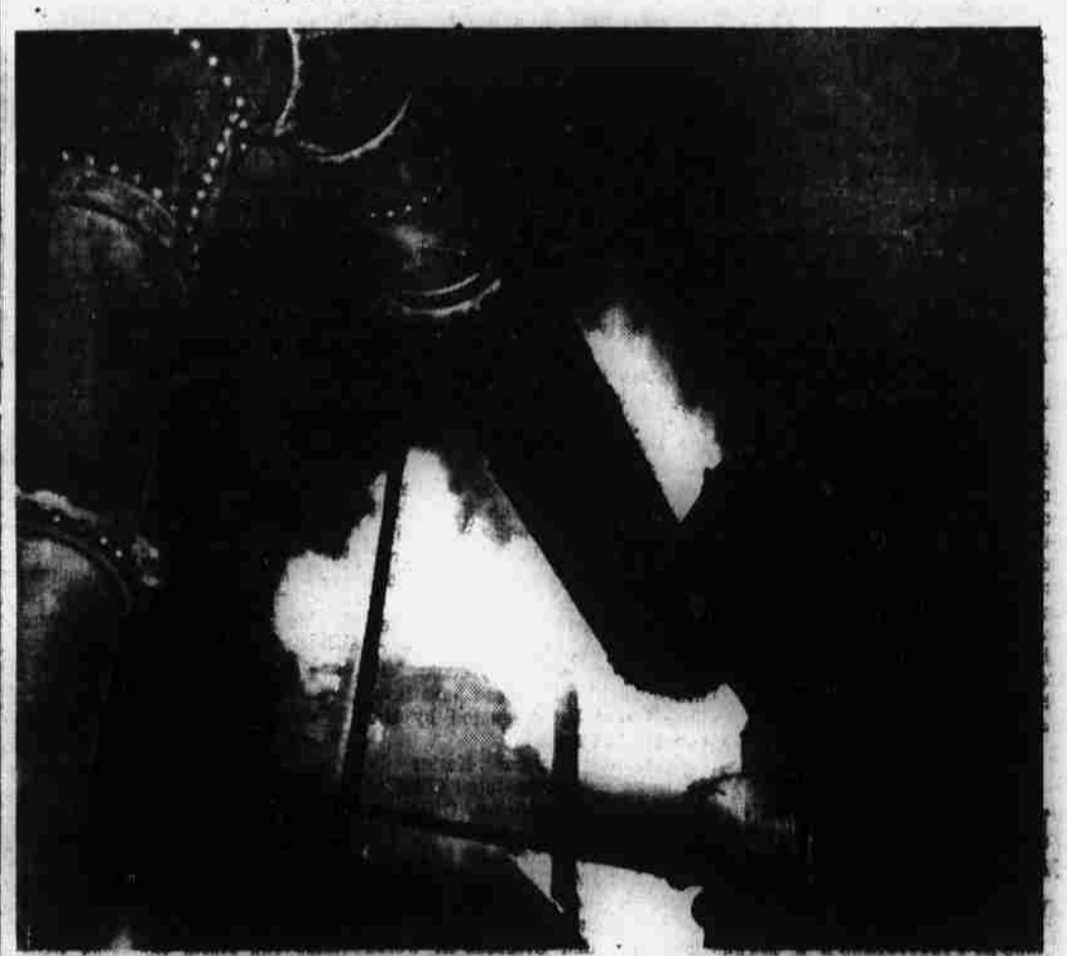
Sam Pollard has seeded most of his low swamp land along the Deep Creek Canal to pastures this fall. Mr. Pollard seeded ladino clover and KY-31 fescue for permanent pasture and two winter pastures, one of oats and rape and one of crimson clover and rescue grass.

Jack Bell is well pleased with the stand of ladino clover fescue grass he obtained on hardpan soil on his farm.

Leo Garner has seeded an acre of sweet clover for grazing on sandy land near Bogue Sound. Mr. Garner expects to have good grazing for two or three summers from the sweet clover.

Bernice A. Mann of Wildwood has seeded permanent and winter pastures on low lying sandy land on his farm. Mr. Mann decided that growing pasture grasses on this land was the best use he could make of it when working out a complete soil conservation farm plan in cooperation with the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation District.

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