

GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

By CAROLYN LLOYD

She was brown and wrinkled and dressed in the oddly-assorted costume of the Gypsy fortune teller. Over one shoulder a long plait of gray hair hung from beneath the gray scarf that covered her head. I wondered what she could possibly be seeking in a newspaper office, and finally, in broken English, she made her wants known. Would I, she asked, write a letter to her daughter for her. All the carnival folks were busy, and she couldn't write. When I consented, she pulled from the pocket of her voluminous skirt two sheets of lined tablet paper and a dirty, wrinkled envelope; and I prepared to write a tender, motherly message. I couldn't have been more mistaken.

As the old woman dictated, her eyes snapped with anger as bitter words poured out in her broken accent. Tina, her daughter, a Jacksonville, Florida fortune teller, it seemed, had run the mother away from home after the father's death. Since then, the writer bade me tell her daughter, she had seen nothing but trouble. She had been sick and nobody would take her to a doctor. She wasn't making any money, and her son's wife had left him and her family wanted \$1,000 to allow the erring wife to return. Again and again the fortune teller asked me to write, "You were mean to me. You not good daughter. I am crying while I write this letter." Twice she repeated that she sent her regards to her grandchildren and had me name each one, but there were no loving words for her daughter. When I asked her if she were sure that she wanted to send such a bitter letter, she replied that she wanted to make her daughter sorry for all the bad things she had done to her. At the end she had me write, "If I no get answer from you right away, I never write again."

When I had finished the letter, she took my hand and read from my palm the things she thought I would like to hear, concluding with, "You come out to carnival I tell you more." Then with a "God bless you, honey," she left.

The incident left me with con-

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SCHOLARSHIP LOANS FOR TEACHERS AVAILABLE

Plans for recruiting and training more teachers for North Carolina public schools were announced Friday by Mrs. Dennis E. Evans, superintendent of Dare County schools. Scholarship loans not to exceed \$350 annually are now available to high school graduates entering college for the purpose of preparing to become teachers, Supt. Evans stated.

Funds for 300 Scholarship Loans were provided by the 1957 General Assembly as a means of attracting outstanding high school graduates to teaching careers. The Scholarship Program is designed to help maintain an adequate and competent teaching force for the constantly rising enrollment in North Carolina public schools.

Individuals are eligible to receive scholarship loans for four years or until they qualify for a teacher's certificate based on the bachelor's degree. Scholarship loans, together with interest thereon, may be cancelled by teaching one full year for each annual scholarship received.

The Scholarship Loan Fund is administered by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. In making awards, consideration shall be given to the aptitude, purposefulness, scholarship, character, and financial need of the applicant; also, to grade levels and subjects of instruction in which the teacher shortage is most critical.

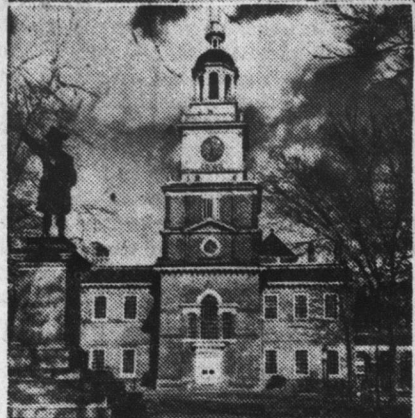
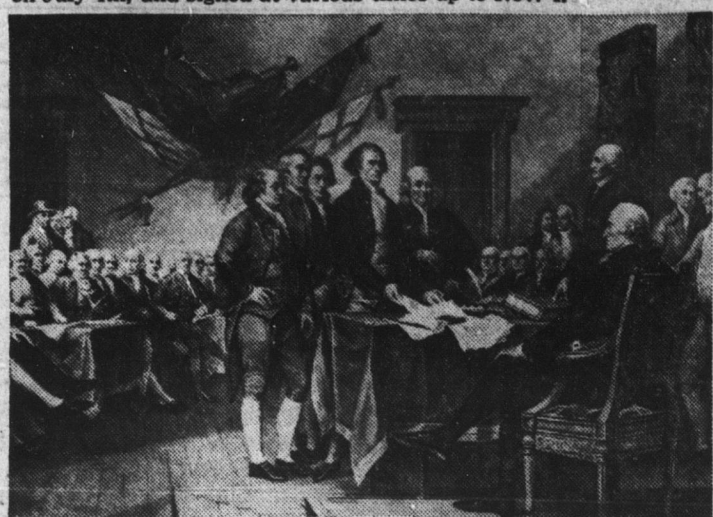
High school graduates and other prospective teachers desiring further information concerning this program are advised to contact their local school superintendent or write directly to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in Raleigh.

flicting emotions. It was funny, in a way; yet it was a great deal sadder than it was funny. Here was a fellow human being to whom I would have never given a second thought had she not come to me for help. Hers is a world so different from mine that I like many others, have more or less considered those of her world a race apart, never giving a thought to its hardships. A more refined and cultured mother might have suffered in silence, but this one did the only thing her life has taught her to do—strike back, take an eye for an eye. Underneath the bitter words I could sense the hurt and heartache of a mother rejected, the longing for a little love and attention.

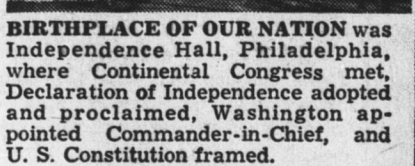
I wish I knew whether Tina has answered her mother's letter! then perhaps I could erase from my mind the picture of a poor old woman who ought to be at home with the grandchildren instead of wearily predicting the future of the suckers who occasionally visit her tent at the carnival.

U.S.—Bulwark of Freedom

BIRTHDAY OF A FREE NATION as the Declaration of Independence was presented to Congress in 1776. Contrary to popular belief, this historic document was not signed by Congress on July 4th. Instead, the Act by which the original 13 states broke colonial allegiance to Great Britain was approved by Congress July 2, proclaimed on July 4th, and signed at various times up to Nov. 4.



SYMBOL OF HUMAN RIGHTS and freedom, the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall rang out at every festival and anniversary of Independence until it cracked in 1835.



BIRTHPLACE OF OUR NATION was Independence Hall, Philadelphia, where Continental Congress met, Declaration of Independence adopted and proclaimed, Washington appointed Commander-in-Chief, and U. S. Constitution framed.



OUR NATION'S CAPITOL, moved from Philadelphia to banks of the Potomac in 1800, today is a majestic city, nerve center of a great country, and the hope of freedom-loving people everywhere. The capitol dome, sprawling office buildings, monuments, memorials, and 7,000 acres of public parks including the Mall shown here, are familiar sights to countless Washington visitors.

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR 1957 FARM HOME WEEK

North Carolina State College and the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service will play hosts to more than 2,000 home demonstration club women at this year's Farm-Home Week, August 5 through 8, on the campus of the college, it was announced by Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent.

The week's activities will begin Monday afternoon with registration in the William Neal Reynolds Coliseum and an evening program at 7:30 p.m.

The four-day meet is designed primarily for women this year rather than the combined program for men and women which has been followed in past years.

Approximately 15 different classes on various subjects of interest to North Carolina's home demonstration club women will be taught by outstanding instructors to be announced at a later date.

Some of the classes will be of such subjects as: trends in home decorating, modernizing old picture frames, wildlife on the farm, braided rugs, farm pond and water safety, you and your clothes, keeping plants healthy, supplementing the electric range, what's new in home lighting, children and money, parliamentary procedure, outdoor cookery, and foods for wedding and anniversary receptions.

Special activities such as a fashion show and a talent show will be features of the week, in addition to Thursday's activities as part of the annual meeting of the State Federation of Home Demonstration clubs. Election and announcement of officers or 1958 will be held on Federation Day.

1957 officers are as follows: president, Mrs. Ralph Proffitt, Bald Creek; 1st vice-president, Mrs. L. B. Pate, New Bern, Route 2; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. V. I. Hockaday, Roanoke Rapids, Route 1; recording secretary, Mrs. Robert A. Gentry, Roxboro, Route 3; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. A. Gains, Carthage, Route 2; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Gough, Hamptonville; and co-ordinating treasurer, Mrs. W. T. Tatum, Olin, Route 1.

For further information regarding Farm-Home Week, contact your local home demonstration agent.

Eat your share of healthful milk and dairy products—June is Dairy Month!

Maintain egg production by keeping hens cool during hot summer weather.

IN DARE, \$16,000 IN BENEFITS PAID MONTHLY BY SOCIAL SECURITY

In June 1957, Social Security began making monthly payments to its ten millionth beneficiary. This shows an increase of two million beneficiaries since February 1956 when the eight millionth person was added to their rolls. Approximately 450 of these ten million beneficiaries live in Dare County and receive a total of \$16,000 in monthly benefits. About \$9,280.00 of this amount is paid to retired workers, their wives, and their children. The other \$6,720.00 goes to the survivors of workers who died insured under the Social Security program. The seven northeastern North Carolina counties, Dare, Currituck, Camden, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Chowan and Gates, have about 3,300 beneficiaries receiving a total of \$200.00 each month. These benefit figures, of course, do not include the number or amount of lump-sum death payments that are made when an insured worker dies.

Beneficiaries are coming on the Social Security rolls much faster than they are being removed by death, marriage or attainment of age 18. Beginning in July, a new class of payment, the disability insurance benefits, will further increase the number of persons who receive social security benefits. To qualify for the disability benefit, an individual must have been disabled for at least six months and expect his disability to continue indefinitely; he must have worked under social security at least five years out of the ten years immediately before his disability began and he must have at least one and a half years of this five-year period in the last three years before the onset of his disability; and he must be at least fifty years of age.

For more information you may write or visit your Social Security Office, 220 W. Brambleton Avenue, Norfolk 10, Va. A Social Security representative also may be seen at the Community Building in Manteo on the third Wednesday of each month.

FAIRFIELD PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Cutrell and sons, Gary and Jay, of Dayton, Ohio, Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Cuthrell and daughter, Vivian, of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Cutrell and children, Glinda, Carol, and Glenn, of Columbia spent the 4th of July holidays with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cutrell. The family spent Friday at Foster's Beach near Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Harris and Linda visited Mr. and Mrs. John G. Harris in Raleigh Thursday. Linda remained for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Simmons of Richmond spent the week end with Mrs. P. C. Simmons. Miss Sandra Swindell returned home Friday after visiting in Norfolk.

KITTY HAWK PERSONALS

Mrs. Rosa Baum returned Monday from Hatteras after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Millard Ballance.

Riley Best of Norfolk left Saturday after a week's stay here with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary M. Best.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Midgett were in Elizabeth City Monday.

Miss Nona Baum spent last week in Norfolk.

M. M. Meekins and Mary Best visited Mr. and Mrs. Roland Meekins last Wednesday and also called on D. V. Meekins who had returned from the hospital.

Mrs. Mattie Miller returned to her home at Poplar Branch after visiting here.

The people of Kitty Hawk

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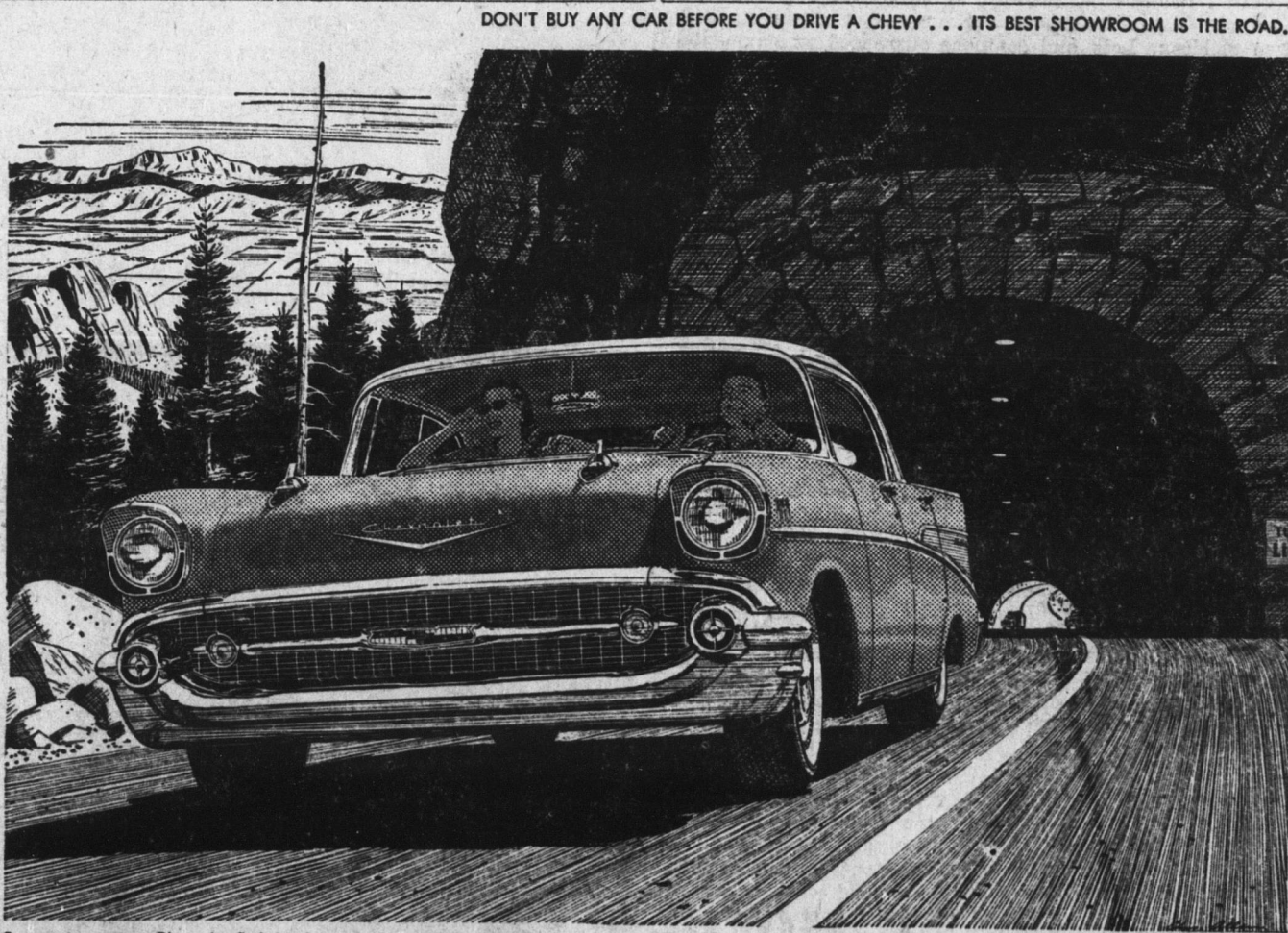
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