

Our Next Governor--Kerr Scott

W. KERR SCOTT has earned the congratulations that are showering upon him following his nomination for Governor by the Democratic voters of North Carolina in Saturday's run-off primary. His victory, won the hard way, was clear-cut and decisive. The voters left no doubt that he was the choice of the majority.

There was not a great deal of difference in the formal platforms of the two candidates, and the campaign, particularly in its later stages, developed into a slugging match between Scott and Johnson. Scott was on the offensive with sharp attacks on Johnson's record as State Treasurer, and with accusations that he was the "machine" candidate.

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Scott has served the state well as Commissioner of Agriculture and his record as a successful business man gives assurance of his ability. As Commissioner of Agriculture he was a very efficient administrator and operated his department with a high degree of efficiency.

Reason for Mr. Scott's victory is to be found in the fact that the "anti" vote in the last primary was largely from the "anti" vote in the last primary. It is likely that Mr. Scott picked up the vote that had gone to the four who were eliminated on May 29.

North Carolina has been blessed with sound and progressive government and there is reason to expect that Mr. Scott will bring to the Governor's office substantial administrative ability such as the State has enjoyed for 50-odd years.

Mr. Scott has a challenging opportunity to lead North Carolina to greater accomplishment. We are confident that he will accept the challenge to unselfish service and that the State will continue the advancement program which he has kept it in the forefront of Southern commonwealths.

Acid Test For Foreign Policy

WHAT SORT of a foreign policy may we expect from a Dewey Administration if the Republicans win the November election? The question grows more important as the international situation worsens and promises to grow more acute in the months ahead while Governor Dewey is campaigning for the Presidency on the GOP ticket.

In the midst of the conference, he made a trip to Paris where he interviewed the French rightist leader, Charles De Gaulle, who is not in the French Government but who, like the Republicans over here, expects to come to power soon. Mr. Dulles returned from Paris declaring happily that De Gaulle was prepared to work with the United States in setting up a separate state in Western Germany.

Mr. Dulles has been Governor Dewey's adviser on foreign affairs and his influence on American policymaking under the Republican banner has been considerable. His contribution in this field is called to particular attention at this time by the mounting crisis in Germany which has grown out of the contest between the British and the American-led Western Allies over the land that Hitler once ruled.

Russia's attitude apparently was more impressed with Dulles' actions for a settlement. In any event, the Russians in the conference, since then we have proceeded with a plan to establish a federated German state in the Western zones controlled by the United States, Britain and France. Russia has related by the Russian-controlled Eastern zone.

Mr. Dulles already has had a large hand in the formulation of the American program in divided Germany. He went to London last winter with Secretary Marshall to attend the Conference of Foreign Ministers on the German question. He made the trip in the role of a deputy or assistant to Secretary Marshall.

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Our Good Fire-Fighters

OF THE MANY useful services rendered by Charlotte by its civic servants, none is more efficiently and courteously administered than that by the Fire Department. Competence, enthusiasm and energy have been distinguishing characteristics of the many fire-fighters who have attained and has maintained a high degree of efficiency in the 21 years that it was under the direction of Chief Hendrix Palmer.

Chief Charles has assumed his duties as chief of the department with a high degree of efficiency. He has been a member of the department in 1924, was promoted to lieutenant in 1929 and became a captain in 1932. His only absence from the department was for a four-year period of service in the Army during World War II. He obtained valuable experience in the Army as head of the Army Fire Department at Camp Detrick.

Chief Charles has been a member of the department for 30 years, putting on the uniform at the age of 17. His progress through the ranks has been steady and his experience and knowledge fit him prominently to assume direction of this important function of the City Government.

Assistant Chief Munday is qualified by training and experience for service as one of the new chief's two top assistants. He became a member of the department in 1924, was promoted to lieutenant in 1929 and became a captain in 1932. His only absence from the department was for a four-year period of service in the Army during World War II. He obtained valuable experience in the Army as head of the Army Fire Department at Camp Detrick.

Chief Charles literally grew up with the Fire Department. His father, the late Capt. W. S. Charles, was at one time assistant chief. Chief Charles has never had any other major interest. His time has been devoted to the Fire Department and his experience, his knowledge and his capacity for leadership have equipped him for his new and important responsibilities.

Suggestion for vacationists: If odorous liquids of distaste and nets and sweaters prove ineffective, eat large quantities of salt. This will thicken your blood, and the mosquitoes, drinking your blood, will presently get the message of the arteries.—Jackson (Mesa) Daily News.



People's Platform
Ask For Peace, Talk For Peace

SOUTHERN PINE
YOUR line editorial Wednesday entitled "Misguided Protest on Draft" seems most appropos. While we must have the confidence in our citizenry to believe they meant well in urging young men not to register under the draft act, yet I am sure there are many who believe—as you do, that these same gentlemen of the clergy are much in error in their campaign.

What we are after is peace, not at the terrible price of untold men sacrificed on the field of battle as heretofore, but a peace guided by trained men, commanded by godly leaders who lead the path of nations wisely. Surely it is kinder to train men than ask them to go to the front if unjustly sacrificed.

You have "hit the nail squarely on the head" when you say that our foreign policy grew out of loss of confidence and faith, also that "our religious leaders will have to find more positive ways to revive our spiritual powers." Seems to me that "our people" and "our leaders" are the ones to "revive." What can be done to revive our spiritual powers? Why Not Try God? As Mary Pickford says in her book, and as it is the word of God, we ask Him: "What could possibly be more important at such a time of world crisis than to ask for spiritual guidance for this nation and the entire world?"

—MRS. DAN R. McNEILL

Confused Foreign Policy

I NOTICED in your editorial of June 23 you made mention of a confused GOP foreign policy. The Republican Party and the Republican President takes control of the White House and in the first line in sixteen years looks like to records of a real Confused New Deal foreign policy. To this very day the wandering Jew in Washington has not even a decent confused foreign policy. They are still in the experimental stage. They remain the British cabinet has been called into special session twice in twelve hours.

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I wonder if Truman and Marshall got a big kick out of falling Communism when Truman asked the people to buy U.S. Savings Bonds and the Marshall Plan to spend \$200,000,000 of our tax money in Europe. And indeed they have been invited to take part but Stalin figures that he would get more by staying out, which he no doubt did. When Stalin refused to go along with the Marshall Plan, he was told that the \$200,000,000 was aid to Europe to stop Communism.

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Drew Pearson's Taft Housing Bill Was Killed By Sixty

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Congressman Breaks Pledge

RUN-OUT COX—One interesting gentleman who walked down the aisle in the House on Monday was Congressman Cox of Georgia. He had been a member of the House of Representatives for many years and was known for his conservative views.

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IN THE long run, the political craft that they were also constantly mentioned by Dewey will gain the upper hand in the Republican Party. The Dewey administration is likely to be considered the most important in the history of the party.

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The candidates themselves, of course, express the change in the Republican Party more than any one else. Dewey's record, nothing needs to be said, because every man has heard so often ready.

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Dewey The Manager

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Alcoholic Haze

CHARLOTTE
INASMUCH as every thinking Christian realizes the danger of drinking to excess, it is not surprising that he every freedom is perilously involved and the question of Presidential and Vice-Presidential election is a matter for immediate concern.

For The Oxford Orphanage

CHARLOTTE
PLEASE accept our sincerest thanks for your help in completing the Oxford Orphanage. The orphanage is a place where many children are cared for and educated.

Politics In Education Office

EDUCATION BLOWUP—The U. S. Office of Education, which for long years under Roosevelt was kept out of politics, is now being pulled into the political arena.

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