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HEADING FOR RUSSIA — The Good News Singers of America were decked out in their red, white and blue costumes today as they left Douglas Airport bound for New York and then concerts in Great Britain, France and Russia. (Staff Photo by Steve Martin)

Singing Group Departs For Concert In Europe

CHARLOTTE — The Good News Singers of America left Douglas Airport this morning for Russia amid the good wishes of Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor and tears of their parents. Gov. Bob Scott was unable to be present.

The singers were to depart from Charlotte for New York at 11:02 this morning. However, a flat tire on the jet delayed the boarding until early 12:30 p. m.

The singers began to arrive around 9:30 this morning to check their bags and passports. The airline provided refreshments during the wait.

At 11 o'clock the group presented a

musical program and heard Taylor read a letter from Gov. Scott.

The letter said that music was an international language and the governor felt that the words of the Good News Singers would cast eloquent reflection on this state and nation.

Scott also named the singers official Good Will Ambassadors from North Carolina.

Bill Hobbs, state Jaycee president, presented conductors Van Ramsey and James Berry with his Presidential Award of Honor naming the singers as the Jaycees' official ambassadors to Russia.