

Highway Deaths In State During 1956 Lower Than In 1955

Tentative Figure For 1956 Is Placed at 1,096

Tar Heel traffic deaths last year came to a tentative figure of 1,096. Motor Vehicle Department officials report. Injuries exceeded 17,000. Last year's highway death toll was well under the near record-breaking toll for 1955, officials pointed out. Mishaps that year killed 1,165 persons, the second bloodiest year in state motoring history.

Delayed deaths—persons injured in 1956 and who die this year—must be included in the year's total, officials said. This will boost the final death toll upward somewhat. They estimated perhaps eight or ten additional fatality reports before the final figure goes into the record book.

Assistant Motor Vehicles Commissioner Joe W. Garrett termed the year "not too disappointing." He called attention to increases of three per cent in licensed drivers, five per cent in vehicle registrations and a jump of 10 per cent in vehicle travel mileage.

"Considering these facts," Garrett said, "we are probably fortunate not to have had any more fatalities than we did. Still, the slaughter of this many people in a single year is a shameful record we're certainly not satisfied with."

George Holmes Speaks at Rotary

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"The Rotary is essential among other things, we're community-minded. It's time to become dedicated as well as in the past. We're not civic-minded. We're one-legged reason. We're interested in every facet contributing to the welfare of our families and our neighbors."

"If that is our role then we as congregations need to work together more closely than we have been doing. When we fear opposition or lose security we fail as history has proven. God because of Jesus Christ would be disappointed with us if we did not tend toward greater cooperation and mutual assistance. Let us keep our identities for it is our right to express ourselves in different

ways, but let us be caught up in the 'community spirit'." Mr. Holmes cited our need to welcome nearby Marine personnel and to provide proper atmosphere and purpose for them during off-duty hours. He called for support of the four-county mental health clinic. He asked that we eliminate polluted waters, open wells, trashy backyards, junky places from our community. "The lack of cleanliness is a large billboard telling the world what our attitude is," he said.

The speaker pointed out how clearing our nearby waters would promote water sports and fishing. He made an appeal to be good examples on the highway and make Edenton a safer place in which to live. He called for good-looking storefronts, alert clerks and business-like procedures. He asked that we promote our historical buildings and grounds by proper maintenance. He reminded farmers that much scientific assistance is being by-passed. "Why not a Municipal Building, a library, and an adequate auditorium?" he asked. Finally, he asserted we ought to appreciate the talents of our youth such that some will want to remain with us in the future.

Prospects Fade For Drainage Relief

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1955 hurricanes which were destroyed or damaged and state the approximate amount of damage.

Further, the applicant must state that due to improper drainage of land along watersheds as a result of the 1955 hurricanes, he was unable to plant any crops during the year 1956, giving an approximate number of acres he was compelled to abandon for farming purposes and place an estimate of damage due to this abandonment.

The applicant must also state on his application that in 1956 he planted and cultivated a certain number of acres in the accepted manner in crops but due to improper drainage and wet condition of the ground the crops did not grow to full maturity and that the harvest was a complete loss or far below normal. He must estimate the amount of damage.

Chowan County Commissioners were hopeful that under the stream clearance drainage project, the county would be able to get some relief in opening up channels and making new channels in the various swamps and low lands. However, it is understood that what work is done under the program provides only for the removal of trees and debris blown into channels by the 1955 hurricanes. No

excavation work is done in way of making or deepening channels, so that if any farmer can qualify under the terms of the application very little relief would be realized as the result of present inadequate drainage.

However, the Commissioners agreed to send out mimeographed copies of the application so that if any farmer affected and so desires he can fill out the form and send it to Civil Defense headquarters in Raleigh.

Fidelis Club Social Meeting January 15

The monthly social meeting of the Fidelis NCO Wives Club will be held Tuesday, January 15 in the game room of the Staff NCO Club at 8 o'clock. Work will be begun on baby layettes to be distributed by the chaplain at the Edenton base. The club members are reminded to bring their sewing machines and knitting needles.

PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL MEET TONIGHT

The executive board of the Edenton Parent-Teacher Association will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the conference room at the Edenton Junior-Senior High School. All board members are especially urged to attend the meeting.

TRY A HERALD WANT AD

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT WHEREAS, James Norfleet Pruden departed this life on Saturday, December 29, 1956; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Pruden has faithfully and ably served Chowan County as County Attorney for many years; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Pruden has been identified with practically every movement for the betterment of our County over a long period of years and has given freely of his wise counsel, his time and his means to the end that our County might be a better place in which to live; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

FIRST: That in the passing of J. N. Pruden our County and State have lost one of its most outstanding citizens, the legal profession a brilliant lawyer and his family a devoted husband and father; and,

SECOND: That the Board of Commissioners of Chowan County extend to the family of Mr. Pruden our sincere and deep sympathy in their hour of great bereavement; and,

THIRD: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting, a copy sent to the family and a copy to The Chowan Herald for publication.

Done at Edenton this 7th day of January, A.D., 1957.

W. W. BYRUM, Chairman

Attest: M. L. BUNCH, Secretary to Board.

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