Crackdown Aimed At Drunk Drivers And Speeders

Anew effort by the State on speeding and drunk drivers on North Carolina highways was announced today by State Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety J. Phil Carlton.

In the announcement, made in Raleigh, Carlton pointed out that more people have been killed on state highways since January of this year as compared to the same period in 1977.

ince approximately 40 per cent of all traffic fatalities are related to speeding and 25 per cent are related to drivers known to be under the influence of alchohol, it is obvious that we must step up our traffic law enforcement in these areas," Carlton said. Carlton described a seven-

point program to reduce speed and drunk driving.
The program includes the following enforcement activities which will affect every North Carolinian.

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Unmarked Patrol Cars — Troopers will be patrolling in unmarked Pontiacs, Chevrolets, Fords, Dodges and Buicks. The old days of motorists just looking for that too familiar plaincolored Plymouth with solid black tires are over.

Increased Working Hours For Patrolmen - An \$818,000 grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Program has been granted to the Highway Patrol as an incentive to work on their days off. This will put an additional 375 patrolmen each week patrolling the state's highways looking specifically for speeders and drinking drivers.

Improved Com-munications — Because patrol communications stations operate on different frequencies throughout the state, the Patrol has purchased five hundred new 12-channel radios. This will enable patrol officers to communicate with

supervision.
Action Against Violators — Members of the Highway Patrol have been instructed to stop every vehicle on the highway which is exceeding the speed limit by any amount and to take appropriate action based on the offense.

Drivers giving the slightest appearance of driving under the influence of alcohol will be stopped every time. Strict Action Against

Drivers of State-Owned Cars - Secretary Carlton is recommending to the State Personnel Commission that any state employee found guilty of violating a motor vehicle law on a state vehicle be given an oral warning for the first offense, a written warning for the second and that he be dismissed for any subsequent violations. He is also recommending that any state employee committing a serious motor vehicle offense while operating a state vehicle, such as speeding in excess of 75 mph, careless and reckless driving or driving under the influence, be dismissed for a

first conviction. Multi-State Cooperative Program - North Carolina is presently working with 14 other states through which Interstate 95 passes in planning a cooperative

enforcement effort which will be called Operation C.A.R.E. (Combined Accident Reduction Effort). This program, endorsed by President Carter, will emphasize voluntary compliance with the national speed limit, high visibility of Patrol during holiday weekends, stricter enforcement of traffic laws in all states, more efficient movement of traffic, and more harmonious interstate cooperation in traffic enforcement efforts between

Increased Emphasis On Voluntary Compliance -Voluntary compliance on the part of citizens is the most effective way to save lives as well as the least expensive and least inconvenient for motorists. Traffice information services and frequent reminders of the Patrol's commitment to strict law enforcement will be in-

Carlton called motorists, North Carolinians and visitors, to comply with the speed limit and to cease driving after consuming alcohol.

"Let there be no mistake about it," Carlton said. "This is a serious program, not a cosmetic attempt to satisfy bureaucratic

requirements. When 65 per cent of the 1,500 highway deaths occur as a result of speeding or driving under the influence, we can no longer afford to think that violation of a motor vehicle law is any less serious than violation of any other

criminal law." Carlton added, "It is a crime to speed. It is a crime to drive under the influence. and this must be part of our total crime control program. No other crimes cost so many lives."

'Little Girls' Visit College

RALEIGH - Approximately 75 "little girls" were college co-eds at Peace College for the weekend of April 8-9.

The small fries...and some are almost old enough to be real "Peace Girls"...were special guests of the college during annual Little Sister Weekend. Among the visitors were Carol Baker and Liza Vaughan of Edenton, who were guests of Lori Baker of Edenton, a Peace freshman.

Special events planned to entertain the diminutive guests included a cookout, ice cream party and sports activities. They also had the opportunity to see the movie "The Sword in the Stone" Saturday night and to ride a bus to the First Presbyterian Church where they attended Sunday morning worship services.

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Grant Is Basis For Establishina **Reading Centers**

Two new Reading Centers have been established in the **Regional Education Centers** Williamston and Jacksonville, through a \$200,000 grant from the Coastal Plains Commissim.

According to State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Craig Phillips, the new centers will serve residents of all ages in the Northeast and Southeast regions of the state. It is the purpose of the centers to provide increased educational opportunities to students and residents of the Coastal Plains area through expanded and improved, programs in teaching.

Phillips also stated that the main purpose of the centers is to provide direct help to classroom teachers and administrators in grades 4-12 in teaching and administering comprehensive reading programs. The centers will also provide lectures, seminars, workshops, and give assistance to parents and community volunteers on ways they may help in teaching reading.

The centers will serve as a storehouse for various films, filmstrips, professional books, journals, games and magazines to assist both educators and volunteers in becoming more knowledgeable

Record Earnings Noted

record first quarter earshares and its principal nounced.

For the three months ended March 31, income before securities transactions and extraordinary credit was \$401,000 (\$.19 per share) compared to \$186,000 (\$.10 per share) for the first quarter of 1977.

After extraordinary credits of \$364,000 (\$.18 per share) in 1978 and \$166,000 (\$.09 per share) in 1977, net income for the three months ended March 31, 1978 was \$765,000 (\$.37 per share) compared to net income of \$352,000 (\$.19 per share) for the first three months of

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RALEIGH - Bancshares business continue to inof North Carolina, Inc., had crease," Lindley noted. "Average net loans during nings, James G. Lindley, the first quarter of 1978 president of both Banc- increased approximately 14 per cent over the first subsidiary, Bank of North quarter of 1977. Average Carolina, N.A., has an- total deposits increased approximately 7 per cent."

> Lindley noted that for the three months ended March 31, 1977, and 1978, Bancshares had pretax accounting income, for financial reporting purposes of \$354,000 and \$772,000, respectively, which was offset by available net operating loss carryovers and other deductions for tax computation purposes.

Accordingly, the results of operations for the three months March 31, 1977, and 1978 included federal income tax charges of \$166,000 and \$364,000, respectively which charges were offset by extraordinary credits of the same amounts

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- EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (University of Florida)
 - Master of Arts in Education-Counseling (Wake Forest University)
- WORK: Chemist-41/2 Years R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company Director of Evaluation & Work Adjustment Departments, Goodwill Rehabilitation Department, Winston-Salem
 - COA-Taught Human Resources Development Course
- OTHER: President of N. C. VEWAA; President of 8-State S. E. Region VEWAA; National
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