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## Population Study Has Interest In Location Negro Training School

This paper last week reported that the North Carolina Hospitals Board of Controls is asking two and a half million dollars for construction of a training school for subnormal Negro children, a school similar to Caswell Training School at Kinston for white subnormal children.

In pointing out some of the reasons that might be advanced for location of that school in Jones County it was noted that Jones County was almost halfway between the South Carolina and Virginia borders and it was also asserted that the vast majority of North Carolina's Negro population lived in what might be loosely termed Eastern Carolina.

A more detailed study of the official 1950 census figures as they are broken down by counties and by race indicates that Jones County is most favorably located insofar as the Negro population is concerned.

Dissecting North Carolina south from Person to Scotland counties which is, at least by political standards a rough division along the east-west line, one finds that the 1950 official census reports 738,914 Negroes living in or east of that area and only 341,559 living in the counties west of that dividing line.

The total 1950 Negro population of North Carolina stood at 1,080,473, which indicates that 73 per cent of them live in the eastern half of the state.

As pointed out in an earlier article, Jones County would be a centrally located site for a Negro training school and from these official census department figures this is even more true than originally expected.

It is unlikely that the State would engage in buying any high-priced Eastern Carolina real estate for such a school in

view of the fact that they already have sufficient land at Goldsboro to locate the school that has been asked.

But with the more than good likelihood of the Federal Government being agreeable to use of the Oak Grove Air Base as a site for such a school, added to the fact that Jones County has no State institutions, and never has, make this central location important enough for the full consideration of not only the people of Jones County who are in a position to further this location but also make it a duty of those in authority to give Jones County every possible consideration when the final site for such a school is chosen.

Basing the ultimate size of this proposed Negro training school on the white school of the same type, the school would need to be about one fourth as large as that of Kinston, which now houses about 1,500 patients.

To care for this size school the present budget now in operation provided for 310 employees, which would mean that a school of roughly one fourth that size would have about 57 to 80 full time workers, possibly more since a few basic workers would be needed in any size school and would more than likely run the school payroll to about 100 men and women.

The total budget this year for Caswell Training School was just under a million dollars which would mean that such a school for Negroes would have about a quarter to one third million dollars per year operating budget.

This additional payroll and expenditure for materials would mean a great deal in a small county such as Jones and would serve to some small degree to remove the county from its one-way tobacco farm economy upon which it now stands.

## Jones Ag Workers To Conduct Survey Livestock In Area

The Jones County Agricultural Workers Council, which is composed of the paid Agricultural Workers in the county, is exploring the possibilities of securing a Veterinarian for Jones County. It is assumed that such a Veterinarian would locate in Trenton.

To encourage a Veterinarian to locate in Trenton, the Agricultural Workers feel that he would want to be assured that livestock and small animals are sufficient to assure a Veterinarian of a full time practice.

Therefore the Agricultural Workers, together with about 25 volunteer workers are planning to make a survey of all the livestock and small animals within a 10 mile radius of Trenton.

It has been pointed out that farmers living further than 10 miles from Trenton would surely make use of a Veterinarian. However, the Agricultural Workers feel that a complete survey of the livestock within a 10 mile radius of Trenton will give sufficient information as to the size of practice that a Veterinarian in Trenton can expect.

The members of the Agricultural Workers Council feel that the farmers in Jones County need a Veterinarian located closer to them. This will assure the farmers of quicker, more economical service in solving their disease problems.

The survey will be made from Nov. 24th to 28th. The cooperation of every farm in this area is urged in this survey.

## BPW Club to Have Harvest Festival

The Kinston Business and Professional Woman's Club will sponsor a Harvest Festival Friday night, November 21, in the Old Knott Warehouse of the type that is guaranteed to please everybody.

A dance band, providing both square and round dance tunes, under the direction of Pete Frazier will be on hand and a number of raffles will be held of turkeys, hams and other excellent eatin's.

The BPW club sponsored Kinston's first recreational building, the field house at Emma Webb Playground, and raised the money for its construction and it intends to apply the funds raised in this festival toward an equally wholesome community effort, a spokesman said in announcing the Friday night affair.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has bought more than 12 million pounds of frozen, ready-to-cook turkeys from the 1952 crop.

## Kinston Tobacco Board Amends Earlier Ruling

Something over a week ago the Kinston Tobacco Board of Trade, worried by the threat of a warehouse-building boom on the world's second largest flue-cured tobacco market, met and among other things passed a resolution which attempted to limit the selling time that ANY new warehouse might have to four per cent of the total selling time of the entire market.

Since two local warehouse-owning groups already owned "new" warehouses they could not see the wisdom of this effort to restrict sales time for new sales floors and because of their attitude about the regulation another meeting was called in which that original regulation was "amended" to exclude these folks who already have "new" houses from this restriction.

However, the amendment did not completely remove all the teeth from this attempted effort since it still would prevent more than four per cent of the market's total selling time going

to any new warehouses other than those already built or already under construction.

One warehouseman who looked on the regulation with something less than favor said he feared that such a regulation would cause the Kinston Tobacco Board of Trade to be in jeopardy of Federal prosecution for violation of the anti-trust laws.

## Thanksgiving Service

The usual service of Thanksgiving will be held at Trenton Methodist Church on the morning of Thursday, November 27th at 11 a. m. In this service the soil and the harvest motif will be emphasized with congregational participation. "We cordially invite all the surrounding community to attend, so that we may all join together in this service of Thanksgiving and praise," Pastor C. B. Long announces.

## Jones 4-H'ers Holding Achievement Day 22nd

4-H Clubs of Jones County will hold their annual Achievement Program on Saturday, November 22. The meeting will be in the Courthouse in Trenton at 10 a. m.

The highlight of the program will be the presentation of awards to 4-H Club members for accomplishments during the past year.

J. R. Franck, county agent, will install new County Council officers.

After the program there will be refreshments and planned recreation in the Agriculture Building. A highlight of the recreation program will be an exhibition square dance team made

up of senior 4-H'ers.

Everyone is invited, so do your part in supporting the Jones County 4-H Clubs—the organization striving "to make the best better."

## Marriage Licenses

Jones County Register of Deeds George Noble has announced the issue of two marriage licenses by his office during the past week to: Robert Lee Morgan, 19, and Annie Lee Green, 20, of Trenton and to Warren Harrell Jr., 22, and June Huggins, 18, of Kinston.

## Maysville Winners In Clean-up Drive Named

The last of five projects entered upon by the people of Maysville as their participation in the "Finer Carolina" program of the Carolina Power and Light Company has been completed and the winners named in this "General Clean-Up."

First prize for white people went to Mrs. Myrtle Evans and first prize in the Negro division went to Georganna Dudley. The clean-up contest was sponsored jointly by the Maysville Home Demonstration club and the Maysville Rotary Club and members of both were not eligible to take part in the contest.

Other prizes in the white division went to Mrs. L. Morgan, who took the second prize, and Mrs. Pete Melville who won third prize.

In the Negro division second honors went to Blanche Matlocks and there was no third prize given in that category.

In addition to the clean-up efforts around a big percentage of the homes in every part of Maysville many empty lots were also cleaned off to add to the generally improved appearance of the community brought about by this campaign.

Another major part of the clean-up campaign was a project made under Mrs. Mollie Pelletier, who wrote letters to everyone having relatives buried in the Maysville Cemetery and asked for contributions toward cleaning up of this area. Mrs.

Pelletier's efforts brought in \$200 which was abetted by \$100 given by the Town of Maysville and this \$300 plus generous amounts of volunteer labor put the town cemetery in its best condition in many years.

Members of the two clubs, commenting upon the projects they had sponsored, would not make flat predictions about winning top prize in the "Finer Carolina" contest but they did agree that they believe Maysville "has a good chance."

## Lenoir 4-H'ers To Hold Achievement Day 22nd

The public has been extended an invitation to attend the annual 4-H Achievement Day Program Saturday at 2:30 in the court house at Kinston. 4-H County Council President Lynwood Rouse, Assistant Home Agent Nell Rankin and Assistant Farm Agent Walter C. Johnson Jr. promise an interesting program.

State, district and county 4-H awards won during the past year will be given to their respective winners at the Saturday meeting.

Highlights of the program will include the crowning of the county's Junior and Senior Health Kings and Queens.

The only speechmaking of the

day will be done by 4-H'er Glenda Noble who will deliver a short address on "The 4-H Club As I See It."

## Double Theft

Jones County Sheriff Jeter Taylor reports only one arrest in the past week and that was of Leon Shennon, who gives his home address as Concord, Route two. Shennon was lodged in the county jail in Trenton charged with embezzlement of some \$10 from James Durden of Tuckahoe Township and adding further insult to this monetary damage, Shennon is also charged with illegal cohabitation with Durden's wife.



Following his promotion to Captain at a ceremony in Korea, Charles H. Taylor (left), is congratulated by 7th Infantry Division commander Maj. Gen. Wayne C. Smith. The captain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Taylor of 706 N. College St., Kinston, and has been in Korea since May and is serving as assistant staff judge advocate of 7th Division headquarters. A 1950 graduate of Wake Forest College, he was a self-employed lawyer in Kinston before his recall to active duty.