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More Good Water For Kinston



Pictured above is R. L. Salter of Savannah, Ga., superintendent for the Layne-Atlantic Co. of Norfolk on the construction of a new deep well which will soon begin adding another great volume of water to the supply of the City of Kinston. The giant stream of water being pumped from the well is 100 gallons per minute. At the time of the picture Salter was running a 24-hour test on the new well which is located on

the old Country Club farm in the northwest corner of Kinston. For 24 hours Salter was testing the new well at the rate of 674 gallons per minute but he turned the pump up a notch for the picture here to the 750 gallon-per-minute rate. In this 24-hour test period the well delivered something over 770,000 gallons of the pure, delicious water that Kinston is noted for. The water comes from an underground strata 443 feet below the ground.

Week In Review

The Lenoir County Board of Commissioners Monday ran into a small bit of the kind of trouble that has been beating the Kinston Board of Aldermen over the head in the last booming few years. More than a dozen irate mamas, with many more than a dozen children descended on the court house and demanded police protection from the speeders in the Greenmead section just north of the city limits. The irate householders pointed out that a number of their pet dogs have already been killed and they want some action before a child is hit by the speeding cars which they say use their neighborhood for a "proving ground." They said they did not want promises, but action. The commissioners promised to study the matter when they prepare the 1953-54 budget. County Attorney Tom White was given the touchy task of informing the mothers of this "decision" which was reached after they had departed.

The Board of Directors of the Kinston Public Library Monday asked the County to boost the library budget from \$7,500 to \$13,102 for the coming year. Treasurer Tom Hewitt told the commissioners that the city had agreed to put the larger amount in the "tentative city budget," and he asked the commissioners to also give serious consideration to appropriating the same amount. The commissioners agreed to study this matter closely, along with all other budget matters when they meet at 8 Thursday morning to put the county's tentative 1953-54 budget together.

Monday night Kinston City Clerk T. W. Heath, City Attorney George Greene and City Tax Collector A. L. C. Hill were reappointed by the city council to serve another one-year term. No other nominations were considered for either of the three posts.

Russell Foster and Paul Baker were named to the Kinston Zoning Board of Adjustments Monday night by the city council, replacing Jake West and C. W. Howard, who had served written notice to the council that they would not be available for reappointment.

After five months of delay the city and county finally agreed Monday to allow payment of some \$387.84 for furniture at the airline terminal at Stallings Field. Airport Commission Chairman Linwood Scott had authorized the purchase when the Civil Aeronautics Board pointed out that waiting rooms were not much good for waiting without some furniture.

Tax Supervisor Milton Williams reported Monday that Roger Gant, president of the Glen Raven Mills, was still not happy with the tax listed values of his property in Lenoir County. A reassessment by the Cole-Layer-Trumble Company had reduced the Glen Raven listing by \$4,700 but in a letter to Williams, pointed out that he thought his company ought to have had a minimum reduction of \$32,000. This thought was not shared by Williams or the County Board of Commissioners.

Alternate Kinston to Morehead City Hiway Approved by Commissioners Of Jones, Lenoir and Carteret Counties

Monday morning the board of county commissioners in Carteret, Jones and Lenoir counties all unanimously adopted a resolution asking the State Highway and Public Works Commission to give immediate and serious study to the construction of an alternate Kinston - Morehead City highway that would run from Kinston to Trenton, to Pollocksville, to Havelock to Morehead City.

For some time now a movement has been slowly gaining momentum, largely guided by former Kinstonian Nick Walker, now living in Beaufort, who has seen the practical wisdom of such a bypass to New Bern and the extremely heavy New Bern-Cherry Point traffic.

Proponents of the effort to interest the Highway Department in this shorter, safer route have a great many points in their favor. Continued use of the present Kinston to New Bern to Morehead City route will ultimately necessitate the construction of TWO bridges across Trent River at New Bern. Last week the first of this pair was contracted for at a price of \$844,000. This bridge, however, will be in the downtown tip of New Bern and will not serve the best interest of those drivers who are merely heading to the coast.

In a letter to this paper two weeks ago New Bern Alderman Mack Lupton admitted that New Bern wanted TWO Trent River bridges — one to bring the Cherry Point traffic into New Bern and the other to take the heavy east-west traffic out of New Bern.

The alternate east-west route proposed in the Monday resolution adopted by the three counties most concerned would eliminate the need for the sec-

'Accepting Committee' In Action



The five men above were taking part in a "check accepting ceremony" that took place shortly after 11 Monday morning when Lenoir County Board of Commissioners Chairman Ike Whitfield handed out three checks totalling \$11,000 to aid the fire departments of LaGrange, Pink Hill and Grifton. From left to right above La-

Grange Fire Chief Earl Kinsey, LaGrange Alderman Clinton Spence, LaGrange Mayor Kermit Thompson, Pink Hill Attorney Harvey Turner and Grifton Alderman W. C. Chauncey are shown just after Chauncey had been handed the \$1,000 check for his town. Pink Hill and LaGrange each received \$5,000 for their fire departments.

ond New Bern bridge, thereby saving more than three-quarters of a million dollars for that second bridge alone, not taking into consideration the cost of the fill and roadway that would necessarily have to be built to connect this proposed bridge with the present US 70 east and west of New Bern.

No major bridges would have to be constructed in order to put the plan of the alternate US 70 into use. Grading and paving of part of the distance

between Pollocksville and Havelock would be necessary. But a major part of this work has already been done.

It would be wise but not absolutely necessary to widen the Trent River Bridge between Kinston and Trenton and also eliminate the sharp turn in Trenton by heading the road straight through Trenton and have it connect back into the present Trenton - Pollocksville highway at a point about two

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Old Mewborn Family Picture Shows Good Luck At Sport



This picture was taken a long time ago, but not so long ago that hunting and fishing were not a very important part of the "manly way of life." This old family portrait which must have come after an exceptionally successful sporting expedition includes the fathers, grandfathers and great-fathers of a great many Eastern Carolinians. Since the picture was found it has been impossible to identify everyone of the men in the picture but the majority have been

positively identified. From left to right they include: The first man, as yet not known; J. F. Parrott, a Mr. Rogers, not positively identified; Jimmie Mewborn, North Carolina's last Republican Commissioner of Agriculture; the next man was either the late Bob Wooten or Levy Mewborn, the next John Mewborn, the youngest of the two young men was Mike Mewborn. Parrott was the father of Frank Parrott, well known Kinston insurance and real estate man, Jimmie Mewborn was

the father of John F. Mewborn, well known farmer who lives near Stallings Field. The conjecture over whether the short man in the center is Levy Mewborn or Bob Wooten has not been completely cleared but it is hoped that it will be by the display of this picture. Everybody who sees the picture has one question: Where did they catch all those fish? That's one more thing that our research has not been able to determine.