

Army Engineers' Estimate of Cost to Control Flooding on Trenton River Passes Million

Each time the Army Corps of Engineers does another survey of the work that needs to be done to control flooding in the Trent River Valley the price tag goes up. The latest guess by the Engineers is that well over a million dollars is needed for the project.

The first and most immediate result of this guess is that Jones County authorities had to drop any idea of getting federal help with this work at any time in the near future, since projects costing over a million dollars have to have specific approval and appropriations from congress, while projects of less than a million can be handled in the overall allocations for such work by the Engineers.

On the basis of this latest guess Congressman David Henderson has recommended to Jones County officials that they let the Trent River Valley problem remain a part of the overall Neuse Basin Study that is now under way by the Engineers.

Congress has already given its approval to this study of the Neuse Basin, which includes Trent River, a tributary of the Neuse.

It was the feeling of Henderson that relief for Trent River Valley would come more quickly under this plan than from any attempt to set the Trent Valley problem up as a separate item.

A large part of the area under power of the Engineers is currently involved in the Neuse Basin Study and it is believed that this study will be completed this year, or early in 1964 and the recommen-

Hughes Hospitalized

Trenton Attorney George R. Hughes has been in Duke Hospital since March 15th, suffering from an acute respiratory infection. His condition grew worse during the first part of this week, and the latest information available at press time Thursday is that Hughes is still on the extremely critical list.

Boy Scouts Hold Camp Out and Plant Trees

Boy Scout Troop 109 held a camp out on the Willie Heath Farm recently. The purpose was to set out three acres of Pine trees.

Those attending were J. R. Franck, Scout Master, W. D. Parker, assistant Scoutmaster, Phillip West, Rodney Johnson, Butch Huffman, Ronnie Pollock, Charles Pollock, Phillip Cox, Ray DeBruhl, Gary Jarman, Kenneth Doster, Tony Parker, Billy Adams, Richie Franck, Jobey Arthur, Tommy Arthur, Leon Whaley, Jimmie Pollock, and Needham Bass.

Recorder's Court Clears 28 Cases' 11 for Speed

During the past week Recorder's Court Judge Nick Noble has cleared 28 cases from the court's calendar, including 11 speeding and eight charges of driving without license.

Those charged with speeding and the amount they had to pay included the following: Jackie Phillips Jones of Washington \$30, David William Thomas \$25, Garland Smith of Maysville \$25, John Charlie Brinkley of Stella \$20, Jeanne Dawley of Norfolk \$20, Richard A. Fish of Toledo, Ohio \$20, Raymond Smith of Temple Hills, Md. \$30, J. H. Gastall of Cranston, R. I. \$30, Levis Lamontagne of Quebec, Canada \$30, Benjamin Schreiber of Longmeadow, Mass. \$30 and John W. Miller of Monmouth, N. J. \$35.

Charges of driving without a license against George Thomas Pritchard of Peeksill, N. Y., Robert Lee Turner of Wilmington, Dora Jean Ervin of Kinston, Warren G. Franks of Pollocksville were all not pressed upon their bringing in valid driver's licenses.

Willie Hill Jr. of Pollocksville was fined \$42.50 for driving without a license. Robert Glen Ferrell of Maysville paid \$15 for driving with an expired license. Martin Van Chavis of Maysville paid \$15 for the same charge.

Other sentences included Carl Glenn Chavis of Maysville \$14.50 for improper equipment, Ivey Lee Smith of Cove City \$12 for improper muffler, Linwood Hugh Pollock Jr. not guilty of making an improper turn, Bobby Gene Bennett of Camp Lejeune \$12 for improper muffler, William Henry McBynum of Fort Bragg \$12 for improper muffler, George L. Kiet-

chum of Swansboro \$12 for improper brakes, Linwood Earl Turnage of Clark's \$12 for improper muffler, Robert Lee Gooding of New Bern \$12 for improper muffler, William E. Crockett of Cove City route 1 \$12 for improper lights, Herman Lee Carter of Havelock \$15 for driving on the wrong side of the road.

Infant's Death Sunday First '63 Jones County Car Death; Man Charged

Six month-old John Talbert III died on the way to a Chapel Hill hospital Sunday afternoon from injuries suffered in a head-on crash 9 miles east of Kinston on US 70 in Jones County.

The child's parents of Winston-Salem were driving westwardly on US 70 at about 3:05 Sunday afternoon when an east bound car driven by Camp Lejeune Marine Willie Torrence crossed into the wrong lane and crashed into the Talbert car.

Torrence was charged with drunken driving at the time the accident was investigated by Patrolman B. O. Mercer, and after the death of the child the negro Marine was charged with manslaughter.

Both of the Talberts suffered serious injuries. Mrs. Talberts had a broken left arm and serious internal injuries, while her husband suffered a broken right leg and other cuts and bruises about the face and body.

Both cars were classified as total losses by Patrolman Mercer.

This was the first highway fatality of 1963 on the highways of Jones County.

Land Transfers

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the recording of three land transfers in his office during the past week:

From Albert Howard to F. R. Dula .83 acres in Cypress Creek Township.

From Clayton Cox to Daniel Cox 1.25 acre and 1 lot in Trenton Township.

From R. P. Bender to Norman Jones one lot in Pollocksville Township.

SHOPPING ILLEGALLY?

Willie "Crip" Davis of 413 Beasley Street was arrested Monday and charged with shoplifting in a downtown store.

Mount Olive Keeping Free Will Baptist College

(Editor's Note: following here is the complete text of the decision announced Wednesday in Mount Olive on the future location of Mount Olive College.)

After months of careful study, and after a full day of serious and painful deliberations, the College Board of Directors last night made its decision regarding the future location of Mount Olive College. Sitting with the Board in an advisory capacity was the Executive Committee of the Free Will Baptist State Convention.

The decision before the Board was whether to retain the College in Mount Olive, where it had spent the first decade of its life housed in a former elementary building, or to accept the offer of a new home in the area of New Bern.

An exhaustive and painstaking evaluation was made of the advantages and disadvantages of both locations. The one objective of the Board, weighing all relevant factors, was to make the decision which it believed would best enable the College to achieve its educational and religious destiny.

The decision of the Board was to cast the destiny of the College with the Greater Mount Olive Community. The College will remain in Mount Olive.

Controlling Factors

Members of the Board identified the following factors which controlled their decision.

1. The larger number of high school graduates in a twenty-five mile radius of Mount Olive. In this area there are thirty high schools which in 1962 graduated 1,691 stud-

dents, 550 of whom entered college. In the comparable New Bern area, there were eleven high schools which last year graduated 589 students, 188 of whom entered college.

Population trends during the past decade would also indicate that the Mount Olive area will experience a larger increase in the number of college bound youth. The majority of the Board felt that with adequate financial support, Mount Olive College could meet the higher educational needs of this area.

2. The larger number of Free Will Baptists living in a twenty-five mile radius of Mount Olive. While Craven County exceeds Wayne County considerably in Free Will Baptist membership, it was nevertheless found that there are 12,314 Free Will Baptists from 73 churches within a twenty-five mile radius of Mount Olive as compared with 5,255 members in the New Bern area.

This ratio of denominational membership was contrary to what had been previously assumed.

3. Sentiment toward Mount Olive. The majority of the Board felt that the prevailing opinion of Free Will Baptists favored retaining the College in Mount Olive. The annual support which Mount Olive, Goldsboro, and surrounding communities have given the College and the free professional services rendered by local people have created an appreciative response in the minds of the friends of the College.

It was believed by the majority of the Board that the ties which have developed between the college and its community during the past

ten years, were too strong to be severed.

4. Dangers of a prolonged transition period. Although New Bern representatives offered attractive temporary classroom, dormitory, and recreational facilities for the term beginning in September of this year, the Board felt that the College was obligated to its students and faculty to operate during the 1963-64 academic year in Mount Olive.

Students have been admitted to the fall semester with the understanding that Mount Olive College would operate here next year regardless of its location thereafter. Likewise, freshmen students at the College have been assured that they could complete their sophomore year in Mount Olive.

Many of these students could not accompany the College to New Bern and they might be at a disadvantage in seeking admission to other good colleges at this date. Meanwhile, most students from the New Bern area has already made their plans to go elsewhere for the fall.

Furthermore, the College had announced to its present faculty that it would operate in Mount Olive next year.

The earliest possible date the College could have moved would have been in the fall of 1964 and new campus facilities in New Bern could hardly be ready before 1965.

The majority of the Board feared that a prolonged transition period would be detrimental to the welfare of the College.

5. Increased Community Support. The commitment of substantial fi-

nancial support from the present area gave hope to the Board that the College would have the means to achieve its destiny in its present location. Options on approximately forty-two acres of additional land for the College by the Mount Olive Area Committee was also a significant factor.

The Board accepted in good faith the assurance of the local committee that it would collect the pledges which it has already secured for the College and that it would set up a foundation that will provide continuing financial support.

The Board took special notice of the assurance of enlarged support and cooperation from Goldsboro.

Special appreciation was expressed for the public commitment of Dr. C. C. Henderson that 35 per cent of his estate will be assigned to Mount Olive College.

Appreciation to New Bern

Although the above considerations prevailed, the final decision of the Board did not come easily. It was recognized that generous and distinctive opportunities had been made available in the New Bern area under the capable leadership of Mayor Millns, Mr. William Jefferay, and their associates.

In a unanimous vote, the Board expressed profound appreciation to the New Bern area for its interest and attractive offer. It is the hope of the Mount Olive College Board that the work that has been done in New Bern will find a satisfying and rewarding response in another project for that area. The New Bern Community has too much to offer in natural and human resources to go wanting.

Conclusion

Now that the future location of Mount Olive College has been determined, our greatest task lies ahead. The work of demonstrating the value of Christian higher education to this community and the 40,000 Free Will Baptists of North Carolina must be pursued with renewed vigor. No time can be lost.

The College and this community must now join inseparable hands to assure that no qualified and deserving student in this community or the Free Will Baptist Church is denied an education for financial reasons. Let us proceed as free men in a free society who give voluntarily without being driven to the tax purse for our daily needs.

We must build a college with adequate facilities and competent personnel to assure that each student who enrolls here will be inspired and enabled to achieve the highest promise that is within him.

Above all, we must build upon that foundation of moral and spiritual values without which neither a college, an individual, nation, nor civilization can survive.

The controlling purpose of this institution is to "produce graduates who are thinking persons, committed to Jesus Christ, capable of moral choice, and having a knowledge of the fundamental forces which have determined the patterns of our civilization."

In the light of this objective, Mount Olive College willingly accepts its educational, social, cultural, and spiritual responsibility, believing that in these years, it is building upon an enduring foundation.