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Commissioner Langston Says Things Looking Brighter for Area Road Needs

Following a meeting with the full state highway commission in Raleigh last week Second District Commissioner Cameron Langston said things look a lot brighter insofar as the pressing road needs of the 8-county area he serves are concerned.

Largest project for the district includes four-lanes for US 70 from Goldsboro to Dover, with a LaGrange bypass. Langston, whose district includes Pitt, Beaufort, Green, Pamlico, Craven, Carteret, Jones and Lenoir Counties, pointed out that part of this project is in Wayne County in another district, and that it will not all be let at once, but should be well along with the more important segments ready for bids within two years.

An earlier effort is hoped for the four-lanes of Vernon Avenue in Kinston from Minerva Street all the way through Kinston to the intersection with the US 70 bypass west of Kinston.

Also Langston says a continuation of the expansion of NC 11 from beyond the DuPont plant to just south of Ayden is expected and that he hopes his 4-year term will see the completion of four lanes from Kinston to Greenville.

Among major improvements expected are four lanes for the full length of US 17 across North Carolina, a large part of which lies in Langston's district; in

Beaufort, Craven and Jones Counties.

Counter Indictment

This week a warrant has been signed by Ronnie Burns of Trenton route 1, charging Sylvanus Mallard of the same neighborhood with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Burns has previously been indicted for larceny. The two charges grow out of an incident on December 5th of last year when Mallard reportedly caught Burns and another man stealing gasoline on his farm. Mallard ordered the pair to halt but they ran and Burns was shot in the ankle.

CAUGHT IN VIRGINIA

James Edward Dixon of 1014 Bright Street was returned to Kinston Tuesday from Newport News, Va. where he had been arrested on a warrant charging him with breaking into the home of Rob Hasley of Kinston and stealing a shotgun, rifle and a box of "herbs."

LENGTHY SENTENCE

In Lenoir Superior Court Tuesday William C. Hill was found guilty of forcible trespass and was given two years in prison, suspended on condition he not whip his wife, go near his brother-in-law's home and also pay a \$50 fine and court costs.

Twenty Cases Cleared in Past Week From Recorder's Court Calendar

In the past week trials before Judge Joe Becton or submissions before Clerk Walter Henderson have removed 20 cases from the docket of Jones County Recorder's Court.

Probable cause was found of Lemmie Reynolds' guilt in a false pretense charge and he was bound over to the February 28th term of superior court.

John Robert Binquet of New Bern was fined \$10 for killing an antlerless deer.

J. P. Smith of Snow Hill route 3 and Harvey Lee Bearden of Swansboro were each before the court charged with drunken driving. They were each found guilty of reckless driving and fined \$100.

For speeding the following fines were levied: Dallas William Sutton of Camp Lejeune \$16, Raymond Carroll Ingram of Goldsboro route 6 \$26, and Charles Morris Meadows of Maysville star route \$26.

Those found not guilty included Annie Dunn Becton of Dover route 2 for failing to stop for a school bus, David Robert Tilghman of Kinston route 6 for speeding, Elars Wilson Shivar of Trenton route 2 for failing to yield the right of way, Richard Augustus Whitfield of Kinston for leaving the scene of an accident.

Nol prosses were issued in a speeding charge against Marie Martin of Sanford, Florida, driving without a license against William Toby Taylor of Richlands route 2.

Jesse Lee Clark of Trenton route 1 was fined \$26 for driving without a driving license.

Court costs were collected from the following for traffic charges: Lester Sinclair of Pol-

lockville route 1, Abner Lynwood Tyndall of Maysville route 1, Daniel Roscoe Martin of Kinston route 3 and Marvin Gooding of Kinston route 5.

March Beginning of \$2.3 Million Center in Kinston

Invitations for construction bids will be extended on January 26th for Kinston Plaza, the first major suburban shopping center in Lenoir County.

Officials of S. L. Nusbaum Company of Norfolk, the leasing agency for the center, say bids will be opened on or about March 1st for the first 160,000 square feet of building and the paving of drives and parking areas.

The estimated cost of this first portion is \$2,360,000. Leases announced so far include 61,619 square feet to Woolco — a division of Woolworth, 16,0684 square feet to Colonial Stores, 15,600 square feet to A and P, 11,684 square feet to Eckerl Drug Stores, 6,790 square feet to Firestone and 2,000 square feet to the banking facility which will serve the center.

Initial jobs in the area will run close to 300. Parking space for 1149 cars is to be provided.

The center will be bounded on the west by Heritage Street, on the south by Plaza Boulevard and on the north by Centre Boulevard. The triangular plot upon which it is to be build includes 15 acres.

A second project construction would include another 50,000 square feet with an estimated cost of \$800,000.

Three Jones Arrests

In the past week Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates reports the arrest of Matthew McDaniel on charges of public drunkenness and Lemmie Reynolds of Trenton route 1 for passing a worthless check.

Winter Hampshire Breeder Conference Sees 97 Purebreds Sell for \$55,000

The National Hampshire Hog Association completed one of its most successful winter type conferences in Kinston Tuesday with the auction of 97 animals for more than \$55,000 — an average of just over \$568 per animal.

More than 300 people from 21 states attended the 3-day event, which saw many North Carolina Hampshire breeders taking an active part in both the exhibition and the buying of these top meat-type hogs.

M. J. Pate and Sons of Staley paid \$3200 for the senior fall boar shown by William Sharpe and Sons of Sharpville, Indiana, and they also paid \$2,050 for the top bred gilt in the show, shown by Shady Sides Farms of Powell, Ohio. The Pates also bought the reserve champion open gilt for \$850, shown by

Ruben Edwards of Middletown, Missouri.

Ernest Hall of Jacksonville paid \$1900 for the prize-winning senior fall boar shown by Larry Tackett of Happy, Texas.

L. B. and Joe Outlaw of Seven Springs paid \$1450 for the

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Important Notice

All Jones County property owners are urged to keep in mind a recent decision of the board of county commissioners which could cost a pretty penny if it is forgotten. All persons failing to list either their real or personal property for taxes before the deadline date of February 15th will be charged a flat 10 per cent penalty of their total tax levy.

Jones County Population Drops 7.1 Per Cent in 5 Years; Duplin off 5.7

Final figures from the censuses just completed in four North Carolina counties show the population of Duplin County to be 37,959; Jones County, 10,221; Martin County 25,611; and Washington County 13,937.

Compared with the 1960 Census count, Duplin County Population dropped 5.7 percent, from 40,270; Jones County 7.1 percent, from 11,005; and Martin County 5.6 percent, from 27,139; Washington County population rose 3.3 percent, from 13,488.

The censuses were taken as part of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, which calls upon the Director of the Census to de-

termine for certain areas whether less than 50 per cent of the population of voting age voted in the 1964 presidential election.

From the new figures obtained in these censuses, the Bureau is able to estimate the population of voting age for each county as it was in November 1964. This figure, matched with the official count of votes cast, provides the percentage voting.

It has been determined, on the basis of these new censuses, that Duplin and Jones Counties were over the 50 per cent line, and that Martin and Washington Counties were below.

A printed report will be published later for each county, giving the number of inhabitants by sex, race, and five-year age groups for the county as a whole and for any incorporated places of 10,000 or more. For smaller communities and townships, total population figures will be shown.

These up-to-date statistics, providing current information about the population, will be

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Brothers Indicted

Two teen-aged brothers from Trenton route 1 and a juvenile have been charged with two instances of breaking into Jones High School in Trenton and inflicting damage to the building and stealing items and cash. The Brothers are William Samuel and Curtis Lee Phillips.

Deadly Weapon Used to Kill Three Last Thursday Night Near Kinston



This is the crumpled remains of a car in which three Lenoir Countians were instantly killed at 11:40 last Thursday night. This car travelled out of control for 293 feet before finally grinding to a halt against this very solid pine. On the Fire Tower Road southeast of Kinston, the car was being driven toward Kinston when it skidded out of control, mowed down a line of 10 fence posts and killed all of its occupants. They were Edgar Davenport, 32, of 703 East Bright Street in Kinston, Kenneth B. Houston, 20, and his sister, Mrs. Verdie Houston Miller, 26, both of Kinston route 2. Patrolman Earl Edwards said the speedometer in this wreckage was locked on 95 miles per hour. The rescue unit of the Kinston Fire Department was needed to remove the bodies of the brother and sister from the car. Davenport, whose father owned the car, was thrown 35 feet beyond the spot pictured here where most of the car finally stopped. The motor of the car was torn loose from its housing and travelled another 20 feet northwardly. (Photo by Kinston Police Department Captain Walter Thomas.)