

Wreck Injures Two On Bypass

Two people were injured Sunday morning in a wreck on the U.S. 17 Shallotte bypass.

Alfred Jerome Grant, 26, of John's Island, S.C., and a passenger in his 1979 Buick, Alicia Pollard, 22, of Charleston, S.C., were both taken to The Brunswick Hospital in Supply with minor injuries after the 10:30 a.m. accident, the State Highway Patrol reported.

According to State Trooper D.A. Lewis' report, Grant was traveling north on U.S. 17 about 1.2 miles south of Shallotte when his car was struck by a 1989 Ford pickup truck driven by Collie Wayne Long, 20, of Supply.

Long's truck was attempting to cross four-laned U.S. 17 on Old Shallotte Road (S.R. 1316), Lewis stated.

Long, who escaped injuries, was charged with a yield violation, Lewis reported.

Damage was estimated at \$5,000 to the Long truck and \$1,000 to the Grant pickup.

Truck Overturns

Two people were seriously injured when a pickup truck ran off the road and overturned near Calabash Saturday.

Terry Trell Clifton, 21, of Shallotte, was charged with exceeding a safe speed after the 1987 Ford truck he was driving ran off of Persimmon Road (S.R. 1167) about 1.2 miles west of Calabash, Lewis reported.

Clifton's truck was traveling at an

estimated 75 mph when it ran off the left shoulder, crossed the road, jumped a ditch and overturned, Lewis stated. The truck then struck a fence and came to rest right side up, he said.

Both Clifton and a passenger, Tony Sapp, 26, of Calabash, were taken to The Brunswick Hospital with serious injuries following the 1:30 p.m. wreck.

Damage was estimated at \$4,000 to the truck and \$800 to a fence owned by Oceanus Marketing and Management Co.

Driver Charged

A New Jersey man was charged with driving left of center in an accident that sent three people to the hospital Saturday morning.

Christoph Glen Dedrick, 20, of West Caldwell, N.J., was charged after his 1988 Mercury, traveling south on U.S. 17 about 5.2 miles south of Bolivia, ran off the left shoulder, slid out of control, crossed the highway, struck a ditchbank and overturned, State Trooper T.W. Caulder reported.

The car came to rest on its top in the ditch, the report indicated.

Taken to The Brunswick Hospital with injuries were Dedrick and two passengers, Mark Rullo, 21, of East Brunswick, N.J., and Andrea Laracucite, 2, of Oakland, N.J.

Damage to the vehicle was estimated at \$4,600.

Jumps Ditch

A Camp Lejeune man was

charged with careless and reckless driving after his pickup truck ran off of U.S. 17 about 6.1 miles south of Shallotte Sunday morning.

Scott Lynn-Staunton Wayman, 21, was charged following the 4:15 a.m. wreck, Caulder stated.

The 1991 Toyota was traveling north on U.S. 17 when it ran off the left shoulder, jumped a ditch and landed in a small clearing, Caulder reported.

Both Wayman and a passenger, Larry Hestler, 28, of Camp Lejeune, received minor injuries but were not transported to the hospital by ambulance.

Damage was estimated at \$2,000 to the truck.

DWI Charge Filed

Officers charged a Conway, S.C., man with driving while impaired following an accident Sunday morning near Calabash.

Levi Woodard, 19, was charged following the 2 a.m. accident, State Trooper B.L. Wilkes reported.

Woodard's 1989 Ford was traveling east on S.R. 1356 (Marlowtown Road) when it crossed S.R. 1302 (Shingletree Road) and struck a ditchbank about 2.1 miles west of Calabash, Wilkes stated.

Woodard was also charged with a stop sign violation, stated Wilkes.

The driver received minor injuries and was transported to The Brunswick Hospital.

Vehicle damage was estimated at \$4,000.

Kitchen Damaged In Monday Fire

No injuries resulted from a fire Monday night at a Midway Park mobile home on N.C. 179 south of Shallotte, and damage was restricted to one small area of the kitchen, said Shallotte Point VFD Chief Mike Potts.

Approximately 20 volunteers from the Shallotte Point and Shallotte departments responded to the 6:55 p.m. call to the Stacey Jones residence.

"We put it out right when we got here," said Potts.

He estimated damage to the stove and cabinet area above it as between \$1,500 and \$3,000.

The fire apparently started in the wall behind the stovetop on which she had been frying clams, Ms. Jones said.

She had put the pan of clams on, then stepped out of the kitchen. "I watched TV for a few minutes and then went to the bedroom and folded some clothes," she said.

When Ms. Jones returned to check on the progress of her family's dinner, the kitchen was filled

with smoke but no flames were visible.

"The smoke alarm hadn't gone off, but there was so much smoke it was hard to get to the stove," she recalled. "It didn't really spark until I lifted the pan."

She ran from the trailer, calling for help. Her daughters, Kendra, 9, and Heather, 7, ran out from a nearby home where they had been playing, then returned to seek help.

"Kendra called the department," said Ms. Jones. "She's a smart little thing. She watches those shows on

TV."

Potts said he was pleased with the response to the fire, which occurred in a mobile home park on Brickland Road about three miles outside Shallotte. Residences in the park are set up in close proximity to each other.

Shallotte Volunteer Rescue Squad also responded to the call, as part of a new mutual assistance routine that has both fire and rescue units routinely responding to the scene of accidents, fires and similar emergencies, said Potts.

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