

# Carolina Review: Ingram Disputes Newspaper Story

Ingram ... "He's right where he likes to be, in a fight ... and a fight with a big, liberal newspaper like the News and Observer, well, he's in heaven."

That's how one high-ranking state Democrat described John Ingram in Ingram's latest bout with the either real or imagined "powers that be."

Insurance Commissioner John Ingram's most recent struggle is with the Raleigh News and Observer, an outfit that he has battled on numerous occasions over even more numerous issues. Last year, Ingram and the N&O argued over the salary and qualifications of one of the Commissioner's top aides.

This time, the N&O has taken Ingram to task over the amount of time he

spends in his vacation condominium in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and the number of long distance telephone calls being charged to the state as a result of Ingram's Myrtle Beach stays. The paper suggested that Ingram might be taking more vacation time than is ethical.

There are no laws governing the amount of vacation that an elected member of the North Carolina Council of State may take.

The newspaper further charged that Ingram had not allowed ample access to telephone records in the Insurance Commissioner's office.

In response, Ingram came out fighting. Armed with a prepared statement at a Raleigh news conference,

Ingram rebutted each of the newspaper's charges — individually, and then proceeded to offer evidence which, according to Ingram, documented the unfair news coverage by the News and Observer.

In effect, the commissioner said he "never takes a vacation" and the phone calls to Myrtle Beach were business related. Ingram said he actually saved the state money by staying at his Myrtle Beach home when he had insurance business in southeastern North Carolina.

Ingram also maintained that the N&O reporter examining the telephone records had left the insurance department offices "with three hours left in the working day." He said the reporter had the option of coming back the next day but didn't.

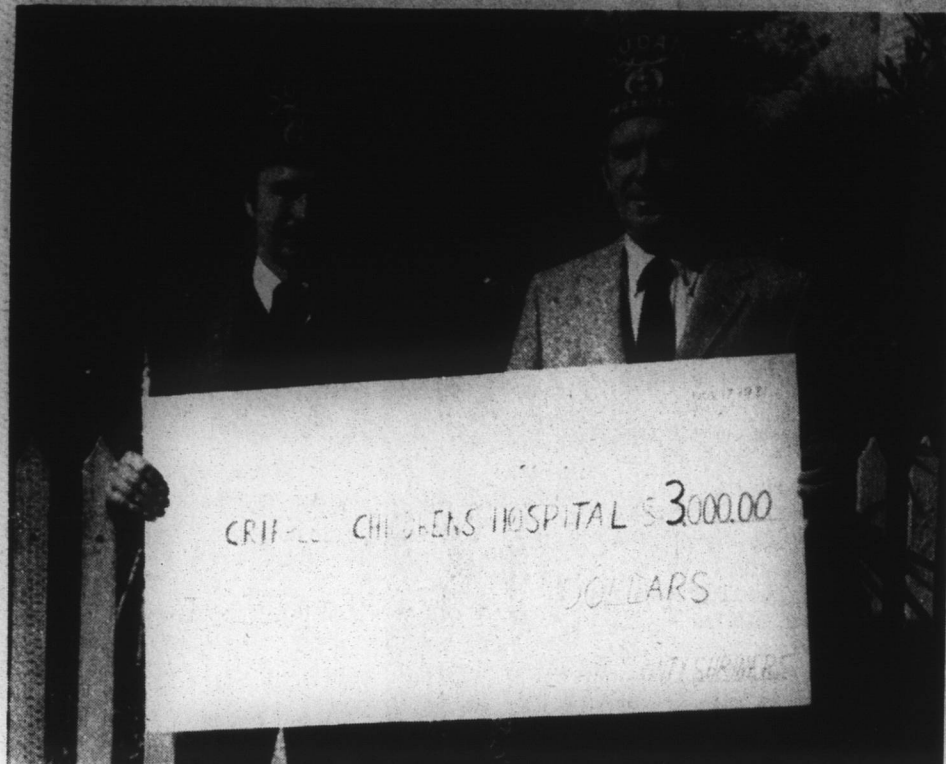
According to most observers in Raleigh, there's probably a little truth on both sides, but the same Democrat who suggested Ingram was in his element in this fight outright.

"People really don't care how many phone calls he's made, they think it's nit-picking," he said.

Hunt ... On a more positive note, but then again, depending on perspective, Governor Hunt got back last week after a 10-day industry and business-seeking tour of Japan and South Korea. The governor was back in time to spend Thanksgiving at his Rockridge farm near Wilson.

PCBs, you will recall, are the cancer-causing agents strewn along 200 miles of North Carolina roadsides. At one time, PCB was the most pressing problem in Raleigh and demanded immediate attention. Now the PCB's are covered with charcoal-laced asphalt and await court action on an injunction prohibiting the PCB gathering and disposal at a Warren County disposal site.

Gary Pearce may have come up with the definite statement on the whole mess. "We didn't put it in Warren County, we just put it in court," Pearce said. Some might suggest that's where it belongs, literally.



**SHRINE CLUB RAISES \$3000** — The Chowan County Shrine Club would like to thank their patrons for their support which has made the Annual Fish Fry a continuing success. The proceeds, which this year totaled \$3000 were turned over to the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital and various Burn Centers. Pictured above is Mickey Spruill, left, Fish Fry chairman, and Marvin Barham, president.

## Peanut Trade Is Moderate

Southeastern Section — Trading was moderate. Demand was moderate. Buyer interest was limited for nearby delivery on contracts due to earlier purchases. Shellers continuing to actively ship against outstanding contracts. There were no export sales reported in the Southeast during the period. Prices are cents per pound

for prompt shipment unless otherwise stated. Runners-shelled - jumbo including through January delivery 50; medium including through December delivery 43, January-June delivery 44; No. 1 occasional sale November - December delivery 40½; U.S. splits 43, January-May delivery 44; select December - April or June delivery 43.

Virginia-North Carolina Section — Trading was fairly slow. Demand moderate. There was some interest among buyers for longer delivery schedules but trading was somewhat limited. Shellers were shipping heavily against previous contracted sales with movement expected to slow down in the month of December. Some supplies of farmers' stock remained on the farm or in storage. There were some export sales reported on in shell stock. Prices are cents per lb. for prompt shipment unless otherwise stated.

Virginia type - unshelled - jumbo 42-43, November-August delivery 43-44, export November-December delivery 43-44½; fancy 39-40, few 38½-38¾, November-January or March delivery 40-41, export including through December delivery

38-38½; shelled extra large 51½-52, January-August 53; medium including through December delivery 49, December-March or April delivery 49½-50; No. 1 too few sales to quote; No. 2 with 60 per cent splits 39-40; with 70 per cent splits November-March or April delivery 42, occasional sale immediate delivery 40.

Southwestern Section — Trading was moderate. Demand was moderate. Most sales were for Spanish type with a very limited number of sales reported on the runner type peanuts. Quality of farmers' stock deliveries in Central Texas to date were generally good to very good on both runner and Spanish.

Edenton-Chowan Schools have released the following lunchroom menus for the week of December 7 - 11.

Monday — Applesauce, cheese toast and milk. Cheeseburger-bun, french fries-ketchup, pickle chips, pear halves, and milk.

Tuesday — Banana halves, assorted cereals, and milk. Fish fillet, green pepper slaw, potato rounds, ketchup, peanut butter cookies, cornbread, and milk.

Wednesday — Orange juice, little smokies, buttered grits or toast, and milk. Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, sliced peaches, rolls and milk.

Thursday — Orange juice, ham biscuit and milk. Beef-vegetable soup, sandwiches, crackers, pineapple up-side-down cake and milk.

Friday — Cup of fruit, doughnut, and milk. Deli sandwich with lettuce, cheese slice, green peas, orange wedges, brownies and milk.



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JOSEPH IMMEDIATELY HAD HUGE STORE-HOUSES BUILT TO HOLD EGYPT'S PRODUCE AND, WHEN THE FAMINE SET IN THERE WAS FOOD ABUNDANT—BUT JOSEPH DIDN'T GIVE THE FOOD TO THE PEOPLE—HE SOLD IT TO THEM AND, WHEN THEY RAN OUT OF MONEY, HE TOOK THEIR ANIMALS IN PAYMENT ON THE GRAIN THEY NEEDED FOR FOOD AND TO PLANT AS SEED....

FINALLY, WHEN THE FARMERS NEEDED MORE FOOD AND GRAIN, THEY HAD NOTHING LEFT BUT THEIR LAND WHICH JOSEPH TOOK TITLE TO IN THE NAME OF PHARAOH IN PAYMENT FOR MORE FOOD AND GRAIN—SO THE PHARAOH WOUND UP OWNING ALL THE LAND OF EGYPT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE LANDS OWNED BY THE PRIESTHOOD! THE PRIESTS, WHO BY TRADITIONAL LAW, WERE FED FROM PHARAOH'S STORES, HENCE THEY HADN'T HAD TO BUY ANY FOOD OR GRAIN AND KEPT THEIR LANDS!

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NEXT WEEK: TAKING OFF OF A SHOE IS A VERY SERIOUS MATTER!!

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