

FOR INSPECTION OF METERS

Ordinance Recently Proposed by Board of Aldermen For City of Wilmington—To Come Up at Next Meeting.

The following is the full text of an ordinance recently introduced at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, but which on objection to unanimous passage went over to the regular meeting of the Board in April:

Be it enacted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, N. C.

Section 1. That some competent person be appointed to act as inspector of meters whose duty it shall be to inspect and test such meters, and to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

Sec. 2. That such appointment shall be made at the first meeting in June of each year by the Board of Aldermen, subject to the power of such city authorities to remove such appointees in the manner provided for the removal of its other appointees and to fill the vacancy caused by such removal.

The compensation of such inspector shall be \$_____ per month, and it shall be paid by the City and such inspector shall upon his appointment take oath before the Mayor that he will faithfully perform the duties herein imposed upon him, and shall give bond for \$1,000.000 for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Sec. 3. The City shall provide and keep a suitable and correct apparatus for testing and proving the accuracy of meters by means of which apparatus all such meters shall be properly tested.

Sec. 4. No meter in service shall be required to be taken out for test, except where there is a doubt of its accuracy and upon the written request of the consumer as herein provided.

Sec. 5. That where any consumer, by meter, of electricity, gas or water, doubts the accuracy of such meter and desires to have the same tested, such consumer may file with said inspector of meters a written complaint of said meter and request that same be tested and shall at the same time deposit with the inspector the sum of one dollar to cover the expense of taking out and replacing such meter, and thereupon it shall be the duty of such inspector as soon as practicable to accurately test said meter in the presence of and jointly with the authorized agent of the furnisher, and also in the presence of the complainant, if he so desires, and shall give both to the complainant and to the furnisher notice of time when test will be made and a written report of such test.

Sec. 6. That if upon such test the said meter is found to be incorrect, in that it registers more than 2 1-2 per cent. too fast, that is, more than 2 1-2 per cent. more electricity, gas or water than it should, then in that event said inspector shall return to the complainant the said dollar deposit and the furnisher shall promptly adjust and repair meter or furnish a correctly adjusted meter; and the company against whom the complaint is made shall pay the one dollar cost of testing same; but, if upon such test said meter shall not register more than 2 1-2 per cent. too fast, that is, more than 2 1-2 per cent. than it ought to, the said one dollar deposit shall be retained by said inspector to cover the expense of testing said meter.

Sec. 7. That if upon such test the said meter shall register more than 2 1-2 per cent. too fast, as above defined, the furnisher shall reimburse the complainant at the rate at which the meter registers too fast for a period of one month back.

Sec. 8. That any such meter having been tested and found to be not more than 2 1-2 per cent. too slow and more than 2 1-2 per cent. too fast, as above defined, shall be considered correct, and such inspector shall so mark or stamp such meter, and shall keep a suitable record of same.

Sec. 9. That the said inspector shall keep a correct record of all inspections and make a report of same to the City Clerk and Treasurer once each month with all money collected by him for the said testing or inspections.

Sec. 10. That nothing in this Act shall be construed as to prevent any furnisher of electricity, gas or water from having free access to the meters.

Sec. 11. That it shall be unlawful for any consumer or his agent to tamper with or in any way change the meter or its connections so that it would not indicate the full amount of gas, electricity or water furnished, and that a fine of not less than \$10.00 or 30 days on the Roads, or more than \$200.00 or six months on the Roads shall be imposed for any violation of this section, and it shall be the duty of the meter inspector to prosecute any and all such persons.

Sec. 12. The duties of this position shall be the sole occupation of the appointee.

Sec. 13. This act shall be in force from and after June 1st, 1910.

Mrs. Margaret Deland is responsible for stirring up a pretty but unnecessary and belated controversy as to the changing of the womanly ideal. Of course it has changed with the times, just as everything human, except the fundamental things in human nature. But the controversy shows symptoms of branching off into a discussion of the still more absurd question, Has womanly beauty declined? Cleopatra with her conquests and her flaming course through the hearts of men should be a sufficient reply. Beauty, like handsome, is as beauty does. The woman or girl is beautiful that subjugates us, and when we find our greatest good, like Browning, "in the kiss of one girl," we may know, without applying standards, classical or romantic, or appealing to ideals, that she is beautiful. Such beauty, which is the highest of all, has never changed "since Adam left his garden yet," and it will never change.—Columbia State.

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We, co-operatively with the North Carolina Sorosis, have made special arrangements to give our customers, friends and patrons the above lecture for domestic science, and wish also to appraise the ladies of Wilmington that we we are going to hold a

Baking Contest

—At The—

Elks' Club, Wed., April 6th

Four Barrels Ringleader Flour FREE!

Mr. C. B. Harrell, representing The N. K. Fairbank Co., will call on our customers to explain and demonstrate the merits of

Cottolene and Ringleader

To the ladies making the best Cake (layer or loaf), Bread, Pies and Biscuits, the ingredients used being **Cottolene** and **Ringleader** flour, will be awarded prizes as scheduled below:

Cakes	Bread	Biscuit	Pies
1st. 4 lbs. of Cottolene, 100 lbs. of Ringleader Flour, 1 Jar Royal Scarlet Preserved Peaches, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by "SIWASA."	4 lbs. of Cottolene, 100 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 2 1/2 Cans 1775 Coffee, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by WILMINGTON GROCERY CO.	4 lbs. Cottolene, 100 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 3 lb. Can White House Coffee, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup by CARPENTER GROCERY.	4 lbs. Cottolene, 100 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 1 lb. Walter Baker's Chocolate, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by PEOPLES SUPPLY CO.
2nd. 50 lbs. of Ringleader Flour, 4 lbs. of Cottolene, 4 Cans of Van Camps Products, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans of Morning Glory Syrup. BAGGETT BROS.	50 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 8 lbs. Cottolene, 5 lbs. Can Caraja Coffee, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by E. H. HOLMES, AGENT.	50 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 8 lbs. Cottolene, 2 1/2 Cans Gold Medal Coffee, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by R. A. MONTGOMERY.	50 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 8 lbs. Cottolene, 1 Can Curtis Bros. Hand Peeled Peach, 1 Bottle Curtis Bros. Pure Maple Syrup, 2 1/2 Gal. Cans Morning Glory Syrup. Given by N. HUMPHREY.
3rd. 25 lbs. of Ringleader Flour, 8 lbs. of Cottolene, 1 Can St. Charles Coffee, 1 Can St. Charles Tea, 1 1/2 Gal. Can Morning Glory Syrup. SMITH BROS.	25 lb. Ringleader Flour, 1 Can White House Tea, 1 1/2 Gal. Can Morning Glory Syrup. AMAN BROS.	25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 2 Cans Banquet Coffee, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup. BORNEMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE.	25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 2 Cans Libby's Apple Butter, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup by G. E. BURNETT.
4th. 25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 2 Cans Autocrat Coffee, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup. J. S. WESTBROOK.	25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 3 Cans Cooking Oil, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup. MARTIN BRUNJES.	25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup by J. B. FALES, JNO. G. KUHLEN.	25 lbs. Ringleader Flour, 10 lbs. Cottolene, 1 1/2 Gal. Morning Glory Syrup by WILMINGTON TRADING CO. J. G. ITNER.

The Only Restrictions in the contest are that **Cottolene** must be the shortening and **Ringleader** the flour. Articles submitted must be presented at the Elks' Temple not later than 3:00 P. M. Wednesday, April 6th, when they will be numbered and submitted to competent judges selected by the Sorosis.

The Contest and Lecture Will Take Place at 4:00 P. M.

Sale of Articles Submitted In the evening the ladies will tender the public a reception when all articles will be sold at auction, the proceeds to be donated to the North Carolina Sorosis.

A. W. King & Co., Sole Distributors for Ringleader Flour.