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Wholesalers Win Meter Argument

Beaufort Board Agrees To Move Six Meters On Front Street

After an hour of arguing, which for the greater part was more logical than heated, William Way, of Way's Fish house, Charles Davis, of Davis Brothers fish house, and William Arrington, of Ramsy's wholesale house were granted what they termed adequate parking space in front of their places of business on Front street, Beaufort.

This concession was granted by town commissioners at a call meeting Thursday night at the town hall. It was agreed that two parking meters in front of the drive-ways at each place of business should be removed. This will enable large trucks to back up to the four-foot platform at Way's, Davis', and Ramsy's to unload.

In return the three wholesalers will pay the town \$150, each contributing \$50. The six meters will be placed elsewhere.

Mr. Arrington, who was the first to address the commissioners, flatly stated that he and the other two petitioners did not want free parking space, they merely wanted space to park.

"I'm in favor of parking meters," he continued. "I want them, but I also want space to get in my door!"

J. O. Barbour, chairman of the parking meter committee, asked what Mr. Arrington proposed in order to remedy the situation, and Mr. Arrington replied that they wanted it the way it was before the additional meters were put in about two weeks ago.

Mr. Barbour explained that this was done because there was talk of those three business places being favored over others, having space to load and unload.

The commissioners admitted, however, that the three petitioners had a different problem than other business establishments in that their entrances were four feet above the sidewalk.

Mr. Arrington pointed out further that he and the fish house owners paid the town once before for the privilege of having an entrance to their loading platforms from Front street.

Mr. Barbour asked the petitioners if they would operate for 30 days with the meters as they were, and if after that time, the meters still imposed a hardship, then an attempt would be made to solve the problem.

This the petitioners flatly refused.

Mr. Davis declared that in every other town with parking meters, loading zones were provided, and that if Beaufort didn't give them the consideration they deserved they would be forced to move their business to Harkers Island or Atlantic.

Leslie Moore, of City Grocery who attended the meeting, pointed out that delay in loading fish often means that a trucker may miss his market and if the market is shaky, he or his employer frequently stand to lose a lot of money.

Trucks recently have had to wait, the commissioners were told, until parking meter space was empty.

Mr. Moore remarked also that he was among those at first bitterly opposed to the meters, but said that if it was up to him to say now whether they should go or stay, he would say, "keep 'em."

Mr. Barbour stuck to his stand that no decision should be made at the meeting that night, but when it looked as though arguing would continue, Commissioner Graham Duncan moved that the meters be removed and the town reimbursed by the wholesalers concerned.

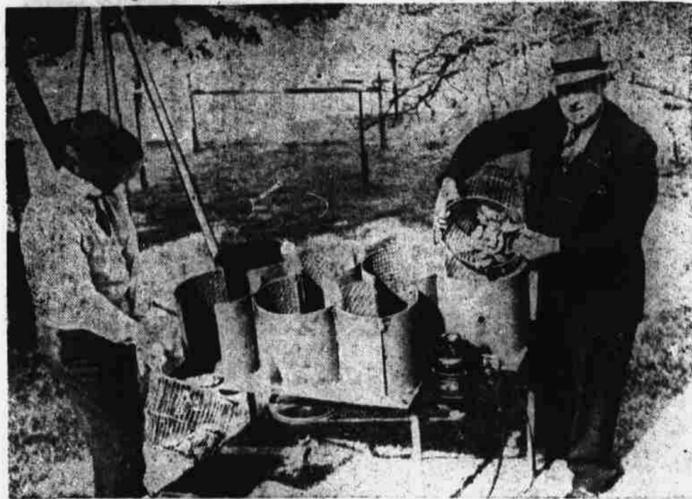
Those who attended the meeting were Mayor Lawrence Hassell, Mr. Barbour, Mr. Duncan, John Ratcliffe, Clifford Lewis, commissioners, (Commissioner David Merrill did not attend), William Hattell, town clerk, Mr. Moore, C. Z. Chappell, Oliver Davis, Chief Louis B. Willis, Jack Neal, Albert Chappell.

Mr. Arrington, Billie Arrington, Blythe Noe, Charles Davis, Hugh Salter, Coeh Chadwick, William Way, and J. N. Miller.

Croatan Ships Rat Bait To Kentucky Rotarians

Three thousand five hundred pounds of rat bait left Croatan Frozen Foods, Inc., Morehead City, for the Rotary club of Mayfield, Kentucky, Sunday. Croatan is the only plant manufacturing this rat bait for the department of the interior, which is sponsoring a nationwide rat elimination campaign.

New Oyster-Opening Machine Goes On Market



Dr. H. F. Prytherch, commercial fisheries scientist at the United States Fish and Wildlife station, "Iver's Island, is shown here with Leroy Schieder, right, inventor of a new type of oyster-opening machine which whirls oysters through seven metal drums, causing them to open.

The machine is a practical application of Dr. Prytherch's patented principle relating to relaxation of the muscle in bivalves.

Dr. Prytherch and Mr. Schieder met last spring at Manteo when the Beaufort scientist was making a survey of Albemarle Sound in connection with the Buggs Island dam project.

In the course of conversation Dr. Prytherch learned that Mr. Schieder is a native of his own home town, Binghamton, N. Y.

Dr. Prytherch demonstrated the machine recently at the annual conference of Oyster Growers and Dealers, the National Shell Fisheries association, and the Oyster Institute of North America at A. Hurry Park, N. J.

The seven whirling barrels can open 1,500 oysters an hour and reduces cost by half, Dr. Prytherch explained. The scientist is shown in the lower picture with oysters after they have been removed from the opener.

He has received so many written inquiries about the machine that it has become impossible to answer them all. The device will be manufactured, he reports, in New Jersey, and the first one will be installed in an oyster plant at Norfolk.

And the Lights Went Out

Power in Morehead City and Beaufort went off at about 20 minutes past 8 last night and wasn't on again permanently until 10:15 minutes after 9.

George Stovall, local manager for the Tide Water Power company, at presstime last night could not state definitely what the difficulty was other than that Cherry Point, from where power is relayed, went out and the entire load was thrown on the local plant which was unable to handle it.

Suburban Residents Express Opinions on Joining Town

Residents of Ocean Breeze polled by the Carteret County News-Times are five to three against becoming a part of the town of Beaufort, while Highland Park residents are divided, 50-50, over whether they want to be located within the town limits.

Ocean Breeze people who are against the movement, in general, feel very strongly about the question. Others, in expressing their opinions, qualified their statements with one or two "ifs."

One Ocean Breeze housewife said, "I'm definitely not for it. I don't think anybody around here is. What's the need, when we have running water and other conveniences?"

Another young lady, when told that for taxes paid she would get fire and police protection, garbage collection and other benefits, remarked, "Knowing Beaufort as we do, we don't think we'd get anything but the taxes."

Others who expressed themselves negatively on the question felt the same. Several men could not see how Beaufort could afford to pave the streets, and extend the

Miss Viola Styron Wins Title, 'Miss Morehead City of 1948'

Tension at Town Hall



Photo by James Gibbs

The windows were open and the stove was cold, but things were hot at last Tuesday's night's meeting in Beaufort where commissioners were bombarded with complaints about parking meters, railroad dust on Broad street, and extending the town's limits.

These pictures, taken at the meeting, are typical scenes of a commissioner's session when the town isn't being run just right in the opinion of its citizenry.

In the top photo, Mayor Lawrence Hassell is seated at his desk in the foreground, Claud Wheatly has the floor by the stove, and among the spectators are C. Z. Chappell, C. D. Jones, Jr., Jack Neal, John Steed, Oliver Davis, and Will Arrington, Jr.

In the lower picture, left to right, are Blythe Noe, T. T. (Tom) Potter, Roy Willis, Judge J. F. Duncan, Lockwood Phillips, and Clifford Lewis and John Ratcliffe, commissioners.

Convention Opens Today

The North Carolina Association of Commissioners and Auditors start a three-day convention today at the Ocean King hotel in Atlantic Beach.

Racing Freight by Air

Two and a quarter tons of printed matter for the Carolina Racing association were flown to Beaufort from Greensboro Saturday by Piedmont Airlines.

Sunday Crowds Swarm At Beach

Atlantic Beach was swarming with crowds Sunday. Those who sought secluded spots along the beach from Fort Macon to Ocean Ridge were simply out of luck.

Courie's at Money Island Beach, the concessions at Atlantic Beach, and Morehead City restaurants did a rushing business as well as the fishing camps along the causeway.

Airports were busy and route 70 traffic was heavy but, amazingly, there were no auto accidents. Summer cottages were brimming with babies, young folks and oldsters, while lots of people were eyeing the loss which will be put up for sale tomorrow.

Talk was mushrooming about a golf course—everybody seemed to have those proverbial tiny black insects in their pockets.

Recorder's Court Cancelled

Because of the civil term of court now in session, no recorder's court will be held today.

Miss Viola Styron won out over 10 other beauties in the Miss Morehead City pageant at the Rodeo theatre Saturday night to be crowned "Miss Morehead City of 1948," and become eligible for "Miss North Carolina" and possibly "Miss America" honors. She was awarded a large number of gifts contributed by Morehead City merchants.

The runner-up spot went to Miss Ella Margaret Morris and third position to Miss Hilma Chadwick.

The contest was divided into four principal parts. The girls were judged in both evening dress and bathing suits. They were then judged for talent and personality.

The criteria for high honors were beauty, voice, manner of speech, disposition, general culture, special talents, health, and similar attributes.

Point System Used

The girls were rated on a point system in each of the four main parts, with five points being awarded for first place, four for second, three for third, two for fourth, and one for fifth.

The contest opened with each of the girls parading first individually and then as a group onto the stage attired in evening dress. The same procedure was followed with each girl dressed in a bathing suit.

Talent Show Given

The contestants then put on a talent show. Jean Farrior sang "Desert Song," Wynne Hardman did a dance routine with Gale Guthrie, Ella Margaret Morris did a monologue, Ellen Gould did a ballet solo, and Orilla Hughes sang "To Each His Own."

Hilma Chadwick staged a roller skating waltz with G. K. Willis, Lucy Willis sang "Serenade of the Bells," Lorene Turner played a medley of "Tonight We Love" and "That's My Desire" on the piano, Lois Chadwick did a tap dance to "Dark Town Strutters Ball," Nellie Bell did a monologue, and Viola Styron presented a Spanish Dance with Clifton Phillips as a partner.

Of the original contestants, only five were eligible for the final phase of the judging, which was a personality rating. The five girls consisted of the three winners plus Jean Farrior and Ellen Gould.

Master of Ceremonies Harold Sampson quizzed each of the girls in order to stimulate an impromptu conversation. The winners were then weeded out of these five.

Mayor George W. Dill crowned Miss Styron as the new beauty queen, and when he asked her to say something, the winner excitedly spluttered:

"Oh, gee! I don't know what to say, I'm so happy. I would like to thank you, the judges, and the Morehead City Jaycees for making me "Miss Morehead City." Right now I'm the happiest girl in the world!"

Throughout the pageant, last year's "Miss Morehead City," Corretta Thompson, reigned from a throne in the background of the stage. At her side she had the king and queen of the Jaycees' Kiddie contest, Buddy Garner, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Garner, and Dottie Chalk, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chalk.

The judges of the contest were Mrs. R. F. Conley, Miss Arlene McClane, and Capt. McClure, U. S. Marines.

Women who coached the girls in rehearsals were Mrs. A. T. Leary, Mrs. W. C. Carlton, Mrs. Bertha Stallings, and Mrs. Maude E. Mayer.

The second and third place winners, respectively, won a wrist watch and a radio. All the rest of the long list of prizes were awarded to Miss Styron.

Gifts Presented

The gifts presented were as follows: Whiteway Laundry, \$10 in service; The Beaufort Nook, permanent wave; Morehead City Beauty Salon, manicure, shampoo, and See MISS MOREHEAD Page 7

Postmaster Webb Receives Commendation on Meeting

Letters commending Postmaster Harold Webb on his handling of the recent convention of the State Association of Postmasters at Morehead City and Atlantic Beach are arriving on his desk in batches.

Among those who have written are J. Tracy Moore, Greensboro postmaster; J. Harmon Linville, Kernersville, associate editor of Tar Heel Postmaster; Pearl E. Linville, Oak Ridge, state secretary of the association and vice-president of the national body of postmasters; William G. Henry, Washington, D. C., public relations counsel for Capital Airlines.

Carteret Clubs Win District Gavel

Carteret County home demonstration clubs won the attendance gavel awarded annually at the district meeting Thursday at New Bern for some, proportionately, the longest distance with the largest number of club members.

Forty-one Carteret club women attended the 20th district meeting where they heard Miss Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent. They left by bus at 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

The meeting was held in the recreation building at New Bern and was attended by women from Jones, Craven, and Pamlico counties which are included in district 20 with Carteret. The annual meeting last year was held at Atlantic Beach with local club members as hostesses.

Next year's meeting will be in June at Trenton, Jones county. During the course of Thursday's meeting Mrs. B. F. Copeland, president of the county council, read a report of Carteret's accomplishments during the year which was written in rhyme by Mrs. Hugh P. Ke. Mrs. P. Ke also responded to welcoming addresses.

Mrs. Carrie Gillikin, home demonstration agent, termed the meeting a success and remarked that local club women are going to do their best to retain the attendance gavel by having the largest delegation at next year's meeting in Trenton.

Next Thursday, June 24, home demonstration clubs will stage a flower show and dress revue. Time and place will be announced later.

Tobacco Farmers To Tour Farms

Lawrence A. Garner, supervisor of the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation district, has announced that a soil conservation field tour will be conducted at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon at Samuel Pollard and Floyd Garner's farms. All county tobacco farmers are invited to attend. They will meet on Mr. Pollard's farm where it borders route 70 north of Newport and at Newport high school.

On this tour farmers will see most of the soil conserving practices recommended for well-drained soils being properly used on the land. This includes terracing, contour tillage, contour strip cropping, a special row arrangement for tobacco, permanent seriesa legpedeza meadows, a two-year tobacco small grain rotation, crop rotation, a wildlife border, and timber stand improvement.

Erosion and drowning of tobacco have been major problems on these two farms in past years. Now Mr. Pollard and Mr. Garner have worked out a method of farming the land in cooperation with the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation District which is controlling erosion and managing the rain water in such a way that it no longer pockets in the low places.

Another soil conservation practice being used which will interest most tobacco farmers is the two-year tobacco small-grain rotation which is the best tobacco disease-controlling rotation known.

Mr. Pollard attends the veteran's farmer training program where Floyd Garner is an assistant instructor under the supervision of C. S. Long, Vocational Agriculture teacher.

The farm tour will be conducted by Robert Williams, county agent, and the timber stand improvement work will be explained by Roy Beck, county soil conservationist.

Tide Table

HIGH	Tuesday, June 15	LOW
2:38 AM		9:05 AM
3:18 PM		9:58 PM
Wednesday, June 16		
3:40 AM		10:00 AM
4:17 PM		10:59 PM
Thursday, June 17		
4:40 AM		10:55 AM
5:13 PM		11:55 PM
Friday, June 18		
5:34 AM		11:46 AM
6:05 PM		