

Legislative Error Cripples State Fisheries Division

1951 Law Lifts Taxes on All Seafood Except Oysters

The 1951 North Carolina legislature dropped a bomb on the state commercial fisheries department, but the department didn't know it until this month. The general assembly inadvertently repealed all legislation providing for licensing and taxing of every type of seafood except oysters, thus cutting fisheries division revenue \$25,000 annually.

C. D. Kirkpatrick, law enforcement officer for the commercial fisheries division of the Board of Conservation and Development, said that he believes the taxes cannot be restored until the next meeting of the legislature.

One-Third Cut
The yearly fisheries division revenue has been cut one-third, Kirkpatrick said. "They have certainly crippled us," he declared. "Some of the taxes have been sent in, but we've had to turn them back. We can't take anything that we are not entitled to by law."

The tragic legislative error came to light in the office of the commercial fisheries division within the past several days.

Section Repealed
Kirkpatrick said that in reviewing the laws which have just been printed and mailed out from Raleigh, he noticed that all of section 164 has been repealed. The fisheries committee had asked that a portion of that section, relating to the oyster tax, be stricken, because provision for the oyster tax is included in another section. However, according to the law enforcement officer, all of 164 was wiped off the books.

"I wanted to read the laws before they were enacted," Kirkpatrick declared, "but I was not given the opportunity to do so."

He said that the slashing of revenue for the commercial fisheries division means that they will have to get rid of personnel and curtail use of lots of essential equipment unless the governor helps out with the emergency fund, the law enforcement officer said.

Lifting taxes and thereby reducing to a trickle the lifeblood of the commercial fisheries division will not put more money in the pockets of fishermen, Kirkpatrick explained, because most of the tax money was collected from dealers.

"It will merely mean more money in dealers' pockets," he said.

No meeting has been conducted by the commercial fisheries committee in regard to the revenue error. Kirkpatrick stated that as yet the situation is not generally known.

175 Demolays Attend Conclave

Carteret Chapter, Franklin Lodge Entertain State Association

One hundred seventy-five members of Demolay are attending the 28th annual conclave, Carolina Association, Order of Demolay, in Beaufort and Morehead City.

Hosts to the young men are Carteret chapter, Order of Demolay, and Franklin lodge No. 109, Beaufort. The three-day session, which opened Sunday, will close tonight with a semi-formal dance at the Carteret Recreation center, Morehead City.

To Elect Officers
State officers will be elected at the business session at 10 o'clock this morning in the auditorium of Beaufort high school and the site for the 29th annual conclave will be chosen.

Following lunch there will be a tour of Fort Macon. At the banquet tonight at the Fish Meal co., Beaufort, the speaker will be William J. Bundy, Greenville, solicitor for the fifth district.

New Bernian Speaks
The program opened at 7:30 Sunday night with a talk by Garrison Farrow, New Bern. He was introduced by Dan Walker, town clerk and manager of the chamber of commerce, who also officially welcomed the Demolays to Beaufort and Carteret county.

Farrow is a past master of the Doric lodge, New Bern, an honorary member of Franklin lodge, Beaufort, past high priest of York Rite bodies and is at present lecturer for the grand lodge of North Carolina.

At yesterday morning's business session Billy Downum of Beaufort welcomed Demolays and Don McNeil, High Point, gave the response. Initiatory and Demolay degrees were conferred following the business session.

Advisors and past master counselors attended breakfast meetings at the Jefferson restaurant, Morehead City, yesterday morning.

Tour Park
Following lunch the boys toured Fort Macon State park and went swimming. An informal dance at the recreation center concluded yesterday's activities.

Carteret Demolays in charge of arranging the conclaves are Brian Loflin, transportation and signs, Ivey Mason, dates; George Eastman, fishing trips; Marion Noe, housing; banquet and dances, Gary Copeland and Billy Downum; and conclave advisor is Wiley H. Taylor, jr., councillor for the Carteret chapter.

The executive board of the Carteret county Community Concerts association met Sunday afternoon at the Inlet inn, Beaufort, with John Thayer of the Columbia Concert Artists bureau, to plan for concerts which will be held here next year.

Thayer replaces Mrs. Marjorie Lee, who will be unable to return this year because of illness in her family.

The opening dinner for the concerts will be held Monday, Sept. 24, in Morehead City, with the Morehead City Parent-Teacher association sponsoring the dinner.

The campaign to sell the concert series tickets will begin Monday, Oct. 1, and will continue that week.

Present at the meeting Sunday were the president, Mrs. Charles Hassell; secretary, Mrs. G. W. Duncan; treasurer, J. R. Sanders; the general chairman, Mrs. W. L. Woodard; and the co-chairman of ticket sales, Mrs. A. B. Roberts and Mrs. Glenn Adair.

All the officers agreed to continue in their present offices at the request of Thayer.

City Clerk Receives Thanks for Cavalcade Aid

John E. Lashley, Morehead City clerk, has received a letter of thanks from George E. London, president of the Raleigh Kiwanis club for his assistance prior to and during the visit here of orphanage children from Raleigh.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the part you and your office played in making the Kiwanis Beach Cavalcade a success on Saturday, June 2. For your contribution in spreading so much sunshine in so few hours to so many young lives, I extend my sincere appreciation," London declared.

Judge Leo Carr Charges Jury

Jurist Speaks Harshly Against Violators of Motor Vehicle Laws

With admonition to be aware of their duties in presenting to the court conditions of law violation which have not been noticed by law enforcement officers, Judge Leo Carr of Burlington, opened the June 1951 criminal term of superior court yesterday morning.

The grand jurors were given instruction on passing on bills of indictment, were asked to visit county offices, the county jail, the Newport prison camp, ascertain whether public officials are carrying out their duties, and to review the recommendations made by the past two grand juries.

Judge Carr stated that it was not mandatory that prior recommendations be carried out, but suggested that the present jury recheck conditions commented upon in previous reports.

He asked that the grand jurors bring before the court information on any persons engaged illegally in professional gambling, also persons who are violating the prohibition law, if they have not already been apprehended.

Judge Carr was unostentatious in his condemnation of speeders and violators of motor vehicle laws. "We're going to continue slaughtering our highways until there is created a feeling on the part of the people that those who violate traffic laws are dangerous criminals," the jurist said.

Considering all the officers patrolling the highways, Judge Carr expressed the opinion that people should observe traffic laws better than they do.

He remarked that the comment, "That road is hot," means lots of patrolmen are on it. "In other words," the judge continued, "people believe they can do what they want as long as officers are not around."

Judge Carr further stated that violators of the motor vehicle code should be held in disrespect in the same manner as is the man who steals.

Members of the grand jury are H. H. Davis, foreman; Linwood Hancock, Earl M. Noe, Joseph Davis, Jasper Morris, Allen Davis, Irredell Murphy, C. T. Whitehead, Fulford Willis, R. P. Gooding, Edward T. Nelson.

Charlie Allgood, Ed F. Gillikin, C. D. Cannon, L. C. Smith, C. R. Pake, B. L. Jones, and C. B. Chadwick. Officer of the grand jury is Capt. Charlie Thomas.

Added to venire of petit jurors, who were also sworn in yesterday morning, were E. J. Smith, Kenneth Moore, B. F. Copeland, Hamlin Salter, Jewel A. Smith, and Bruce Willis.

Civil cases will be tried next week.

Newport Board Undertakes Procedure to Extend Limits

OPS Official Will Confer With Businessmen Friday

Newport's town limits will be extended to include the new veterans' west subdivision under provisions of a resolution unanimously passed by the town commissioners at the first meeting of the reorganized board Thursday night at the town hall.

First order of business was installation of the mayor and commissioners elected in May to serve for the ensuing two years. They are C. A. Gould, jr., who succeeds A. R. Craig, Ormsby Mann, S. E. Mann, M. D. McCain, and newly-elected commissioners, D. Ira Garner and Edgar Hibbs who succeeded Henry Edwards and R. L. Pruitt.

Because property owners in the subdivision have already unanimously signified their willingness to be taken into the town and because there are less than 25 registered voters in the area, annexation is a matter of legal routine.

The commissioners also passed a resolution to enable the town to avail itself of the road building and maintenance funds under the Powell bill.

Race Track Will Spend \$20,000 For Advertising

Carolina Racing association will spend at least \$20,000 this season to advertise not only its famous dog track at Morehead City but the recreational highlights of Carteret county as well.

This week's advertising budget, the big half page dog track opening ads, the radio program openers and other extra forms of advertising will require an expenditure of more than \$7,000.

After this week, the advertising expenditure will level off to about \$1,500 every week.

This is not only the largest single advertising budget designed to promote Carteret county as well as an individual business, but a budget equal to the sum of all Carteret county recreational advertising budgets of previous years.

As in the past three years the backbone of the Carolina Racing association advertising will be that advertising placed with newspapers. Supplementing newspaper advertising will be radio, billboards and posters.

Newspapers which will carry the ads are: Raleigh News & Observer, THE NEWS-TIMES, Wilmington Star-News, Greensboro Daily News, Durham Herald-Sun, Raleigh Times, Washington News, Greenville Reflector, Rocky Mount Telegram, Wilson Times, New Bern Sun-Journal, Jacksonville News & Views, Fayetteville Observer, and Goldsboro News-Argus.

The letter to Mayor Hassell from R. Kenneth Scott, chief engineer, North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau, follows:

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to advise that effective May 31, 1951, we have put into effect the new classification of National Board of Fire Underwriters Sixth Grade of the town of Beaufort, N. C., due to improvements which have been made in the fire defenses of your good city. We thought that you would like to have this information.

Yours very truly
R. Kenneth Scott
Chief Engineer

Woman Forfeits Bond of \$50

Hazel Williams forfeited \$50 bond in Beaufort mayor's court yesterday when she failed to appear before Mayor Lawrence W. Hassell to answer to an assault with a deadly weapon charge.

According to Chief of Police Louis B. Willis, Viola Jones was cut with a butcher knife wielded by the Williams woman Saturday night.

The two women, both Negroes, are members of the migrant laborers' crew living near the tomato cannery on the Lennoxville road.

The defendant told police when she was apprehended that the Jones girl owed her \$2.50 and that one time in Florida her debtor went after her (Hazel) with a knife.

Three stitches were required to close the wound in the Jones' woman's head.

Willie Hodges, also a member of the migrant laborers' crew, received a severe head injury in a fracas early Sunday morning. He was admitted to Morehead City hospital at 10 a. m. Sunday and was discharged yesterday.

In Beaufort mayor's court Essie Mae Tiller paid \$10 and costs on a charge of disorderly conduct.

4-H Advisers Set Deposit Deadline

Tomorrow is the deadline for mailing 4-H camp deposits to the farm and home agents' offices. Any 4-H club members planning to attend camp at Manteo next week must mail their \$1 deposit to their advisers, Mrs. Carrie Gillikin or James Allgood.

The room and board fee at camp will be \$11. Transportation charge will be \$5 and there will be incidental expenses in addition, according to Allgood.

Ten boys and girls have already registered for camp. They are the following: Anita Louise Willis, Jeanette Willis, Hazel Lynch, all of Smyrna; Linda Smith, Atlantic; Crawford Pigott, Gloucester; Barbara Olsen, Morehead City; Ruth Wade and Nancy J. Willis, Williston; Harlan B. Carraway, Newport; and Elbert C. Meares, Gloucester.

Campers will assemble at the Beaufort court house annex at 7:30 Monday morning. They will return from Manteo Saturday, June 23. Only the first 25 sending in their deposit will be able to attend the camp, Allgood said. Counselors will accompany the group.

Tide Table

| Tides at Beaufort Bar | | |
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| | Tuesday, June 12 | Wednesday, June 13 |
| HIGH | 7:15 a.m. | 8:05 a.m. |
| LOW | 7:51 p.m. | 8:55 p.m. |
| Thursday, June 14 | | |
| HIGH | 8:59 a.m. | 9:59 p.m. |
| LOW | 9:59 p.m. | 11:01 p.m. |
| Friday, June 15 | | |
| HIGH | 9:55 a.m. | |
| LOW | 11:01 p.m. | |

Health Office Releases Ratings on Meat Markets

The Carteret County Health department recently released the sanitation grades of meat markets, restaurants, hotels, and dairies for the first quarter of 1951. Grades for meat markets appear below. Ratings for the other establishments appeared in Friday's NEWS-TIMES.

A grade of 90 to 100 is A; 80 to 89, B, and 70 to 79, C.

Atlantic: Luther Smith Grocery Market, 84; Winston Hill Grocery Market, 83.

Beaufort and Beaufort route 1: Potter's Grocery Meat Market, 93; City Grocery Meat Market, 91.5; Ivey Chadwick's Grocery Meat Market, 91.5; Ann Street Grocery Meat Market, 91.

A & P Grocery Meat Market, 91; C. D. Jones & Co. Meat Market, 91; Simmons Grocery Meat Market, 91; S & P Grocery Meat Market, 91; Peterson's Grocery Meat Market, 90.

Connor's Grocery Meat Market, 83.5; Pender's Colonial Grocery Meat Market, 83.5; Hardesty's Abattoir, 83; Broad Street Grocery Meat Market, 82.5; Hardesty's Grocery Meat Market, 81.5; Norcum's Abattoir, 81.5; Stanley's Grocery Meat Market, 81; Connor's Abattoir, 80.5; M. T. Owens Grocery Meat Market, 80.

Morehead City and RFD: Lindsey Guthrie, 94; Cherry's Grocery Market, 94; Royal's Grocery and Meat Market, 93; Morton's Grocery, 91.5; Stroud's Food Center, 91.

Phillips Grocery and Market, 90.5; B. & H. Grocery and Meat Market, 90; A & P Grocery Meat Market, 90; Bryant's Meat Market, 90.

Dave Lewis Grocery & Market, 90; Atlantic Beach Grocery, 90; J. S. Parker Meat Market, 90; Reams Grocery and Meat Market, 90; Pender's Colonial Store Market, 87.5.

Crab Point Grocery, 86.5; Dixon's Grocery, 85; Freeman & Nelson Grocery & Market, 84; Morehead City Grocery, 82; Piner's Grocery & Meat Market, 82; Kibb Guthrie, 81.

Newport and RFD: Whitley's Grocery & Meat Market, 92; Garner & McCain Grocery and Meat Market, 90; Gerald's Produce Market, 84; Joe Taylor's Grocery & Meat Market, 84.

Cleve Garner Grocers, 83; Theodore Smith's Grocery & Meat Market, 83; Broad Creek Grocery & Meat Market, 81.5; Hill's Grocery & Meat Market, 80.

Harkers Island: R. J. Chadwick Grocery & Meat Market, 90; Ralston Willis Grocery & Meat Market, 81.5.

Otway: Gillikin's Grocery and Meat Market, 84.5; Smyrna: Chadwick's Grocery & Meat Market, 80.5; and Williston: Willis Bros. Grocery Market, 90.

Cub Pack to Receive Charter Wednesday Night

Cub Pack 28 will receive its charter from Robert Howard, county commissioner of Boy Scouts, Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the Scout building, when the cub pack holds its regular monthly meeting. The pack, which is sponsored by the Junior Woman's club of Beaufort, was formed in April.

17-Year-Old Boy Drowns Saturday In Newport River

Carteret county's first drowning of the 1951 summer season occurred at 1:05 p. m. Saturday when William Melvin Fussell, 17, Kinston, fell from the railroad trestle over the Newport river.

Funeral services for Fussell were conducted at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home.

According to Coroner Leslie D. Springler, the boy's drowning was accidental. Fussell was fishing with another boy when he lost his balance and toppled into the water.

State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith, jr., who was passing on the highway bridge a few minutes after Fussell fell, notified the Coast Guard. Rescue operations were conducted by F. A. Grantham, skipper of the Coast Guard cutter Agassiz. Both a motor launch from Fort Macon used grappling hooks in searching for the body. One of the hooks was lost in the process.

Fussell was found at about 10 minutes before 4 o'clock at the east side of the draw between the highway and railroad bridges. Water depth there is 20 feet.

The body was taken to the Bell funeral home, Morehead City, and then to Kinston.

Surviving with the mother, Mrs. Emma Murray Fussell of Kinston, are the father, J. W. Fussell of Fayetteville and one half-brother, J. W. Fussell, jr., of Fayetteville.

Adults to Receive Typhoid Shots

Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, health officer, announces that summer typhoid vaccination will be offered to the general public, especially adults on Mondays and Fridays from June 18 through July 6.

On Monday, June 18, 25, and July 2, typhoid vaccinations will be given as follows: at Pelletier's store in Stella at 9:30 a. m.; at the post office, Pelletier, at 10 a. m.; Odell Smith's store, Bogue, 10:30; Methodist church, Broad Creek, 11 a. m.; Masontown sign, Newport, 11:45 a. m.; Connor's store, Harlowe, 1 p. m.; Edward's Soda shop, Newport, 2 p. m.; Lee Murdoch's store, Wildwood, 2:30 p. m.; and Fred's Gulf station, Camp Glenn, 3 p. m.

On Friday, June 22, 29 and July 6, vaccinations will be given at Edward's store, Bettie, 9 a. m.; school house, Harkers Island, 9:30 a. m.; post office, Marshallburg, 10:30 a. m.; Headen Willis's store, Smyrna, 11 a. m.; Willis Bros. store, Williston, 11:30 a. m.; Pittman's store, Stacy, 12 noon; Primitive Baptist church, Sea Level, 12:15 p. m.; Herbert Styron's store, Roe, 1:45 p. m.; and Wayne's restaurant, Atlantic, 2:30 p. m.

The county health department, Beaufort, will be open every Tuesday from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. and every Saturday from 9 a. m. to 12 noon for vaccinations. Vaccinations also will be given the public in Morehead's city hall each Thursday from 6:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

Home Agent's Office Lists Week's Meetings

There will be a leader-training meeting at the home agent's office at 10:30 this morning on the subject, Living Room Arrangements. This school is for home furnishing project leaders.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the home demonstration county council will have a meeting in the home agent's office.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, the Carteret county YMW club will have a weiner roast at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Fort Macon state park picnic grounds.

Thursday the North River Home Demonstration club will meet with Mrs. Will Dail at 2 o'clock. The meeting will be on demonstration of living room arrangements.

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Grand Jury to Act On Gillikin Case

Eight Bills Will Be Considered; Criminal Term Of Court Opens Yesterday

Among the eight cases going to the grand jury in this term of court is that of Clayton Gillikin, Otway, who is charged with murdering a distant cousin, Bennie, Saturday night, March 31, as he sat in a car with Clayton's estranged wife on the Harkers Island road.

Other cases which the grand jury will consider are the following: Orville Joseph Creel, manslaughter; Robert A. Dykman, burglary; Kenneth Bradley Lewis, Thomas Gray Morton, Benny Lewis, and James Allen Frost; assault with intent to commit rape.

Donald A. Hullahan, forgery; Eddie Lee Collins, false pretense; Lawrence B. Green and James B. Ryan, each charged with breaking and entering and larceny.

Cases on which the grand jury returns true bills will be tried at the direction of the court.

Docket for trial today are the following: Julian Carl Gilbert and Rufus Brown, each charged with reckless driving; Nancy Moore, Lillian Chadwick, and Alice Davis, each charged with fornication and adultery; Alton Robert Blanton and John A. Wetherington, jr., each charged with drunken driving.

Docketed for trial yesterday were the following: Carolina and Nellie Jones, breaking the peace; John Jones and Horace Jones, petty larceny; Garland Gillikin, passing bad check (judgment to be passed); Ben Coates, larceny of automobile.

Gerald Williamson, reckless driving and property damage; Julian Carl Gilbert, drunken driving; Russell John Charles Barber, speeding; Buck Hawkins (Hankins), assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Herman Kirby, assault; Nemiah Williams and Levi Williams, breaking and entering; Melvin Hancock, failure to comply with court order; Danny Rose, non-support; Florabelle Guthrie and Donnie Rose, cohabiting; Brady Lewis and Mrs. James D. Lewis, cohabiting; J. L. Thomas and Robert Frazier, crime against nature.

Beginning May 31, 1951, Beaufort's fire rating classification advanced from grade 7 to grade 6, thus reducing fire rates in certain specified areas of the town.

Mayor L. W. Hassell, who was notified by letter June 1 of the new classification, said that the rating is due to improvement of water facilities by Tide Water Power Co.

C. B. Harrell, fire chief, stated that an analysis of Beaufort's needs toward further reduction of fire insurance rates is being requested. He stated that efforts are being made to improve continually the efficiency of the fire department.

The letter to Mayor Hassell from R. Kenneth Scott, chief engineer, North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau, follows:

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to advise that effective May 31, 1951, we have put into effect the new classification of National Board of Fire Underwriters Sixth Grade of the town of Beaufort, N. C., due to improvements which have been made in the fire defenses of your good city. We thought that you would like to have this information.

Yours very truly
R. Kenneth Scott
Chief Engineer

23,508 Visit Fort Macon Park

Fort Macon State Park clocked 23,508 persons through its various facilities in the first two weekends of its 1951 season, according to statistics released today by Douglas Starr, director.

The first weekend, Saturday, June 2 and Sunday, June 3, was the biggest with 12,010 persons clocked.

This past weekend, June 9 and 10, suffered, but only slightly, due to the blustery winds. But the crowd totaled 11,498.

Figures in detail follow:
June 2—1418 adults; 210 children; 175 picknickers; 395 swimmers; 280 fishermen; 615 at Fort Macon; total, 3,093.

June 3—1350 children; 3157 adults; 975 picknickers; 1485 swimmers; 475 fishermen; 1875 at Fort Macon; total, 9,917.

June 9—385 children; 1733 adults; 210 picknickers; 810 swimmers; 290 fishermen; 915 at Fort Macon; total, 4,143.

June 10—1051 children; 2987 adults; 340 picknickers; 1050 swimmers; 310 fishermen; 1617 at Fort Macon; total, 7,355.

Beaufort Rent Control Board Meets Thursday

The Beaufort rent control board Thursday night at the town hall passed a resolution allowing a 15 per cent increase to landlords who have not yet received an increase in rent to compensate for increases in operating costs since June 30, 1947.

Chairman Edmond T. Nelson and the board, comprised of D. F. Merrill, T. H. Potter, C. G. Gaskill, and B. F. Copeland, also adopted a policy regarding differences in rental values and endorsed the landlord-tenant consultation plan of ironing out rent difficulties.

Flag Day Ceremony
The Elks club will observe Flag Day with exercises in the Elks club rooms on Arendell st., Morehead City, Thursday, June 14, at 2 o'clock.

No Recorder's Court
There will be no recorder's court this week or next while superior court is in session.

Postal Service to Western Part Of Carteret County Improves

For the first time in the history of Carteret's postal service, same day mail delivery is available from the Morehead City post office to Swansboro, Stella, Pelletier and all points on route 24.

Heretofore all mail destined for those points was routed to New Bern, thence to Warsaw from which point it was delivered by star route 48, and frequently 72 hours after mailing in the Morehead City office.

Mail classifications entitled to this new maximum eight-hour service are THE NEWS-TIMES which is handled as first class mail, parcel post bearing special delivery stamps and, of course, all first class mail.

Announcing the new service, Harold W. Webb, Morehead City postmaster, gave all credit to John S. Jones of Cedar Point whose study of postal routing produced the achievement.

Mr. Jones discovered several weeks ago that New Bern sent a mail pouch to Maysville each morning whence it was distributed by RFD delivery to Swansboro, Stella, Pelletier.