

Legislative Committee Begins Track Hearings

The legislative commission investigating North Carolina's two dog racing tracks began its work yesterday with a public hearing in Currituck county. The hearing on the track at Moyock will continue today.

The five members of the commission will come to Morehead City Thursday and Friday for hearings on the operation of the local track. The hearings will be held in the court room at the Morehead City town hall.

The commission set up by the 1953 general assembly, held its first meeting July 1 in Greensboro. At that time Representative George Uzzell of Salisbury was named chairman and Senator W. Lunsford Crew of Roanoke Rapids was named vice-chairman. Other members of the commission are Senator Terry Sanford of Fayetteville, Representative D. T. Falls of Shelby and Representative J. Y. Jordan of Asheville.

The commission was set up to study the tracks after legislation to outlaw pari-mutuel racing was killed in committee. The commission is due to make its report when the legislature convenes for the 1955 session.

At the public hearings, anyone who wants to be heard and who can offer information beneficial to the commission will be given an opportunity to be heard. In addition county officials, the sheriff, racing commission members and city officials will be summoned to the hearings.

The commission will endeavor to find out if the two race tracks are being conducted according to state law and if there is any connection between the tracks and racketeers.

Proponents of the bill to outlaw the tracks alleged at the time of the legislative hearings in Raleigh that several persons once active in the underworld had interests in the two North Carolina tracks. Among those mentioned was John Boggiano of New York, a stockholder in the track at Moyock. It was alleged that he was an associate of Frank Erickson, New York gambler.

John G. Masoni, Cleveland civil engineer and one of the principal owners of the tracks, denied to a legislative committee that there is any tie-up between the tracks and the underworld. He gave the legislators complete lists of the stockholders of the Carolina Racing association and the Carolina-Virginia Racing association. He maintained that everything about the tracks operations is an open book.

The Morehead City racing commission has called a public hearing of its own to discuss the operation of the local track. The hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in the town hall. Members of the commission said that they have called the hearing because they have heard some rumors of dissatisfaction with the operation of the track.

The commission members have asked any citizens with grievances against the track to appear at the hearing. They said that they hope that any problems can be settled to the satisfaction of all groups.

Local people on the list of stock-

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County to Have Fair Exhibit

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, has announced that Carteret county has been selected to put on an exhibit of its part in the North Carolina Challenge program at the state fair to be held Oct. 20-24 in Raleigh.

This county will be one of five counties from various parts of the state to have exhibits at the fair. The counties were chosen by the North Carolina Board of Farm Organizations and Agencies on the recommendation of district and area supervisors.

J. S. Slack, secretary of the board, has notified Mr. Williams of the county's selection and has asked him to call a meeting of committee chairman for the long-range program. At the meeting representatives of the board or of the state fair will explain the requirements for the exhibit.

The state fair has offered \$2,750 in prizes for the five counties which will have exhibits at the fair. Each county which participates will receive at least \$350 and the three with the best exhibits will receive additional money.

The first prize winner will receive \$500, the second prize winner will get \$300 and the third prize will be \$200.

Last year was the first year in which various counties were asked to have exhibits at the fair. The exhibits are planned to show the public, especially city dwellers, what is being done to improve the state's agriculture.

Racing Commission Orders Public Hearing

The Morehead City racing commission has called a public hearing at which time citizens may air any grievances which they have about the race track or its operations.

The hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Morehead City town hall.

Members of the commission said that they hope that any grievances can be smoothed out at the meeting. They said that they ordered the meeting after hearing rumors of dissatisfaction with the track's operations.

Wooten Caught In Beer Raid

Harkless Wooten, Morehead City Negro, was arrested Sunday night on a charge of selling beer on Sunday. He was arrested after Morehead City officers staged a sudden raid on the Edgewater hotel owned by Wooten and his wife.

Capt. Buck Newsome and Lt. Carl Blomberg raided the hotel after they received a tip that beer was being sold on Sundays. The two officers walked in the back door of the hotel and found several of the customers drinking beer.

They said that there were almost 20 cups of beer in sight on tables in the hotel. They said that the beer was contained in milk shake cups. Captain Newsome said that he grabbed one cup of beer as a customer attempted to hand it back to Wooten who was presiding behind the bar.

When the officers staged the raid Wooten's only comment was, "There's no whiskey here." He will be tried Monday in Morehead City recorder's court. The matter has also been reported to the state beer inspector in New Bern for his action. The inspector reported that he would be in Morehead City today to investigate the case.

The beer license at the hotel is in the name of Wooten's wife. The original license, which had been held by Wooten, was revoked in May 1952 on the grounds that Wooten had been convicted of a felony. At that time he was serving a two to three year prison sentence for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. He was released after serving only a few months of the sentence.

Former Ocracoke Residents Feted

Ocracoke, July 20—The young people at Ocracoke have had a number of social occasions recently in addition to the regular Saturday night square dances at the school recreation hall. On one occasion rainy weather forced a watermelon feast to be held inside instead of on the beach.

A spaghetti supper was served by a group of the young people honoring former Ocracokers here for a brief time, among them Miss Virginia Foster and her guests, Miss Marion Arhoff, Potter Garish, J. T. Drake, Margaret Overton, Jean Taylor, Betsy Carroll and Elmer Midgett.

Others enjoying the supper occasion were Isabella O'Neal, Virginia Howard, Patsy Gaskins, Gaynelle Spencer, Lorena Ballance, Susan Spencer, Blanche Howard, Larry Simpson, Albert Styrone, Jr., Kenneth Tillet, Ikey D. O'Neal, Danny Garrish, Larry Williams, Calvin O'Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Rondthaler.

Memo Forecast Law Changes

Governor William B. Umstead completed his appointments to the Conservation and Development board during the weekend prior to the first meeting of the new board here yesterday.

Named to the board were Eric Rodgers, Scotland Neck publisher, and Henry Rankin, Fayetteville businessman. These two appointments brought the board to its full complement of 15 members.

Mr. Rodgers was made chairman of the commercial fisheries committee of the board. This was a post he held during his last term on the board.

After serving six years on the board, Mr. Rodgers was not re-appointed by Governor W. K. Scott when his term expired in 1951. At that time Mr. Rodgers was serving as chairman of the fisheries committee.

Prior to his retirement from the board, he issued a memorandum analyzing the fisheries industry in

Club Officials Plan Opening

Dr. John Morris, president of the Morehead City Golf and Country club, announced yesterday that plans are almost complete for the grand opening of the course which will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

The only detail of the ceremony which has not been completed is the lineup for the exhibition match which will be played. It was originally planned to have a match between two professionals and two top-ranking amateurs. It is now believed, however, that the match will be played by four pros.

Mayor George W. Dill, Jr., is expected to make a few brief remarks at the opening. The rest of the ceremony will be devoted to demonstrations of various golf shots and the exhibition match.

The president has asked those who attend the opening to observe the parking regulations at the course. He has also asked women not to walk on the greens in high-heeled shoes.

The course is in excellent shape and is ready for play. The course was opened Sunday for preliminary play by club members. A large group of members took advantage of the opening to try out the course.

C. C. McCuiston designer of the course and temporary professional, has announced the schedule for golf lessons which he will give to members of the club. He will give lessons to women members between 10 and 11 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will give lessons to children of members between 9 and 10 a.m. on the same days. Lessons for men will be given by appointment.

Mr. McCuiston interviewed potential caddies yesterday morning and explained their duties to them. He will interview more boys at 10 a.m. today and has asked any boys who wish to become caddies to contact him at the course at that time.

Beaufort Officers Make Five Arrests

Carlton Garner, acting chief of the Beaufort police department, reports that the force made five arrests over the weekend, most of them for motor vehicle violations.

Willie Sharpe of Beaufort was arrested Friday for careless and reckless driving and is free on his own recognizance.

Martin L. Willis of Morehead City was arrested Sunday for failing to stop at a stop light and is also free on his own recognizance.

James Moore, Havelock Negro, was arrested Saturday for driving without a license. He was released on \$25 bond.

Stacey Dixon of Beaufort was arrested Saturday for threatening his wife with bodily harm while he was drunk. He was released on \$100 bond.

B. E. Willis was arrested Sunday for public drunkenness and is being held in the county jail.

A sixth man, James Ray Dixon of Wilmington, was arrested Wednesday by Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes for failing to stop at a red light in Beaufort.

All six men will be tried today in municipal recorder's court.

To Give Demonstration
J. S. Buchanan, animal husbandry specialist from State college, will give a demonstration at 2:30 p.m. Thursday on the farm of Grover Davis, eight miles east of Beaufort on the Merrimon road. He will demonstrate methods of dehorning, castrating and vaccinating beef cattle.

One of his recommendations was for the creation of a commissioner's post to make policy decisions for the commercial fisheries division of the board and a second man under the commissioner to handle the law enforcement. This was done by the General Assembly which created a post paying \$9,000 per year for such a director.

Mr. Rodgers also urged that the commercial fisheries division be brought more fully into the C & D department by making its head responsible to the director of the department. This was also made law by the General Assembly.

Perhaps one of his most important recommendations was concerned with making a market sur-

C&D Board Meets in Morehead; First Session for New Members

Rodgers Named Chairman Of Fisheries Committee

Eric Rodgers, editor of the Scotland Neck Commonwealth, was named chairman of the commercial fisheries committee of the Board of Conservation and Development by Governor William B. Umstead yesterday.

Other members of the committee are Cecil O. Morris of Atlantic, Charles H. Jenkins of Ahoskie, Charles S. Allen of Durham, and Henry Rankin of Fayetteville.

Committee appointments were made by the governor yesterday morning during the first session of the re-organized C&D board in the board room of the commercial fisheries building on the old Morehead City Technical institute property.

Gov. Umstead is serving as chairman of the board.

Commenting on the fisheries committee, the governor called for a "build up of the seafood industry in North Carolina." He urged the appointment of a commissioner of commercial fisheries with a "vision of the development of the fisheries industry" with an assistant commissioner to serve as a law enforcement officer for the division.

Then Gov. Umstead recognized Captain John Nelson of Gloucester who served for many years as commissioner of the commercial fish-

eries division of the Conservation and Development department. The governor praised Capt. Nelson's achievements on behalf of the fishing industry and called on the board and public present to give Capt. Nelson a rising vote of thanks for his work.

Gov. Umstead also urged the water resources committee to work for the development of the inland waterway and the increase of small "feeder ports" for the two state ports at Morehead City and Wilmington.

Named to the forestry committee were Walter J. Damtoft, chairman, W. B. Austin, S. W. Enloe, Jr., Leo Harvey, and C. H. Jenkins; to the advertising committee, Hugh Morton, chairman, Eric Rodgers, R. M. Hanes, Max Watson, and W. B. Austin; to parks and recreation, Amos R. Kearns, chairman, Eric Rodgers, Miles Smith, W. J. Damtoft, and Hugh Morton; to mineral resources, S. W. Enloe, chairman, W. J. Damtoft, Carl Buchan, Jr., Hugh Morton, and W. B. Austin; to water resources, Miles Smith, chairman, S. W. Enloe, Cecil Morris, C. H. Jenkins, and Henry Rankin; to commerce and industry, R. M. Hanes, chairman, Leo Harvey, C. S. Allen, Max Watson, Carl Buchan, A. R. Kearns, and Henry Rankin.

Books Close Saturday As 177 Register to Vote

John T. Conner, registrar for the Aug. 8 annexation election in Morehead City, reports that 177 persons had registered to vote when the registration books were closed at sundown Saturday. Mr. Conner said that he believes that most of the eligible voters had registered.

Registration for the election began July 11. During the three weeks which followed, Mr. Conner and various citizen's groups worked to obtain maximum registration for the vote. Groups representing both proponents and opponents of annexation contacted all eligible voters and urged them to register.

Challenges of registered voters are expected to produce most of the fireworks in the campaigning. Challenges may be made from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Fred R. Seelye, chairman of the county board of elections, has announced that the board will hold a special meeting some night next week at the polling place and will pass on all challenges. If the board rules that a challenged voter is ineligible his name will be removed from the books.

From now until election day, both sides are expected to put on an intensive campaign to get out the vote for the election. Working for the proponents of annexation will be E. G. McKinley Capt. Howard Ferguson and Julian Murphy. Workers for the opposition will be O. O. Fulcher, Julian Fulcher and Luther Norris.

The area proposed for annexation is west of the present city limits. It is bounded on the north by the highway and on the south by the railroad and Bogue sound. The western limit of the proposed area will be the state property at Camp Glenn. At the request of county school officials the area will also include the old rifle range.

The area is smaller than that covered by an annexation proposal which was defeated in a special election in May. The change in the proposed area made it possible to hold another election within a year of the first vote.

Proponents of annexation had originally hoped that the area could be taken into the city by a resolution of the board of commissioners. They presented a petition, signed by 108 residents of the area, asking for annexation. Another petition, signed by 54 persons, asked that nothing be done without a vote. Since the state law requires that an election be held if 15 percent of the residents ask for one, the commissioners were forced to ask the county election board to order an election.

The petition asking for the vote was presented to the town officials by Claud Wheatly, Beaufort attorney, who has been retained by the opponents of the annexation.

Attend Meeting
R. M. Williams, county farm agent, and Al Newsome, assistant agent, are in Kinston today to attend a meeting to make plans for next spring's fat stock show.

Marine Groups Leave Lejeune

Units of the Second Marine division began leaving Camp Lejeune by train Sunday. Although no official announcement has been made it is believed that the marines are being shipped to the west coast for transfer to the far east.

A top ranking officer, who would not allow his name to be used, said that the men are being shipped to Camp Pendleton, Cal., for assignment to Korea.

Residents of the Jacksonville area and workers at Camp Lejeune have all expressed different opinions as to the number of men involved in the movement. Estimates have ranged from 1,000 to full division strength. The public information office at Camp Lejeune said that all information about the movement is classified.

A Marine air group from Cherry Point has also been alerted for transfer. The group is made up of 72 jet fighters. Many of the troops at Cherry Point are also reported due for overseas shipment. Under a new order, any marine with five months or more of obligated service is eligible for service in Korea.

When the two bases were alerted for the transfers, all leaves were cancelled and many of the men on the bases were restricted. Liberty for those allowed off the base was limited to 12 hours. Many men on leave were ordered to report back immediately. On Sunday afternoon, orders went out to state highway patrol cars to intercept off-duty marines and send them back to their outfits.

The marines have already announced that the Third division, stationed at Camp Pendleton, has been ordered to Korea. One report from Jacksonville said that it is believed that both the Second and Third divisions will be sent to relieve the First division which has been in Korea since early in the war.

The sudden restrictions on leave and liberty imposed Friday was the first word of the impending transfers which many of the marines and their families received. Telephone lines to both bases were clogged with calls from anxious wives trying to reach their husbands.

Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune and workers at the base had an inkling that some movement was in the offing-late last week when they saw tanks and other heavy equipment being loaded on flat cars for rail shipment.

No veterans of the Korean fighting were included in the standby orders at either base, and other units attached to the Second division reportedly were not affected.

Rumors on Waterfront Scotched by Officials

Rumors were rife on the waterfront last week that the U. S. Navy was going to pull out or curtail its operations at the Morehead City state port terminal in favor of Wilmington.

Most of the rumors seemed to stem from the fact that the contract this year between the port and the Marine Corps and Navy includes a provision that the port at Wilmington may be used for the same rates in the event the port here should be closed during some emergency.

This is the first year such a provision has been made in the contract. J. D. Holt, manager of the port, reported.

From this beginning, the rumors blossomed. Some reduced the port to a mere subsidiary of Wilmington while others practically closed the terminal.

In an effort to check all possible aspects of the rumors the NEWS-TIMES telephoned military and port officials to clear up misunderstandings.

Commander Louis A. Coutu, Navy fiscal and supply officer at Cherry Point, said, "Far from curtailing our operations in Morehead City, the Navy is expanding there." He also reported that the Navy

Protect State's Future, Governor Tells Members

"In your care and keeping are the resources, opportunities and adventures of the future generations of North Carolina citizens," Governor William B. Umstead told the Conservation and Development board at its meeting in Morehead City yesterday.

The first meeting of the re-organized board was held in the board room of the building housing the commercial fisheries division of the department. Associate Justice E. B. Denny of the State Supreme court administered the oath of office to the members.

This year's session of the General Assembly gave the governor the power to re-organize the board by terminating the terms of all members of the board on June 31, giving Gov. Umstead the authority to appoint 15 new members. The governor appointed eight new members and re-appointed seven of the members of the old board.

Members of the board are Miles J. Smith of Salisbury, Walter J. Damtoft of Canton; Charles S. Allen of Durham, W. B. Austin of Jefferson, Carl Buchan, Jr., of North Wilkesboro, Scroop W. Enloe, Jr., of Spruce Pine, Robert M. Hanes of Winston-Salem, Leo Harvey of Kinston, Charles H. Jenkins of Ahoskie, Amos R. Kearns of High Point, Cecil O. Morris of Atlantic, Hugh M. Morton of Wilmington, Eric W. Rodgers of Scotland Neck, T. Max Watson of Forest City, and Henry Rankin of Fayetteville.

Before the members were sworn in, Gov. Umstead made some brief remarks outlining his conception of the importance and place of the board in North Carolina's development.

"I consider the Conservation and Development board," he said, "one of the most important agencies of the state government at this time. In your care are vested the resources of North Carolina to conserve them and sell them to others."

Citing the importance of attracting new industries to the state, Gov. Umstead pointed out that every aspect of the board's activities are directly or indirectly connected with bringing new industries into the state.

Turning to the fisheries industry, the governor commented "I'm no expert, but seafood means a great deal to North Carolina and we have plans which will mean much to this section of the state."

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Lejeune to Get Inspection Visit

Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., commandant of the Marine Corps, will arrive Wednesday at New River for a four-day inspection of Camp Lejeune.

General Shepherd will be met at the airfield by Maj. Gen. Henry D. Linscott, camp commanding general, Maj. Gen. George F. Good, Jr., division commanding general, and Brig. Gen. Francis B. Loomis, Force Troops commander. The commandant's arrival is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

Among other dignitaries arriving in connection with the commandant's visit will be Charles S. Thomas, under-secretary of the Navy, Brig. Gen. Nels H. Nelson, G-1 at Headquarters Marine Corps, and Brig. Gen. R. H. Ridgely, director of personnel at Headquarters Marine Corps.

After receiving honors, the commandant will visit the Naval Medical Field Research Laboratory, Camp Infirmary, Joint Landing Force Board, U. S. Naval Hospital and Reserve Training Bn. In the afternoon he will inspect the Rifle Range, Courthouse Bay, and Onslow Beach.

After looking over the beach's facilities and activities of Force Troops and Division personnel there, he and his party will head for the Marine Corps Supply Depot and the Industrial Area.

Next on his itinerary are the camp's children's schools. The commandant will end his afternoon at the Goette Memorial Field House, where he will address all Lejeune officers.

Thursday the 2nd Division and Force Troops will "pass in review" for the Corps' chief, the review being slated to take up the entire morning. Maj. Gen. O. F. Smith, commanding general of Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, will arrive Thursday for the review in the commandant's honor.

The afternoon will find General Shepherd inspecting the Commissary, Montford Point schools, Tarawa Terraces I and II, and Camp Knox Trailer Park.

The commandant will spend all Friday inspecting the 2nd Division.

Pageant Winner Ends Vacation

Miss North Carolina, Barbara Ann Crockett of Winston-Salem, wound up a week of activities Sunday when she returned home after the week's vacation which she received as one of her prizes for winning the beauty crown.

The week included Gulf Stream fishing, visits to the Morehead City race track, a tour of Cherry Point and trips to various points of interest in the county.

She began the week with a shooting session Sunday morning at Atlantic Beach at which time she posed for members of the Carolinas Press Photographers association who were shooting for the prizes offered for the best published pictures of Miss Crockett.

On Monday she visited various places at Morehead City and Atlantic Beach. That night she was the guest of honor at the meeting of the Morehead City Jaycees.

On Tuesday Miss Crockett went fishing in the Gulf Stream on Capt. Hubert Fulcher's Blue Water.

Wednesday was devoted to more posing for various photographers. At night she was the guest of honor at the race track for the running of the Miss North Carolina handicaps.

On Thursday she was the guest of the Beaufort Jaycees for a tour of Beaufort and points of interest in the eastern part of the county. The trip included visits to Sea Level, Atlantic and Harkers Island.

Friday, Miss Crockett was the guest of the Cherry Point air station and the Second Marine air wing. She visited the various installations at the base and was the guest at a reception at the officers' club.

Miss Crockett spent Saturday relaxing at Atlantic Beach and that night attended a party in her honor. She was also a guest at the race track for the running of the Miss North Carolina Derby.

She left Sunday for Winston-Salem and yesterday resumed her duties as secretary to a Winston-Salem law firm. She is also busy making preparations for her trip to Atlantic City in September for the Miss America pageant.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, July 28	
9:25 a.m.	3:21 a.m.
9:45 p.m.	3:39 p.m.
Wednesday, July 29	
10:15 a.m.	4:06 a.m.
10:33 p.m.	4:31 p.m.
Thursday, July 30	
11:05 a.m.	4:52 a.m.
11:24 p.m.	5:25 p.m.
Friday, July 31	
11:50 a.m.	5:39 a.m.
	6:23 p.m.

Monday Rainfall Nearly Three Inches

Rainfall yesterday morning amounted to 2.85 inches in the space of about two hours, according to E. Stacey Davis, county weather observer. The rain amounted to almost 1 1/2 inches per hour. Like the .43 inches which fell on Thursday and the 1.27 inches on Friday, the heavy rainfall had little effect on either the temperature or the humidity, both of which remained high.

	Max.	Min.
Thursday, July 23	83	75
Friday, July 24	89	71
Saturday, July 25	86	73
Sunday, July 26	83	72