

Chamber Board Meets Tuesday

Finer Carolina Chairman Reports on Progress; Benches Re-Ordered

Dr. W. L. Woodard and Holden Ballou were appointed to the Finer Carolina contest steering committee Tuesday night at a meeting of the Beaufort Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

N. F. Eure, general chairman of the Finer Carolina contest committee, appeared before the board to request their appointing two of their number to the committee.

He stated that cooperation from sponsoring organizations had been splendid and that the complete complement of the committee had been named by the presidents of the Rotary Club, Jaycees, Woman's Club, Chamber of Commerce, Fire Department, Business & Professional Woman's Club and Junior Woman's Club.

The duties of this committee will be to make a survey of the town of Beaufort as recommended by Carolina Power and Light and in light of the findings of this survey select five projects and one alternate project for this year's contest. Committees will be selected for each project. These committees will be expected to push their individual project through to completion. Mr. Eure pointed out that this was not a large project for a few individuals to perform for the benefit of the entire town but rather that each individual citizen would be expected to assist.

The general chairman reported that at a recent meeting of industrial forum speakers in Raleigh Dr. Stewart of Carolina Power and Light Co. reported that "a clean town has more drawing power for new industries than does the tax rate." The word "clean" is used in both major senses—meaning well kept public buildings; and also wholesome political and moral conditions. Mr. Stewart further reported that "it was the experience of his company in seeking to locate new plants that many prospects were driven away by sordid appearances. This factor is one of the main reasons leading to the institution of the Finer Carolina Program."

Mr. Eure remarked that you hear many people ask why "they" don't do this thing or another, he stated that it was his hope that the steering committee would see fit to select projects of appeal and interest to all of the citizens so that "they" could each participate and help. This, he emphasized, would change "they" to we and us and would generate a community spirit exceeding any that Beaufort had known in the past.

The board of directors appointed Braxton Adair chairman of the chamber recreation committee.

Mr. Ballou reported that the concrete benches for the waterfront are going to be ordered from another firm. The benches were ordered, but the firm with which the order was originally placed, couldn't meet delivery dates, Mr. Ballou stated.

Board members at Tuesday's session at the town hall were Gerald Hill, president; W. L. Woodard, Braxton Adair, Halsey Paul, Holden Ballou, and Ronald Earl Mason.

Accident Damage Totals \$600

Capt. Buck Newsome of the Morehead City police force has reported damages in a recent Arendell street collision at \$600.

The wreck occurred at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, about 50 feet west of 9th street.

A 1947 panel truck, driven by Holbert Scripture, 708 Fisher St., was backing from a parking space when it collided with a 1950 Dodge driven by W. L. Styron, Mansfield Park.

Damage to the front of the Dodge, fenders, grill, bumper and radiator, were estimated at \$500. Damage to the truck was estimated at \$100.

Styron was proceeding west on Arendell street at the time of the accident. The impact knocked the truck back over the curb.

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"SAVINGS TO POLICYHOLDERS"

Morehead Realtors Hear Address by Leon Hamm

Highway (Continued from Page 1)

off Bridges which is a narrow street, and at the same time reduce the danger of children being hurt at the school, which is located on Bridges.

Started in 1950

Plans to change the highway location were first presented to the town in November 1950. Mr. Gibbs showed the mayor and the town attorney, George McNeill, what the state had in mind.

According to the mayor, state engineers had drawn the extension of Arendell street so that the north side, instead of following the railroad track, veered northward at an angle and then straightened out and ran parallel to the track. This left several hundred feet of space between the railroad track and the highway.

The mayor asked Mr. Gibbs why that was done. The mayor said Mr. Gibbs replied that was so the railroad could put sidings between the main track and the highway.

The mayor said we don't want that and added that running the highway (the part that carries westbound traffic) so far to the north would cut off the back part of lots in that area.

At that point, Mr. Gibbs suggested that the town didn't have anything to say about how the state ran the highway because the town line did not include all of Arendell street in the western part of the town.

Attorney Disagrees

The town attorney disagreed. Mr. McNeill said according to his interpretation of the definition of town boundaries, the north edge of Arendell street "to the eastern boundary of the Camp Glenn property" was the north boundary of the town.

Mr. Gibbs went back to Raleigh and consulted with Brooks Peters, counsel for the highway department and Mr. Peters contended that the entire street was NOT in the town limits and therefore the highway department could run the north side of Arendell street all over creation if they wanted to.

Mayor Dill said that if the highway department veered the west-bound part of the highway off to the north the town line would bisect it. One part of the street would be out of town and the other part in. "If a wreck happened on one half of the street, we'd have jurisdiction, if it happened on the other, we wouldn't. That would be a devil of a thing," said the mayor.

So the highway department comes back with a new map some months later. The state had made some concession but Mayor Dill said it was "still out of line" and Mr. Gibbs was told to take his map back.

Then the state came back with the problem, "We can't get close to the railroad track because of an open drainage ditch that runs along the north side."

Morehead City said "Cover the ditch up. Lay underground lines for drainage." The state said, "No, that's too expensive and the railroad won't permit it."

There's an open ditch for drainage in the west part of the town along the track and not in the rest of the town because the lay of the land is different, said the mayor.

Then Harry Edwards, general manager of the A&EC railroad, was contacted and according to Mayor Dill, Mr. Edwards said installation of an underground drainage system was all right with them.

Consultation Drags Out

All this consultation and palaver covered weeks. Meanwhile, the state had opened the south side of the proposed highway, preparing the road bed for the part of the dual highway that will carry east-bound traffic. But the north side stood in weeds and telephone poles.

At first Carolina Telephone and Telegraph balked at moving their poles but the company has now agreed to get them out of the right-of-way.

Meantime, the western section of the town which figured in the highway deal, was incorporated as a part of the town. The mayor says that now there is no question about whether the entire part of Arendell street lies within the town limits.

Track

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against gambling in any form. That policy is spelled out in laws which rule out betting and "all devices, contraptions and machines" for gambling purposes.

Yet, said McMullan, a local act permits just such a thing in Currituck. He declared that "the State of North Carolina in this case is the representative of some 98 or 99 counties which do not receive the special privileges which are granted to Currituck County" under the 1949 act.

McMullan told the court it is entitled "to strike down and destroy this would-be form of legalized gambling, an evil which is now beginning to get a foothold in this State." If it is not crushed now, "it will continue to enlarge and grow, and other counties will seek the easy solution of financing county government by legalized gambling until the State will be taken over."

It is not important, McMullan continued, that "no glaring evils" have yet come to light at the Currituck track. For "in the end they will make their appearance, as the history of all legalized gambling demonstrates and shows."

McMullan's brief argued that the law authorizing the track violates the constitution in many ways. First, it grants a special privilege to one county. Second, it violates the equal protection of the law clause of both the State and Federal constitutions. Again, it is contrary to the constitutional ban against monopolies. Finally, it represents an attempt by the General Assembly to delegate legislative power "without the establishment of standards."

In the principal race track case now pending before the court, Superior Court Judge Howard Hubbard has ruled that the 1949 Currituck act does not violate the State constitution.

Hubbard dismissed indictments charging three Portsmouth, Va., men with gambling. The three, W. E. Felton, C. D. Stewart and S. M. Truitt, were charged in test case warrants sworn out by Frank B. Aycock, Currituck lawyer who has spearheaded efforts to close down the track.

Wants Track Closed

In the second case, Currituck citizen J. A. Sumrell asked for a court order closing the track as a public nuisance.

In the Sumrell case, Judge Chester Morris said he was impressed with the arguments that the track law is unconstitutional, but said he could not rule on that question. He suggested a criminal action on gambling charges. The warrants against Felton, Stewart and Truitt soon followed.

The town cases will be argued before the court on Feb. 2 as First District appeals are heard. The court's spring term begins that day.

The three lawyers representing the race track interests and Currituck County say the racing association has an investment of more than \$400,000 in the Moyock dog track. They added the county already has received nearly half a million dollars and is due to get another \$150,000 at the end of this fiscal year as its share of the dog track revenues. This money, they said, has enabled the county to increase its public services and at the same time slash its tax rate.

Newport Contest Chairman Lists Two Projects

Charles Hill, general chairman of the Newport Finer Carolina Committee announced two projects today, construction of a playground and "Welcome to Newport" signs.

Project one in the proposed five-project contest for 1954 is the construction of a community playground. Mr. Hill announced that the playground will be for the younger children in the kindergarten age. The playground is to be placed back of the new Methodist Sunday School building.

Maj. Harry Livingston has been named chairman of the playground committee. Sponsoring the construction of the playground is the Men's Sunday School Class of the Methodist Sunday School. Mr. Hill and Major Livingston both emphasized that the playground will be for the entire community.

Project two will be the placing of signs welcoming travelers to Newport, Carteret County's Gateway. Mr. Hill said that M. C. Howard has been named chairman of this project. The Business Men's Association is sponsoring the construction of the signs. "They are thinking of using reflective Scotchlite," Mr. Hill stated.

While CP&L suggests that a Finer Carolina Committee supervise the five projects, Mr. Hill stated that he planned to use existing clubs and organizations. Each civic group will sponsor one project.

Chairman Thanks Schools For Cooperation in Drive

Miss Catherine Gaskill, chairman of the March of Dimes in the schools, today expressed appreciation to the principal and teachers for the cooperation they are giving in the drive.

She said that money received in the cards should be handled this year the same as in previous years. The children should bring the cards to school. The money will be removed by the teachers and counted before being turned in.

Teachers or principals may then destroy the cards, Miss Gaskill said.

Council of State Approves

The Council of State on Wednesday approved the extension of the Atlantic and East Carolina Railroad lease to Jan. 1, 1955. Approval of the extension was a formality required by statute.

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Supper, Dance Bring \$164.34 for Polio Fund

Mrs. Clyde S. Taylor, chairman for the March of Dimes in Harlowe and Bachelor, yesterday turned over to the March of Dimes \$148.25, proceeds from the supper and square dance at Taylor's Community Hall Wednesday night.

In addition \$16.10 for the March of Dimes had been collected at the hall prior to the supper and dance, making a total of \$164.35.

Mrs. Taylor said that food remaining after folks had eaten was auctioned off, some of the cakes being sold several times. Mrs. Taylor and her husband are owners and manager of the Community Hall and staged Wednesday night's event for the March of Dimes.

Recruiters Visit Here Tuesdays from Noon to 4

U. S. Army and Air Force recruiters will be in the Morehead City postoffice and the American Legion Hut in Beaufort from noon until 4 p.m. each Tuesday to take enlistments.

Young men between the ages of 17-34 with a high school diploma

7-Year-Old Child Killed Tuesday

Iylene Hickman, 7-year-old Negro child, was killed Tuesday and five other school mates were injured when bottled-gas tanks were flung from a truck that went out of control in the Hickman Hill section, approximately four miles west of Cherry Point.

The group of children were walking on the left side of the road facing traffic returning from school when the accident happened.

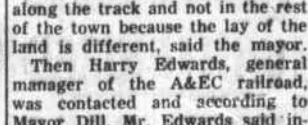
The truck, driven by Charles Bryant, New Bern Negro, skidded toward the left side of the road and when the driver attempted to pull it back the bottled gas tanks were thrown from the back of the truck into the group of children.

Patrolman J. T. Jenkins stated that Iylene Hickman was dead on arrival at the Good Shepard Hospital, New Bern. Others received treatment for their injuries. Two were seriously injured.

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