

Two Menhaden Operators Object to Water Ratings

Men Appear Friday At State Pollution Hearing, Beaufort

W. H. (Piggy) Potter and George Wallace, representing Beaufort Fisheries, and Wallace Fisheries, respectively, as well as the North Carolina Fisheries Association, were granted 60 days in which to present arguments as to why classifications recommended for local waters should not be adopted.

At a public hearing Friday morning at the courthouse, Beaufort, eight members of the committee listened to comments on proposed water usage classifications for Newport River and North River which lie within the White Oak River Basin. Committee members outnumbered those attending the hearing.

Mr. Potter and Mr. Wallace took exception to the classification of the Bogue and Core Sounds as SA, which means that their usage would be for shellfishing for marketing purposes.

To keep the rating as high as SA would mean that fishing boats would not be permitted to discharge waste products in the waters. (Mr. Potter and Mr. Wallace are engaged in the menhaden business).

Both said that they'd like these waters classified as SC so that they could be used for fishing. They also spoke against the SB classification on waters of the Atlantic Ocean contiguous to the land area of the Newport and North River drainage area and extending one-half mile seaward of the shoreline.

The SB classification sets the waters up primarily for bathing, but it could also be used for fishing other than shellfishing.

Mr. Potter and Mr. Wallace suggested that small areas be definitely specified as bathing beaches with the more vast waters classified as SC. This, they say, would give fishing boats more leeway for their operations and still keep them within the sanitation regulations.

Mr. Potter said that the "bathing" waters were of utmost importance to the fishermen and their welfare should be looked after as well as welfare of the tourists who come to the county every year.

Mr. Wallace stated that if there were additional waters needed for bathing purposes, then another hearing could be called by the interested parties.

Committee Differs

The committee said that in their estimation all of the waters that have been listed by the State Board of Health as unfit for shellfishing around the towns of Morehead City and Beaufort, are not so considered by the committee.

The area that is now deemed unfit includes 3,900 acres, but according to the classification by the committee this area could be appreciably cut down.

Mayor George Dill, representing Morehead City, asked whether the committee would assist the town in getting rid of the pollution around the waterfront, and was told that the committee would do all in its power to make the waters come up to the high standard of SA.

Mr. Wallace was told that in the event the uplands to the north of Morehead City were to be joined to the mainland, and industry came into this area, then a hearing could be called for a reclassification of the waters around that land.

Members of the committee at the hearing were Sen. J. V. Whitfield, See HEARING, Page 2

Fire Hits Town Marsh; Students Put Out Blaze

July Fourth Celebration Will Begin on Banks

Fish Fry Will Follow
Pony Pennings, Boat Races Scheduled

The gala Fourth of July celebration Down East will get underway Monday the morning of the Fourth with banker pony pennings at sunrise on the outer banks.

Boat transportation to the pennings will be available from Harkers Island, Marshallberg and Atlantic. Many people from all over the state are expected to attend the round-ups. Ponies that are purchased will be delivered to the mainland for the new owners.

At noon time at Sea Level there will be the annual fish fry. Charge is \$1 a plate and proceeds will go to the Sea Level Hospital.

Sail boat races will get underway at 11:30 a.m. Finals will start following the fish fry.

Entries in the races are expected to be from Morehead City and down east, and official sail boating rules will be in effect.

Everyone entering the sail boat races must pay an entrance fee of \$5, with the first prize winner to receive \$100, the second place winner \$25 and the third place winner \$5.

The racers will round all markers as indicated on the course chart. There are no sail, crew or ballast restrictions, but mechanical propulsion of any kind will result in disqualifications. Oars and poles are permitted but row locks, those pins and similar devices are not to be used.

The course will be run twice for an approximate distance of 6.5 miles. The handicaps will be 7 seconds per foot of overall boat length per mile of total course length.

Lions to Install Officers Thursday

Ladies night and the installation of officers will be the highlights of Thursday night's meeting of the Lions Club at the Recreation Building in Morehead City.

The proceedings will start at 6:30 p.m.

The entertainment committee composed of Hal Shapiro, C. W. Williams and Elmer Watson have promised an interesting evening.

At the meeting Thursday night Jim Crowe, new customs inspector at Beaufort, was the guest speaker.

Mr. Crowe told the Lions about customs being traced back to the days when our country was in its infancy, and that it was his job here at Beaufort-Morehead City to check on ship's papers, and to examine the ships that come into port.

He also stated that the majority of tobacco, mirrors and woolsens that come into this state come in through northern ports.

Barbara Piner Wins Beauty Crown At Beaufort Pageant Saturday Night

Barbara Piner, 18, blonde daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Piner, 1501 Ann St., Beaufort, was crowned Miss Beaufort of 1955 by last year's Miss Beaufort, Fay Merrill, at the beauty pageant Saturday night at the Beaufort School auditorium.

As Miss Beaufort of 1955, Miss Piner will appear in the Miss North Carolina pageant at Wilmington. She was also awarded a \$100 gift certificate by the Beaufort Jaycees, sponsors of the pageant, and a trophy.

Second place winner, Bonnie Brinson, received a \$50 gift certificate, and the third place winner, Charlene Harrell, received a \$25 gift certificate.

Assisting with the supervision of the contest was Mrs. Robert L. Rose.

The girls appeared first in evening gowns and later in bathing suits. Between their two appearances, an entertainment variety program was presented.

Diane Herring did a tap dance and ballet number, Marjory and Ellen Webb did a tap duet. Their teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, did an acrobatic dance, and Barbara Harris sang a few numbers.

Contest judges were D. A. Avalone, Jasper Bell, Richard (Dick) McClain, Warren Beck and C. C. McCuiston, all of Morehead City.

Tommy Potter, president of the Beaufort Jaycees, presented the prizes to the three winners.

The winner of the Miss Beaufort crown had almost perfect measurements of 36-26-37. She was a member of this year's graduating class at Beaufort School.

Miss Piner was sponsored by B. A. Bell, Jeweler. Bonnie Brinson was sponsored by Holden's Restaurant, and Charlene Harrell by WMBL.

The other contestants and their sponsors were Kay Willis, City Appliance; Bobby Dennis, WBMA; Patricia Daniels, E. W. Downum Dept. Store; Hilda Gillikin, T. T. (Tom) Potter and Son. Faye Mason, Guthrie Jones Drug Co.; Billy Jean Lewis, Potter's Sinclair Service Station; Betty Williamson, Paul Motor Co.

Other contestants were the three winners at the Miss Down East Pageant, Mary Ellen Chasteen, Shirley Pittman and Emma Dora Hill.

T. Linwood Lee Will Succeed G. T. Windell

Morehead City School Board Selects Dunn Man as Principal

The Morehead City School Board today announced the appointment of T. Linwood Lee as principal of the Morehead City School to succeed G. T. Windell, who recently resigned.

Mr. Lee, whose hometown is Dunn, will arrive in Morehead City later this summer to take up residence. His wife is the former Ernestine Jackson of Dunn, and they have three children, John Mark 8, Stevie 5, and Alma Kate 2½.

Mr. Lee attended public and high school in Dunn. From there he went to Campbell Junior College for two years and then on to Wake Forest where he obtained his BS degree. At East Carolina College he obtained his MA, and in 1952 he attended summer school at Duke University.

The new principal is a member of the Presbyterian Church, a member of the Lions Club and served in the United States Army from 1943-46, serving both in this country and in the Pacific.

Mr. Lee was a teacher at Youngsville High School and was principal at Colerain High School prior to his accepting the position here.

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, stated that he thought the Morehead City School Board made a wise choice in selecting Mr. Lee.

Driver Cited Following Wreck

Martin Collins, Camp Lejeune, was charged with careless and reckless driving and speeding following an accident at 6 p.m. Saturday on the Crab Point Road.

According to State Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes, Collins was headed toward Crab Point when he ran off the right side of the road, swerved over to the left and struck a telephone pole.

The car turned over, pinning Collins beneath it. He was taken to the Morehead City Hospital for treatment.

Collins' 1941 Ford was demolished.

In the Spotlight

Judge Hamilton Still Shows Winning Ways in Courtroom

By HAL SHAPIRO

Judge Luther Hamilton, mayor of Morehead City in the days of yesteryear, is still winning the big ones, as he proved recently in the Moody Lewis murder trial, when his client was found not guilty.

The judge, a native of Atlantic, and a resident of Morehead since 1915 when he was licensed to practice law in the state, has seen many summers, but he proved that he was still in top shape as he argued eloquently before a Carteret County jury to vindicate his client.

Mayor in 1920's

In the early '20's Judge Hamilton was mayor of Morehead, and it was during his regime that the town was built up. The streets of the town were paved, the eye-sore railroad depot in the middle of Arendell Street was torn down, a town hall was erected and the power plant was built.

The judge stated when he was elected that he wanted a free hand in selecting his commissioners and he was given what he requested. The town board

of that day spent \$3,000,000 for civic improvements.

The judge was a member of the state legislature and the state senate, spending two terms in each of the branches of state government.

Was "Baby" Senator

As he remembers it, "I was a 'Baby' Senator, and while serving in the legislature back in 1921 the legislature passed several bills which helped make North Carolina's roads of that day some of the nation's best. The legislature of that era was known as the Good Roads Legislature, with Governor Morrison as the spearhead."

In 1933, after leaving the legislature he went to Washington, D. C., to fight for the port terminal at Morehead City.

As he says, "One of the things that people didn't realize at that time was that I had to keep my family going here at home while I was in Washington. As a matter

William Ellison Jr. Takes Marketing Advisor Job

Swansboro Uses Slogan In Finer Town Program

A special meeting was held last week at the elementary school in Swansboro by members of the Finer Carolina program under the direction of chairman J. J. Rhue.

A slogan suggested by Major William H. Kay was adopted as the slogan for the Finer Carolina Program. It is, Swansboro, the Friendly City by the Sea.

The Annual Mullet Festival was one of the events discussed at the meeting. The event, well remembered from previous years, will once again feature the generosity, cordiality and hospitality of the people in Swansboro. Congressman Graham Barden expects to attend.

It was announced that the Little Boys Baseball League has added a new diamond to the program at Bogue. All home games of the Bogue team will be played at the new diamond.

The Swansboro High School and the Elementary School are making additional improvements such as the erection of additional bleachers at the athletic field, and constructing a building for storage sheds and to house the new tractor.

All residents of Swansboro who are contemplating painting, remodeling, building, or in fact planning anything in the way of civic, educational, municipal, recreational or residential improvement, are requested to contact the program chairman so that before and after pictures may be made for the scrap book contest part of the program.

Among those attending the meeting were Maj. William H. Kay, co-chairman of the program; Earl Jones, recreational chairman; Paul Tyndall, educational facilities chairman; Mayor Lisk representing Don Taylor, municipal improvement chairman; Linwood Williams, tourist promotion chairman; Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Sheppard, and Mrs. Cardy, publicity, and J. Covington and Mr. Gaddy of the Carolina Power and Light Company of Jacksonville, sponsor of the program.

The convention business will be confined mostly to the Friday session. Newport's delegates will participate in the business discussions.

Approximately \$42,000 in cash awards will be presented to FFA members and chapters in the auditorium Thursday afternoon from 2 until 5:30 o'clock.

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Marvin Fulcher Cut When Auto Upsets

Marvin Fulcher, Stacy, received a cut on his head at 12:45 a.m. Sunday when the car he was driving turned over east of Stacy on Highway 70. A brother riding with Fulcher was not hurt.

Damage to the car, a 1954 Ford, amounted to several hundred dollars.

State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr., who investigated, said that the accident was due to a slick tire and the road being wet. No charges were filed.

Reserve Unit May Become Boat Unit, Officer Reports

Salvaged Cargo Brings \$2,750 at Friday Sale

Hammers, presses and other machinery salvaged from the cargo of the wrecked Omar Babun was sold at auction Friday at the Morehead City port.

The sale was conducted by a United States marshal. The cargo had been stored at the port since fall. It brought \$2,750. The buyer was R. W. Long, Morehead City, of Long's Concrete Supply Co.

The Omar Babun, a freighter, went aground at Rodanthe in July 1954.

The outfit would aid in amphibious landing operations, provide ship-to-shore lighterage in harbors, inland waterways or the open sea — "a real seafaring job for experienced boatmen and small craft handlers," Captain McQuaid said.

All masters, mates and engineers would rate the rank of warrant officer.

Captain McQuaid said that men interested in such a unit should contact Lt. John B. Sewell, 2-8308, or Lt. Paul Cordova, 6-4503.

He invites interested reservists to join the unit, pending receipt of official orders on the heavy boat company.

Former Institute Director To Have Office Here

Raleigh — Appointment of William Ellison Jr. to the newly created position of engineering and marketing economist for the Department of Conservation and Development was announced this past week by Director Ben E. Douglas.

Mr. Ellison, director of the Institute of Fisheries Research at Morehead City for the past seven years for the University of North Carolina, will assume his new duties July 1. His headquarters will be at the C&D Department's commercial fisheries division's main office at Morehead City.

Mr. Douglas said creation of the position of engineering and marketing economist is aimed at stimulating the development and coordination of the marketing, processing, refrigerating, and distributing of seafood products of the State.

In addition, Mr. Ellison will cooperate with the State Department of Agriculture in the marketing, processing, refrigerating and distributing of turkeys, chickens, vegetables and fruits grown in Eastern North Carolina to the end that plants utilized in processing of seafood products could also be used for both activities.

Mr. Ellison will also make cost analyses of various types of operations in connection with the marketing and processing of seafood, poultry and other products so as to determine the most efficient methods for utilizing them to the most profitable ends for those engaged in such activities, Mr. Douglas said.

Mr. Ellison will consult with commercial fishermen and others on engineering construction of needed plants.

Governor Hodges approved the selection of Mr. Ellison to the new position, Mr. Douglas added, explaining the job of engineering and marketing economist is a "forward step we are taking in line with the Governor's planning to provide every assistance to commercial fishermen, produce and truck farmers so they can make greater and more profitable use of the products upon which they depend so much for their livelihood."

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Swansboro Will Welcome Bank This Weekend

A rousing welcome to a new business, the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. branch at Swansboro has been planned for Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Cardy, publicity chairman of the Finer Carolina Program, Swansboro, announces events for both Friday and Saturday in conjunction with the opening of the bank.

An open house will be held by Swansboro residents Friday night from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in front of the new bank building with all the civic clubs and organizations furnishing entertainment and refreshments. Presidents of the local clubs will make welcoming talks.

H. L. Stevenson, Smithfield, and Robert L. Williams, Jacksonville, executive vice-presidents of the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co., are expected to attend.

At 9 o'clock Saturday morning formal ceremonies will be held at the bank. The Swansboro High School Band will play and the Boy Scouts will conduct a flag raising ceremony. The bank will be open for business Saturday.

Maj. William H. Kay, acting chairman of the event, will introduce Fred Bell, chairman of the Finer Carolina Business Development Committee, who will welcome the bank to the town and comment on its position in the Finer Carolina Program.

Mayor M. N. Lisk will welcome the bank officials, Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Williams.

Bank officials from Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport are expected to attend the opening ceremonies.

Wreck Causes \$425 in Damage

Property damage totaling \$425 resulted when two cars banged together at the Live Oak and Cedar Street intersections, Beaufort, at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

A 1952 Buick driven by Bruce Babbitt, Davis, was damaged to the extent of \$75 and another car involved in the wreck, a 1954 Plymouth, had damages estimated at \$350. The Plymouth was driven by Marvin Lewis, 1313 Shepard St., Morehead City.

Assistant Chief of Police Carlton Garner said Babbitt told him he had to stop suddenly because a car in front of him had stopped.

He said he had no time to signal, and Lewis, ran into the rear of the Babbitt car. The car in front of Babbitt drove off and no one was able to identify it or the driver.

No one was hurt and no charges were filed.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, June 28	
2:46 a.m.	9:12 a.m.
3:25 p.m.	9:56 p.m.
Wednesday, June 29	
3:41 a.m.	10:02 a.m.
4:19 p.m.	10:47 p.m.
Thursday, June 30	
4:39 a.m.	10:50 a.m.
5:11 p.m.	11:35 p.m.
Friday, July 1	
5:35 a.m.	11:36 a.m.
6:00 p.m.	

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