

A special committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen to study the facts in connection with alleged rent raises in Chapel Hill met in the Town Hall on September 15, 1942 with Chairman F.O. Bowman presiding and the following members present: Messrs. P.L. Burch, R.H. Wetch, Guy B. Phillips, R.P. McClamrock, Earl Newcomer, and Captain T.S. Popham.

The committee was presented with a list of recent raises in rent or threatened raises in rent by Mr. Newcomer and Commander Graff of the Naval Pre-Flight School presented a written list of rent raises on various officers in his group.

Captain Popham discussed at some length the administration of the programs provided under both the plans for a Defense Area and a Defense Rental Area.

After further discussion and consideration of the cases presented, the committee unanimously passed a motion by Mr. McClamrock and seconded by Mr. Phillips to recommend to the Board of Aldermen that it favor a request of the Naval Pre-Flight School and the Chapel Hill Consumers' Association to have Chapel Hill made a Defense Rental Area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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