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### Mayor Presents Trophy to Leon's Boutique



Leon's Boutique, 94 South Main St., Freeport, receives a trophy from Mayor Robert J. Sweeney, following an award by an impartial committee for having the "neatest and prettiest holiday display." More than 200 street-front windows were inspected by a committee comprising Joseph Gerhäuser, chairman of the Retail Division of the Freeport Chamber of Commerce; Harry Secor, a vice president of the Chamber, and Dr. Carmine J. Cacciatore, a member of the Freeport Beautification Committee. In the photo above Mayor Sweeney presents the trophy to the own-

ers of Leon's Boutique, Leon and Clementine Zangilbaff, while Dr. Cacciatore looks on approvingly. At the right of the mayor are Roy N. Cacciatore, a vice president of the Chamber and Mr. Gerhäuser. The window of Leon's was decorated by Henry Bononati. In awarding the trophy to Leon's, Mayor Sweeney stated: "I am delighted to donate and present this trophy to Leon's Boutique selected by the impartial committee and hope the practice will continue. The merchants of Freeport are to be complimented on making their stores attractive to shoppers — it is their way of taking part in the holiday spirit."

### Mayor Scores Complete Victory As Town Board Calls Off Its Hearing on Cow Meadow Zoning

The Freeport Village Board is now in a position to proceed with its plans for the Cow Meadow development. Tuesday morning, a motorcade of 20 cars and a delegation of 100 banner-bearing crusaders from Freeport invaded the meeting room of the Hempstead Town Board filling the rear third of the chamber, intent on voicing strong opposition at a hearing on a proposal to upzone Cow Meadow from industry to residence.

However, in an unusual procedure, the matter was taken up before the regular calendar items. And on assurance by Mayor Robert J. Sweeney to Presiding Supervisor Palmer D. Farrington that a proposition advocating the conversion of the land into a park and recreation area would be submitted to the voters of Freeport at a special election on Tuesday, March 20, the Town Board on motion of Supervisor Ralph G. Case voted unanimously to cancel the hearing on the pro-

posed upzoning, thus restoring the matter to its status quo. And the happy throng started the trek back to Freeport. This was a complete victory for Mayor Sweeney.

Among the slogans lettered on the banners were "No Houses on Cow Meadow," "Don't Rezone Cow Meadow," and "Save a Little Bit of Nature for Me." Others referred to the cost of providing schools in the Freeport School District to accommodate Cow Meadow residents if the area

was zoned for residents, and other matters.

Eight or ten representatives of civic and Parent-Teacher Associations, the Village Board and the Board of Education and individuals had prepared to speak at the hearing in opposition to the proposed rezoning, and Richard Green of the Atlantic South was to have given the summation.

A petition of protest in which

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### FREEDMAN NAMED POLICE JUSTICE; MEHRMANN TO AID; TESSIER NEW VILLAGE COUNSEL; FRANCO DEPUTY

After accepting the resignation of Police Justice, now County Court Judge Paul J. Kelly, at a meeting in the Municipal Building on Wednesday night, the Freeport Village Board also accepted the resignation of Edwin J. Freedman as Village Counsel and appointed him as interim successor to Kelly.

The board also named Charles C. Mehrmann, local attorney as acting Police Justice, John O. Tessier, who has been serving as acting Police Justice since last April, resigned and was appointed to succeed Freedman as Village Counsel. The board also created the office of deputy Village Counsel selecting Ralph P. Franco, a young Freeport attorney to the post.

The four appointees took oaths of office at elaborate ceremonies in the courtroom of the Municipal Building Thursday night, presided over by the two resident Freeport jurists, County Court Judge Kelly and District Court Judge Moxey A. Rigby.

Mayor Robert J. Sweeney congratulated the appointees declaring that they would serve with esteem and respect. Others who participated in the ceremonies were Charles Buckley Jr., president of the Bar Association of Nassau County; Ray M. Brand, president of the Criminal Courts Bar Association of Nassau County, and William W. Seifert, president of the Nassau County Lawyers' Association, in which office Freedman will be installed on Jan. 17.

Freeport clergymen were also in attendance. They included: Rev. A. Edward Couch of the First Presbyterian Church, Rabbi Reuben M. Katz of Temple E'nai Israel and Msgr. Eugene J. Crawford of the Holy Redeemer R. C. Church. A reception followed later in the law offices of Freedman & Weisbein. A new Police Justice will be elected at a special village election on Tuesday.

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**NORTHWEST CIVICS  
WILL HEAR VANDIVERT**  
Rod Vandivert, chairman of the Hempstead Town Land Resources Council, will speak at the monthly meeting of the Northwest Civic Association, Freeport, Monday at 8:30 P. M. in the Atkinson School, Freeport. He will explain what a nature center is, show a film and tell how such a center could be financed at Cow Meadow if the way is finally cleared for an area of this kind. Rosamond Javorsky, the president, will preside.

### New Police Justice



EDWIN J. FREEDMAN

### BUDGET HEARING MONDAY

A public hearing on the proposed Freeport budget for 1962-63 will be held by the Village Board in the Municipal Building Monday at 7:30 P. M.

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