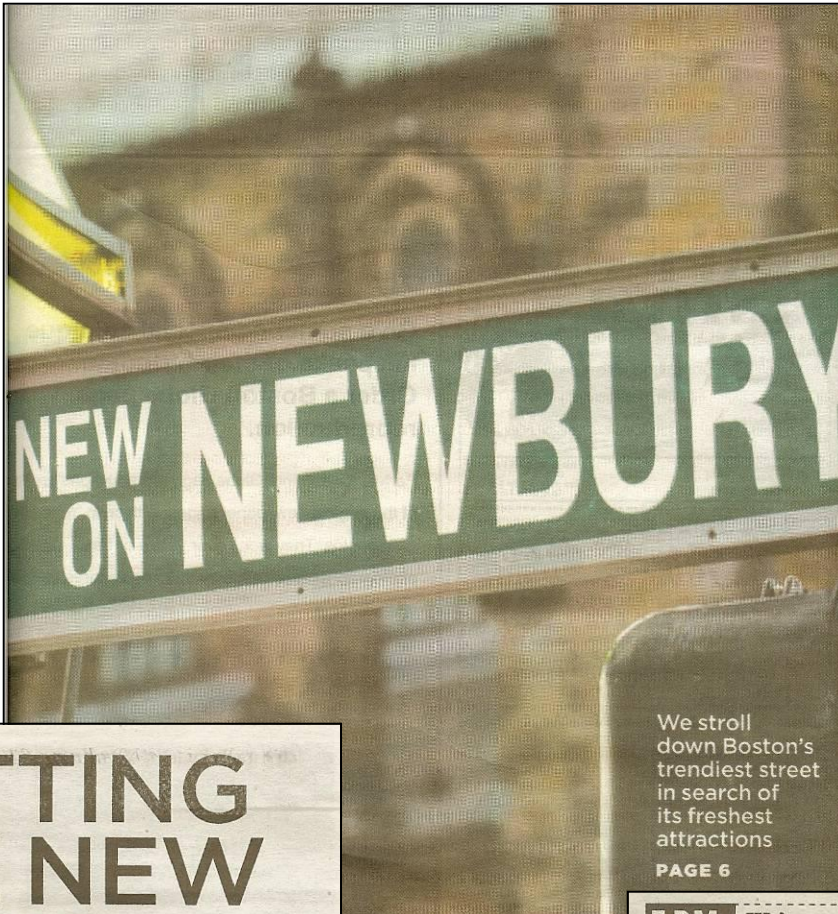


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We stroll  
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in search of  
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## PUTTING THE NEW IN NEWBURY

At the first hint of sunshine, Newbury Street springs into action. Out come the patio tables, and out come the flocks ready to visit Boston's most popular shopping destination. We recently walked its length to check out the latest attractions.

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**5 P.M.** We've now wandered Newbury's entire stretch, from its high-society beginnings near the Public Garden to its bohemian end at Mass. Ave. We need renewal. We head to the spa **Melt** (172 Newbury, 617-262-1116. [meltboston.com](http://meltboston.com)), which, after a zillion delays, finally opened mid-April. It's yet another addition to Newbury's insane count of spas and salons, which number something like 130 on its eight-block stretch. But Melt is gorgeous, a jewel box with a bright hair salon and spacious spa rooms. We try the new exclusive HydraFacial (\$200) machine, the ultimate in quickie but high-performance treatments. Thirty minutes is all it takes for aesthetician Tara Pearson to clean the skin via serums and suction and then pump in nutrients that promise to cure all skin evils. The result, with eye makeup unblemished and no awful "spa hair," is glowing, ready-to-go skin.