

# Congressional Report From Washington

By Congressman Walker B. Jones  
 On Thursday, August 2, the House and Senate recessed until September 5. The final week was a busy one with the sessions running until the late hours of the evening. In spite of this, much legislative work remains to be done in both the House and Senate. As we recessed, the Senate served notice that they would not approve of the Gas Rationing and Conservation Plan which the House had approved earlier in the week. This is due to several amendments which according to Senate leaders and President Carter, considerably weakened the bill. These included certain options with the thermostat controls that would exempt businesses which could prove they were saving energy in other ways to offset the air conditioning or heating. Other amendments included the provision that all farmers would be given preferential treatment for

fuel for harvesting their crops. Another amendment required that the Department of Energy guarantee all residents of the northeast part of the country to have sufficient fuel for heating purposes during the coming winter. What will happen when we return in September will be that the Conferees from the House and Senate who have been appointed will have to attempt to compromise the differences in order to give President Carter the legislation he desires. Another unsolved matter is the appropriation for 1980 for HEW, the differences existing over the very controversial question of using federal funds for abortions under certain circumstances. The House version provides for funding only if the mother's life is in danger. The Senate insists that in addition to this language that funds be provided in the case of rape or incest if promptly reported. This will be the

third year that we have agonized over this particular matter. Of great interest was the House action on Representative Charles Diggs of Michigan who was publicly censured for misuse of his office funds. There was a movement to expel Congressman Diggs but in the entire history of the Congress, only three members have never been expelled and this was due to charges of treason where Southern members of Congress also took an oath to become members of the Confederate government. There are some, of course, who feel that Congressman Diggs' punishment was not severe enough; but in addition to the censuring which strips him of his Chairmanship as well as all seniority, he is facing a three-year prison sentence and this is on appeal, and should the higher court uphold this conviction, then it is very probable that the majority of the House would

vote for expulsion. Also last week as Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Tobacco, we tried to ascertain why the average flue-cured prices in Georgia and Florida were so much less than the 1978 season. Unfortunately, this is a situation where no one has a factual answer, but only fixed opinions. Fortunately, the average price has increased in recent days. As previously reported, the schedule for the Congress was to adjourn "sine die" on October 1, but in my opinion with all the

unfinished business facing us, including the Salt Treaty in the Senate, this is now a virtual impossibility, and we are now thinking in terms of December rather than October. Since the Congress will not be in session for the next four weeks, this column will be suspended for this period of time. A reception was held in the Capitol for the recently departed Secretary of HEW, Joe Califano. Along with other Members of the North Carolina delegation, I did not attend.



**STEAK AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS** — Rae and Jeff Knox of Edenton are the proud parents of a new son, Kenneth, and Chowan Hospital is helping them celebrate with a steak dinner for two, served up by Catherine Parks, dietary employee. The hospital began the special dinner for new parents about two months ago, and they say they really enjoy it.

## Perquimans Horse & Pony Club Horse Show Winners Are Announced

Results of the Perquimans County Horse and Pony Club Aug. 4 Horse Show:  
 Halter 1 yr. & Under:  
 "I'm A Nobody", Earl Jackson; "Unnamed", Debbie Parker; and "Rena's Winning Image", Kim Pope.  
 Novice Go As You Please: "Lucky", Michelle Chesson; "Okey's Sugar Man", Michael Harrell; and "Cathy", Cindy Burgess.  
 Children Go As You Please: "Okey's Sugar Man", Michael Harrell; "Kandy", Sandy Weeks; and "Lucky", Michelle Chesson.  
 Open Balloon Race: "Mandy", Ralph Coley; "Poco Sunday", Shortie Layden; and "Four Socks", Hudie Williams.

Green Horse Class:  
 "Mac", Dallas Weeks; "Aladdine Ghosh", Jane Landburg; and "Sue Maxie Bee", Pam Heltrick.  
 Trail Class:  
 "Pixy", Donna Stallings; "Jasper to Beat", Tommy Stallings; and "Misty" Denise Harrell.  
 Open Barrell Race:  
 "Four Corner", Wayne Estee; "Hook", Brenda Pittman; and "Back Jack", Donna Halzmacker.  
 Open Go As You Please:  
 "Kandy", Sandy Weeks; "Maley", Hope Harrell and "Dixie Gray", J. W. Ward.  
 Open Barrell Race - Jackpot:  
 "Flash", Kay Flemings; "Hickory" Debbie McClenny; and "Sizzle Brit-

ches", Kathy Larw.  
 Open Ladies Pleasure:  
 "Kandy", Sandy Weeks; "Pixy", Donna Stallings; and "Maley" Hope Harrell.  
 Open Ring Spearing:  
 "Poco Sunday", Shortie Layden; "Star Breesh", Donnie Tadlock; and "Super Charge", Johnnie Evans.  
 Youth Western Pleasure:  
 "Kandy", Sandy Weeks; "Maley", Hope Harrell; and "Pixy", Donna Stallings.  
 Open Pole Bending:  
 "Four Corners", Wayne Estes; "Sizzle Britches", Katy Laure; and "Shane", Bobby Vance.  
 Novice Western Pleasure:  
 "Rimbar", Sanya Payne; "Okey's Sugar Man", Michael Harrell; and "Cathy", Cindy Burgess.  
 Open Ring Spearing - Jackpot:  
 "Poco Sunday", Shortie Layden; "Mandy", Ralph Coley; and "Mike LayLo", Jim Sanford.

## Public Hearing Is Slated

Flounder and striped bass will be the main topics of discussion at a public hearing August 22, 7:30 P.M., Marine Resource Center in Manteo, conducted by the N. C. Marine Fisheries Commission.

under 18 inches if there was a 5 per cent tolerance. Another proposal is to change the 5 per cent tolerance on minimum 11-inch flounder. Currently the tolerance is determined by count. The proposal would give law officers the option of determining by weight or by count.



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