

STEPS TAKEN TO PROTECT STATE'S SHAD INDUSTRY

Taking of Shad From N. C. Waters Gradually Decreasing

Measures required to preserve shad fishing in North Carolina, the most remunerative branch of the State's fishery, which has shown a serious decline in catch during the past several decades will be considered by a special committee of the Board of Conservation and Development, in cooperation with officials of the Department, R. Bruce Etheridge, director, has announced.

The committee consisting of J. L. Horne, Jr., Rocky Mount; E. S. Askew, Elizabeth City; and Jas. L. McNair, Laurinburg, according to Mr. Etheridge, has already begun a study of the problem and has requested the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries to furnish the services of an expert to advise in the matter.

Appointment of the special committee followed a recommendation from the director that serious consideration be given to the shad situation and requests from commercial fishermen that steps be taken to preserve the fishery which has furnished a steadily decreasing income over the past several years.

According to Director Etheridge, the annual take of shad from North Carolina waters was 8,963,000 pounds in 1897; 3,942,000 pounds in 1908; 1,657,000 pounds in 1918; 927,000 pounds in 1932; and 1,274,000 pounds in 1934. Although no definite figures are available for last season, Capt. John A. Nelson, fisheries commissioner, asserts that it was one of the worst in the history of the industry, with the problem of supply intensified by extraordinary muddy waters which is believed to have affected migration.

The inquiry is expected to involve the collection of all available information on the habits of the shad which, in a considerable degree, remains a mystery. The shad ascends the sounds and fresh water streams from the ocean for spawning in the spring. The young brood then goes to sea from which it is believed it returns as a mature fish three years later. The peculiar habits of the shad and the lack of complete knowledge of its life history makes the problem more difficult, it was pointed out.

FLAT BRANCH

Miss Ethel Owens and Mr. Jenkins, of Suffolk, Va., visited Miss Nellie Tolar, near Sunbury, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Twine and children, of Gatesville, were dinner guests of Mrs. Twine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Owens, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Owens and two children, Virginia and B. G., of Gatesville, were dinner guests of Mrs. Owens' mother, Mrs. B. S. King, near Joppa, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Casper and children, of Hobbsville, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Casper's mother.

Henry Jenkins, of Suffolk, Va., called on Miss Clarine Owens, near Gatesville, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Sue Tolar has returned to her home in Portsmouth, Va., after visiting her son, Ed Tolar, near Sunbury.

H. B. Lassiter is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Owens near Gatesville.

J. W. Owens is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Twine and their children were in Gatesville Saturday night.

Raymond Lassiter, of Sunbury, called on Miss Mattie Owens Saturday evening.

OAK GROVE

Mrs. E. A. Norfleet, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting her brother, G. L. Parrish, for sometime.

Mrs. Charles Windley and children, of Norfolk, Va., are visiting relatives here. Mr. Windley came Friday evening to spend a few days.

W. T. McClenny and son, Wilbur, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Peele and their daughter, Carroll and George Byrum, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Gib Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. White and son, Ernest, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lane, Mr. and Mrs. John Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lane visited Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Parrish Sunday.

Mrs. Anthony Gosser, of Norfolk, Va., returned home this week after spending several days here with relatives.

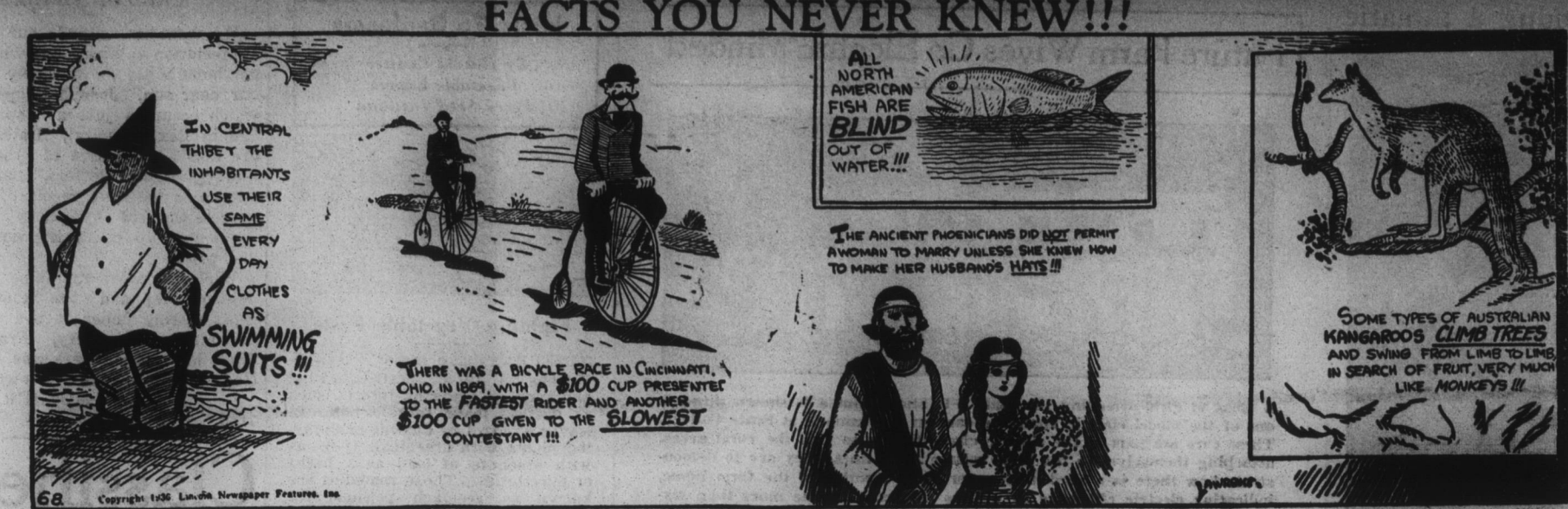
Earl Howard, of Norfolk, Va., was the week-end guest of friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Parrish visited Mr. and Mrs. Vandy Nixon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Peele visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Davis, Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. Nixon, Mrs. R. H. Byrum, Mrs. Anthony Gosser and Mrs. Charles Windley spent Wednesday as guests of Mrs. Sam Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nixon, Mrs. Anthony Gosser, Mrs. R. H. Byrum, and T. L. Nixon spent Saturday afternoon in Hertford on business.



COLERAIN

Mrs. C. W. Beasley spent last week at Nags Head. Mr. Beasley joined her for the week-end.

H. O. White and Donald Newsome were business visitors in Norfolk, Va., Thursday.

Miss Julia Austin returned Sunday after a week's vacation with friends and relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. Will Linberry and their son, Billy, and Miss Elizabeth Deans, all of Philadelphia, Pa., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Deans.

Roy Pancoast arrived Saturday to join his wife, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. White.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stokes and Edgar Lee, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. O. White left Sunday for Nags Head, where they will spend a few days.

Miss Janie Sessoms is the guest of Miss Mary Hazel, in Ayden, this week.

Misses Helen Phelps, Carolyn Brinkley, Janette Miller and Teeny Miller, and Mrs. G. B. Miller went to Lewiston Wednesday. Miss Teeny Miller has accepted a position in Lewiston.

Rev. L. M. Dixon, Mrs. Dixon and their daughters, Ruth, Geraldine and Rachel, are visiting in Siler City for several days. Mr. Dixon is on his vacation.

Miss Mary Shields is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Holley.

Mrs. Jim Hutchinson and children, Mildred and Jimmie, of Washington, D. C., are visiting Mrs. C. B. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. White, of Powellsville, visited Mrs. Johnnie Montague Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Eley, of Ahsokie, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Deans Sunday.

Linwood Harrell, of Roanoke, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Harrell.

Miss Dixie Felton left Sunday for Norfolk, Va., to resume her studies at the Norfolk Business College.

O. B. Hughes returned Sunday from the Windsor Hospital. He is convalescing nicely.

Miss Ruby Felton and Miss Llewellyn Brown returned to Norfolk, Va., Wednesday to resume their duties in the General Hospital.

Miss Maude Evans Phelps left Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Phelps, in Ahsokie.

Herman Modlin, of Cincinca, spent Thursday and Friday with Mrs. S. White.

Miss Gertie Ball, of Perryville, is the guest of Miss Margaret White.

Tommy Speight, of Republican, is spending the week with Paul Sharp.

Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Sredle, Mrs. Dora Saunders and Miss Syble Snell are at Nags Head for the week.

Mrs. McCallum and Miss Mary Margaret McCallum returned Sunday from Maxton, where they spent the past month.

Dr. L. A. Nowell and D. A. Askew left Monday to spend the week at Nags Head.

Miss Mary Adams was the guest of Miss Ethel Callis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Britton are visiting in Salisbury and Cary.

Charles Callis and daughter, Miss Ethel Callis, were in Edenton Monday.

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Commissioners' Proceedings

The County Commissioners met Monday, July 27, 1936, with a full Board present for the purpose of going over and approving the budget for 1936-1937. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion duly seconded, the Bond and Interest Fund was approved for \$46,435.98 School Fund approved for 8,051.00 General County Fund approved for 25,500.00

By motion of A. C. Boyce, seconded by A. D. Ward, that a committee be appointed to go to Chapel Hill for the purpose of going over the school matter again in regards to funds for school, and report same the first Monday in August to the Board of County Commissioners.

The following bills were ordered paid:
W. D. Moran, bill, 31 births and 9 deaths, at 50 cents each, \$20.00.
F. W. Hobbs, bill, Tax Supervisor for July, 1936, \$75.00.

No further business the Board adjourned.

M. L. BUNCH,
Clerk to Board.

GUM POND

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bunch visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hubbard Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Wilkins, from near Edenton, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Wilkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bass visited relatives in Norfolk, Va., during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bunch, Mr. and Mrs. Mark White visited Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bunch Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byrum visited their daughter, Mrs. Jep Bass, and Mr. Bass, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bunch visited Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Goodwin Sunday afternoon.

Miss Isa Nixon returned home on Sunday after visiting her sister, Mrs.

B. F. Wilkins, and Mr. Wilkins, near Edenton, for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Moore and their daughters, and Mrs. R. W. Boyce, of Edenton, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nixon Sunday afternoon.

Miss Grace Baker, from near Beech Spring, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. George Bunch, and Mr. Bunch.

Mrs. J. R. Nixon and her son, Julian, of Henderson, and Mrs. Robert Nixon visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nixon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Onley, from Belvidere, and Mrs. R. C. Lane were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Nixon.

Mrs. J. R. Nixon, of Henderson, is visiting relatives in Rocky Hock.

Mrs. J. T. Nixon visited Mrs. George Bunch Monday afternoon.

Miss Mildred Nixon called on Miss Mabel Bunch Wednesday afternoon.

Misses Elizabeth and Jessie Lee Smith called on Miss Mabel Bunch last Monday afternoon.

Miss Essie Belle Harrell visited Mrs. George Hassell a few days last week.

RYLAND

Mrs. Will Outland returned Saturday from Portsmouth, Va., where she had been visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis and their daughter, Lois, from near Sign Pine, spent Sunday with Mrs. Davis' mother, Mrs. Harriett Parks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wardie Henigar and children visited relatives near Joppa Sunday.

John Irvin and James Copeland returned home Sunday - after spending the past week with relatives near E. City.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Boyce, of Durham, visited Mrs. Boyce's mother, Mrs. Cornie Spivey, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Parks and children visited relatives at Gliden Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ehrie Sprull, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Miss Norma Spivey, of Alexandria, Va., were the guests of Mrs. Cornie Spivey several days this week.

Mrs. T. L. Ward and children are visiting relatives near Asheville.

Mrs. Roy Parks, Mrs. Axie Cope-

land, Mrs. Merrill Copeland, Miss Gertrude Jackson and Carson Davis spent Sunday at Aulander.

Miss Montaze Byrum, from near Cannon's Ferry, was the week-end guest of Miss Mary Lee Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hollowell and children, of Edenton, visited Mrs. Hollowell's mother, Mrs. Harriett Parks, Sunday afternoon.

George Ward, of Edenton, and Frankie Giovini, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Elmer Ward, of Sign Pine, visited William and Lehman Ward Sunday afternoon.

The baseball team from Rocky Hock met defeat at the hands of the Ryland team Saturday afternoon on the diamond at the Randolph Ward home. William Ward pitched seven innings for Ryland, being relieved by Willie Elliott for the last two.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleatus Byrum, of Baltimore, Md., have been visiting in the home of Mr. Byrum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Byrum.

Mrs. W. E. Copeland visited Mrs. H. N. Ward Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Junius White and Miss Texie Parks, of Gliden, visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Byrum recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lane were in Edenton shopping Saturday night

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