## Washington Report

By Congressman Walter B. Jones

There continues to be very little action on the House Senate Floors inasmuch as some of the Committees have not completed their organization requirements. The forming of Committees is somewhat involved because Democrats meet separately from the Republicans, and Members, especially new Members, scramble for position on the Subcommittees of their preference. The Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee held its Democratic Caucus on Wednesday, February 2, and I am happy to report that most Members were satisfied with their Subcommittee assignments. Our Committee operates with possibly the fewest Subcommittees of any Standing Committee inasmuch as we have only five Subcommittees, all of which I believe to be of vital importance. On February 9 the full Committee of **Democrats and Republicans** will meet together for the first time to officially approve what the two parties have previously done in their separate meetings.

Along with the approval of Subcommittee personnel, the full Committee has to adopt the rules under which we will operate as well as a tentative Committee budget to be submitted later to the House Committee on Accounts.

In limited legislative action, the House honored the memory of the late Nancy Hanks by approving a Resolution to name in her honor the old main Post Office Building located on Pennsylvania Avenue here in Washington, D.C. It is not certain at this point in time what purpose the building ultimately will be used. Ms. Hanks was known for her dedicated work in promoting the arts and cultural aspects of our heritage. She was well known in North Carolina due to her association with Duke University. This was approved in the House by a unanimous voice

other legis alive action, the House by an overwhelming vote established a Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families in the 98th Congress. The word "Select" means that this Committee will have no legislative jurisdiction, but would have the authority to:

-Conduct a continuing comprehensive study and review of the problems of children, youth, and families, including but not limited to income maintenance, health (including medical and child development research), nutritution, education, welfare, employment, and recreation,

-Study the use of all practicable means and methods of encouraging the development of public and private programs and policies which will assist American children and youth in taking a full part in national life and in becoming productive citizens; and, -Develop policies that

would encourage the coor-dination of both governmental and private programs designed to address the problems of childhood and adolescence.

Of interest to our peanut growers, the Subcommittee on Tobacco and Peanuts unanimously agreed to send a letter to Secretary of Agriculture, Block, urging him not to freeze peanut sup-port prices at last year's level. Due to the increased cost of production, we are asking him to increase the support prices in 1983.

## Sheep & Goat

Association To Meet

The Albemarle Sheep and Gest Association will meet on Monday, February 14th at 7:30 P.M. at the Perquimans County Agricultural Extension Building on Edenton
Read Street in Hertford.
Business to be discussed includes goat and lamb promoion and marketing, a sheep nd the 4-H Livestock S

A program on "Flock Improvement Through Genetics, and Selection" will be presented by Marjorie Rayburn. Anyone with an in-terest in sheep and goats is urged to attend.



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