

# Shrimp Fishermen Air Opinions at Hearing Saturday

By RUTH PEELING

Shrimp fishermen expressed their opinions on shrimping regulations at a hearing Saturday morning at the commercial fisheries building, Morehead City. More than a hundred jammed the hearing room.

Only two proposals were up for consideration, but opinions on just about every phase of shrimping were aired.

Practically the only thing that everybody agreed on was that there should be no shrimping on Sunday. Whether there should or shouldn't be Sunday shrimping was not an issue, but the matter came up and it was a relief to find there was at least one thing that nobody wanted changed.

There was quite a bit of sentiment in favor of an all-year-round season on inland shrimping. The shrimpers contended that nobody knows when the shrimp are coming, they can only guess at how long they'll be here and that shrimping must be taken when they're here.

Although not stated outright, the shrimp fishermen were expressing annoyance that the 1956 season had not yet opened. In prior years, the season was opened about the second week in May.

Before the meeting ended, action to open the season was taken. C. G. Holland, commercial fisheries commissioner, suggested that the commercial fisheries committee, which was conducting the hearing, recommend that the season be opened at midnight Sunday.

**No Guarantee**  
The board made the recommendation. Commissioner Holland said, "I can't guarantee that the shrimp are here, but these men can get peeler crabs and soft crabs and may be able to meet their grub bill."

Commenting on the pleas for an open season all year, Commissioner Holland remarked that "there's a strong movement nationally to close all inland rivers and bays along the Atlantic Coast."

In view of that fact, he said he believed North Carolina would be making a mistake to keep the season open the year around, inferring that if the federal government sees

## 500 Attend Choral Concert

Five hundred music lovers were at the Morehead City School auditorium Friday night to hear the Spring Choral Concert.

The program was very well received. Ralph Wade, director, said he believed everyone thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

Members of the boys glee club and girls glee club sang.

Robert Hesse, Morehead City pianist played several numbers, and the chorus gave a short colorful version of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado."

The full program was as follows: Alma Mater, Dry Bones, I Must Go Down to the Seas, Bless this House, Syncope, Clock, Let All My Life Be Music, I Love the Night, Victor Herbert Favorites, and You'll Never Walk Alone.

Mr. Hesse played Prelude Op. 28, No. 22, Chopin; Humoresque, Op. 101, No. 7, Dvorak; Chanson, Friml; Oriental, Amani.

The cast of the Mikado included Earle Wade, Francis Swanson, Billy Rich, Llewellyn Phillips, Helen Carlton, Betty Lou Morton, Deanna Ballou and Jeanne Barnes.

Accompanists for the program were Anna Merle Lockey and Watson Morris.

Mrs. Tressa Vickers assisted in direction of the Mikado.

Members of the committee were introduced by the chairman. They were Gene Simmons, Tarboro; Charles Allen, Durham; and Charles Jenkins, Aulander. Also present was William P. Saunders, director of the Department of Conservation and Development.

Persons presenting testimony were the following:  
**Harrell Taylor, Sea Level** (representing shrimpers from Sea Level and Core Sound) — Opposed to the proposal to stop night shrimping. He said that if the rule is put into effect it should not apply to Core Sound between Harkers Island and Cedar Island.

**Grower Paul, Adams Creek** — All inland creeks and bays should be closed except those which produce marketable-size shrimp. (He claimed there "was quite a fight to close all inland waters" and said "if they're closed, they'll never be opened again.")

**Grayden Barker, Oriental** — Opposed to closing small creeks and bays. He said if small boat owners (who can operate in creeks and bays) can't shrimp there, they'll have to sell their boats. He said if dealers won't buy small shrimp, shrimpers won't catch them. He further contended that dealers who buy small shrimp should be penalized.

**Irvin W. Davis, Davis** (representing the commercial shrimpers of Davis) — Asked that the waters of Core Sound be opened as early as possible for shrimping.

**T. B. Smith, Grady Davis**, both of Davis—Recommended that shrimping be permitted in Core Sound at night through the entire season. Mr. Smith said it would be all right to close Pamlico Sound to night shrimping from July 10 to Sept. 1. He said it would be agreeable to him for the Institute of Fisheries Research and the fisheries commissioner to set dates on opening certain creeks and bays. Mr. Davis suggested that all

## Woman Seeks Information; Do You Know These Folks?



Received at THE NEWS-TIMES office during the past week was a letter asking that the accompanying pictures be printed in hope that that someone in this area could give some information on the two children and the man shown.

The letter accompanying the pictures, signed by a woman who gives her address as Kettle Falls, Wash., follows:

"Would you please put these pictures in your paper? I am trying to locate parents, relatives, or someone who knew these people. The father brought the boys to my place May 22, 1955. He left this vicinity Oct. 7, 1955. He said Morehead City, North Carolina, was his home town. I would be very grateful for anything of the boys' past."

The following description was included on the back of the picture of a man, identified as the father of the boys: "Charles Powell, blue eyes, light brown hair, about 175 pounds, 6 feet tall, age 31, straight line scar on right cheek, scar center of forehead at hairline."

On the back of the picture of the boys: "Charles Powell, age 7, Dec. 5, 1956, dark hair, blue eyes, scar on left temple, scar above right eye, right leg short due to polio; Ellis Powell, age 6, Dec. 4, 1956, light hair, blue eyes. These boys talk of sisters, Margaret, Mary, Ann and Gale. They believe their mother killed in car accident and call her Bett or Elizabeth Ann."

THE NEWS-TIMES takes no responsibility for the intent or accuracy of the facts presented. In the off-chance that the woman's report on the two boys and their father is factual and her interest sincere, the pictures are published. If anyone can comply with the request for information, they may



## Two Officials Win Award Friday

Winners of the George C. Franklin award at Chapel Hill Friday night were Herman E. Dickerson, Statesville city manager, and William W. Adkins, Burlington utilities director. The awards were presented by Mayor George Dill, Morehead City, and Mrs. George Franklin.

They were given at graduation exercises of the second annual course in municipal administration conducted by the Institute of Government.

The Franklin award, given for the first time Friday night, will be given to the outstanding person or persons completing the seven-month course. It is presented by the N. C. League of Municipalities in memory of its late general counsel, George C. Franklin.

## Marathon Postponed

The Dance Marathon, scheduled for this past weekend at the Idle Hour and Buddy's Place at Atlantic Beach, will be held this weekend instead, according to A. B. Cooper, owner of the Idle Hour.

bring or send it to THE NEWS-TIMES office and it will be forwarded to the writer of the letter.

## J. O. Simpkins Scores Rumor

Congressional Candidate James O. Simpkins, New Bern, said yesterday that he is making every effort to correct a misleading report that Rep. Graham Barden would be succeeded by a Negro as chairman of the House Education and Labor committee should Barden be defeated this coming Saturday.

Said Mr. Simpkins, "This is completely untrue as the Congressional Directory for 1955, published and distributed by Congress itself, will plainly show."

"The ranking Democrat on this committee is Rep. Augustine B. Kelley of Pennsylvania; the ranking Republican member Rep. Samuel K. McConnell Jr., also of Pennsylvania. Both are veteran congressmen, white, and with distinguished records."

"The Negro Congressman referred to is Adam C. Powell of New York, a radical who faces almost certain defeat this year. There is no possibility of his succeeding Mr. Barden as chairman. He ranks third," Mr. Simpkins said.

## E. W. Garbade Will Serve as Instructor

Torpedoman First Class Edward William Garbade, husband of Mrs. Elva Willis Hover Garbade, Morehead City, has been selected as instructor at the New London Submarine Training Center, New London, Conn.

Mr. Garbade has just completed nine years of continuous submarine duty aboard the USS Torsk, USS Grampus, and USS Tench, all of the Com Sub Lant, Sixth Naval District, Norfolk.

Mrs. Garbade and children, Melody Lynn, James Wayne, and Billy Van will join Mr. Garbade June 1. This tour of duty will be for three years.

## Alarm Answered

Morehead City firemen answered an alarm at 4:35 p.m. yesterday at a home owned by Jesse Lockhart on Highway 70. An oil stove is reported to have overflowed. No damage was caused.

## Port Calendar

Gateco Barge BB11—Will load with jet fuel today, bound for Cherry Point.  
S.S. Breitenstein—Due Thursday at Morehead City to load up with tobacco for Germany.

Beaufort firemen answered a call to the Smith Poultry Farm, West Beaufort, and extinguished a grass fire that threatened the chicken coops, at 3:30 p.m. Thursday.

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## ASC Issues '55 Report

What is ASC?  
Folks have so many initials flung at them that many have given up trying to learn what they all stand for. "ASC" stands for the federal government's Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation program.

It functions on the county level and in Carteret is supervised by B. J. May, Beaufort, with the assistance of four ASC committee members elected by the farmers.

Just released by the ASC office is its report for the year 1955. Why is ASC in existence? The explanation, by Mr. May, follows: "In order to keep supply in line with demand and to produce enough of each item without heavy surpluses of certain commodities while facing a shortage of others, it is often necessary to use acreage allotments and marketing quotas."

"Also price supports are necessary to guarantee the farmer a fair margin of profit... while at the same time regulating prices paid by the consumer. The county and community committees who are elected each year by the farmers play a master role in carrying out the various ASC programs."

ASC is provided funds by Congress and functions under the Department of Agriculture.

**Heads ASC**  
Head of the county ASC committee is Roy Keller, Beaufort RFD. Clarence Millis, Newport, serves as vice-chairman; J. C. Baker, Stella, member, and R. M. Williams, farm agent, ex-officio member.

Community committees are as follows, with chairman listed first, then vice-chairman, member, first alternate and second alternate:

White Oak—Clyde Morris, Lee Sawrey, L. W. Parker, Marion Weeks, Julian I. Weeks.

Newport—Jack Garner, Billy Roberts, Clayton Cannon, J. A. Kelly and Harry D. Lockey.

Morehead—John T. Oglesby, Joe Barnes, Earl Murdoch, George Creech, K. S. Swinson.

Beaufort-Harlowe—Archie R. Hardesty, Noah Avery, John Felton Jr., Nick Culpepper, Pernell Hardesty.

East-Merrimon—Stanley Gillikin, Brondell Gillikin, H. D. Caraway Jr., Bill Pigott and S. W. Lawrence.

ACP (Agriculture Conservation Program) functions under ASC. It helps farmers carry out good farming practices by making cash payments after completion of conservation projects on the farm, and also provides materials and services for carrying out scientifically approved projects.

The ASC committee sets up a program of farm projects needed in this area. Every farmer who un-

dertakes such projects is eligible to apply for help.

During last year, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, \$14,897 was allocated to this county to help farmers, Mr. May reports. This helped buy limestone, fertilizer and gypsum.

One hundred forty-six farms received help through ACP in meeting the cost of conservation practices; 66 of those farms required technical assistance; 5,835 acres of cropland were treated through the program.

Treatment of saltwater-damaged farmland was a major part of the 1955 program. Two hundred fourteen acres on 16 farms, damaged by high tides of the hurricanes, received gypsum and limestone treatment to restore them to natural fertility. That cost \$3,581.

On 12 other farms 208 acres were treated at a cost of \$2,864.50. Another major phase of the ASC program is marketing quotas and acreage allotments.

## Quotas Favored

Carteret farmers by a large majority favored marketing quotas in the 1955 referendum. Quotas were voted in for a three-year period, through 1958. The county's tobacco allotment last year was 1,901.8 acres. Harvested were 1,814.71 acres. The average yield per acre was 1,358 pounds. Marketed were 2,483,936 pounds, bringing the local farmers approximately \$1 1/4 million dollars.

Cotton—Thirty-six farmers qualified for allotments last year. Only 14 actually grew cotton. Planted were 37.9 acres.

Peanuts—There are no peanut allotments in the county. Carteret farmers plant peanuts for hogs, not for market.

Corn—No allotments.

Wheat—Twenty farmers planted 223 acres.

Price support is designed to guarantee a minimum price for a number of farm products. Price supports for crops grown in Carteret were as follows:

Tobacco — Flue-cured tobacco was supported at 90 per cent of parity. The average loan was 48.3 cents per pound.

Cotton—Cotton was supported at 34.45 cents per pound.  
Corn—\$1.74 per bushel, basic No. 3.  
Soybeans—\$2.04 per bushel  
Wheat (if eligible)—\$2.28 per bushel.

# ELECTION NOTICE

**ABSENTEE: Only men in the Armed Services may vote absentee in the Primary, IF REGISTERED. Father, Mother, Sister Brother, Wife or Service Man may apply for absentee ballots.**

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