



Under Secretary of the Interior James K. Carr addressed the meeting and emphasized the potential of increased fish production as a means of utilizing all marine resources, of providing an opportunity for tremendous expansion of the fishing industry, and of the United States taking the lead in solving world-wide problems of hunger and malnutrition.

Mr. Carr said the Department is solidly behind a proposal to manufacture fish protein concentrate from whole fish for human consumption and said he is optimistic about the manufacture and distribution of this protein supplement on a world-wide basis.

The Bureau of Commercial Fisheries described its work in the fish protein concentrate field. The Bureau is exploring various methods for manufacturing the concentrate, including chemical and other extraction processes that have shown promise. The Bureau's preliminary findings indicate that fish protein concentrate is a cheap, highly nutritional, easily stored and transported product with a variety of uses.

Among other Bureau programs reviewed for the Committee were the Bureau's participation in the Tropical Atlantic Oceanography Survey, its vessel construction differential subsidy program, its student fellowship program, and its long-range program planning.

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