

# SC Area Fishermen In New Federation

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For the first time in history, all of California's commercial fishermen's associations have joined into a federation to have their say on the 200-mile ocean limit bill, expected to be signed into law by President Ford in January, 1977.

Called the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations Inc., the organization will represent a majority of the 14,000 commercial fishermen in the state, local spokesmen report.

Bob Pierce, secretary of the Santa Cruz Commercial Fishermen's Marketing Assn. Inc., told the Sentinel that the main thrust of the federation will be to place its representative on the 13-member council that will be formed by the 200-mile law.

"That's the council which will hammer out the fishing regulations of the 200-mile limit," Pierce pointed out.

He said, "All the commercial fishermen are for it and even the buyers we talked to this week said they supported it."

Pierce said that it is possible that the buyers organization here could join in the official support of Santa Cruz, Half Moon Bay, Oakland, Bodega Bay, Ft. Bragg, Eureka and Crescent City.

The federation's new manager, and possibly the man who will serve on the 200-mile limit council, is Zeke Grader from Sausalito.

Grader comes out of the mar-

keting end of the state fishing industries, but will have an office that serves only the federation's interests, Pierce said.

The office will be located in Sausalito.

This year's salmon season is less than one week away—open-

ing on April 15— and local fishermen are spending their days readying boats.

"The feeling is that everyone is looking forward to the start of the season," Pierce said, then added, "and from all indications this should be a good year."

## Second Degree

# Hammari Gets Murder Term

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Eighteen-year-old Neil Hammari was convicted of second degree murder Thursday evening.

After nearly 18 hours of deliberation, the 10-woman, two-man jury returned to the courtroom to read its verdict.

Hammari sat calmly while the judge read the decision, but appeared slightly shaken as each juror recited his vote.

Hammari is accused in the murder of Carl Sedore — a part-time Cabrillo College instructor and real estate salesman. Sedore was found with five bullet wounds in his head in a car off Highway 9.

Earlier in the day, the jury

support a first-degree murder charge as had been asked by District Attorney Chris Cottle.

Some four hours later, the group returned with their decision.

The jury had worked until 10 p.m. the day before.

Many courtroom watchers and attorneys called the case one of the more complex ones in recent years. Cottle's prosecution linked Hammari to the murder and a Cupertino burglary in which three guns were stolen.

Defense Attorney Bohrer had maintained Hammari had found the guns and was picked up by Sedore while hitchhiking.

Hammari's mother sat in the audience during the reading of the verdict.