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Work and Findings of Halibut Commission Make Interesting Subject For Address to Gyros

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Life History

Dealing with the life history of the fish, Mr. Freeman informed his listeners that the halibut was the largest of the flounder group of fishes. Occasionally they reached a weight of over 400 pounds but the average was between 15 and 20 pounds. Although living on the bottom of the ocean, the halibut was an active swimmer. The distribution of halibut was not uniform for the fish seemed to favor certain banks and even certain localities on these banks. The older fish were found in deeper waters, these large fish collecting in dense schools in the fall to lay their eggs. Halibut eggs were the largest of the pelagic ova, averaging about 3 1/2 millimeters in diameter. The eggs floated freely in the water and were distributed between the bottom and the top. As the spawn developed, it was carried far and wide by the ocean currents. The eggs developed slowly, becoming translucent larvae with two eyes on two sides. The eggs required perhaps two or three weeks for hatching and it might be two or three months before they began to settle on the bottom.

The speaker described how one of the halibut's eyes grew in a strange fashion towards the other until eventually the flat fish lay on its side, the two eyes looking upward from the colored right side which contrasted with the white blind side.

The halibut was next recognized as young fish in the bays and bights of Alaska. As they grew, they staved more or less at home, shifting to schools of their own size. They were first taken by the fishermen at the age of five years when the smallest weighed two or three pounds. The halibut continued growing at a variable rate, according to the bank upon which it was found.

Ases of halibut, Mr. Freeman explained, were determined by annual changes in growth as recorded in the bones, particularly in the otolith or ear-stone in the head which had rings much like those of a tree. From these ear-stones it was learned that the young fish trebled its weight in three years to become a six-pound fish and then doubled its weight in the next three years to become a 12-pound fish. It continued to increase in length at a continually slower rate until at the end of 35 years it reached a weight of from 150 to 200 pounds.

The halibut spawned at about its

twelfth year and migrated for that purpose, unlike the stay-at-home immature fish. The speaker pointed out that the baby or five-pound halibut was an immature fish which had not spawned as was also the 11-pound or medium fish.

Tagging Operations

Before concluding, Mr. Freeman alluded briefly to the tagging operations which had been carried on by the Commission. Thousands of halibut had been caught and released with numbered tags attached and had been later recovered from the fishermen through the offering of rewards. Returns from these tagging experiments had made it possible to determine the migrations of the halibut. It had been learned, as a result of tagging, that the fish of the two areas separated by Cape Spencer were practically independent. Only five percent of recoveries from western tagging were re-taken south of Cape Spencer while but one fish tagged in the southern area had been re-taken in the western. Halibut tagged in areas south of Cape Spencer showed very slight migrations, averaging 22 miles. Those tagged north and west of Cape Spencer showed more extensive migration, averaging 209 miles. Therefore, within the southern banks it was ascertained that existing stocks were of immature fish, largely non-migratory. On the other hand, the mature fish of the western banks migrated freely and widely. On the basis of these migrations, the Commission had been able to promulgate regulations for the conservation of the fishery.

Much more tagging would have to be done, Mr. Freeman declared, so that, among other problems, it might be determined whether or not the southern mature fish were migratory, where western immature fish were as stationary as those in southern waters and the problems of the fish to the far westward including the Bering Sea.

The luncheon was presided over by President William Cruickshank who heartily thanked Mr. Freeman for his interesting address. Guests at the luncheon included R. B. Gregor, Dr. H. O. Johnsen, Dr. R. G. Large, Daniel Burrows, Charles Fyfe, John R. Mitchell, James Douglas, Otto C. Young and Ellis Morris.

Hoover to Speak In Indianapolis

Chief Executive of United States to Address Campaign Meeting on Friday Night

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 26.—President Herbert Hoover will address a campaign meeting in Indianapolis on Friday night, it was announced yesterday from Republican presidential campaign headquarters.

R. F. Baldry, Canadian National Steamships engineer, arrived in the city on the Prince Rupert this morning from Vancouver to relieve Alex McWhirter, who has been standing by the steamer Prince George here and who will proceed to Vancouver on vacation.

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LOCAL NEWS

R. G. Cunningham of Port Esquimalt is paying a brief visit to the city, having arrived on last evening's train from the Skeena River.

Miss May Sells, formerly of this city, who has been visiting for the past week as the guest of Miss Elizabeth Ross following her arrival from a trip to England, will sail on the Prince Rupert tomorrow night for California where she now makes her home

In command of Capt. H. E. Neddien, who becomes commodore or senior captain of the Canadian National Steamships Pacific Coast fleet following the sudden death of Capt. Dan Donald, C.N.R. steamer Prince Rupert arrived in port on time at 9:30 this morning from Vancouver. Powell River and Ocean Falls and will sail at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Anyox and Stewart whence she will return here tomorrow evening south-bound. The vessel brought north a fair-sized list of passengers.

Mail Schedule

- For the East—Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9 p.m. For Vancouver—Tuesday 12:30 p.m. Thursday 9 p.m. Friday 11 p.m. October 3, 12 and 24 p.m. For Vancouver—Sunday p.m. Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Friday p.m. October 8, 20 and 29 a.m. For Stewart and Anyox—Sunday 7 p.m. Wednesday 3 p.m. For Stewart and Anyox—Tuesday 11:30 a.m. Thursday 8 p.m. For Naas River and Port Simpson—Sunday 7 p.m. Wed.—ss. Prince Rupert, 4 p.m. For Stewart and Anyox—Tuesday—ss. Cardena 11:30 a.m. Thurs.—ss. Prince Rupert, 8 p.m. For Ocean Falls—Thurs.—ss. Prince Rupert, 10 p.m. Friday—ss. Prin. Adelaide 10 p.m. For Ocean Falls—Wed.—ss. Pr. Rupert 9:30 a.m. Friday—ss. Catala p.m. Ss. Princess Adelaide p.m. For Queen Charlotte Islands—Oct. 14 and 28—ss. P. John 10 p.m. For Queen Charlotte Islands—Oct. 12 and 26—ss. P. John a.m. ss. Prince John a.m. For Alaska—Oct. 8, 17 and 29—ss. Princess Louise a.m. For Alaska—Oct. 24—ss. Prin. Norah p.m. For Skeena River—Friday—ss. Catala p.m.

SCHEDULE OF WHIST

- October 27—Fish Packers vs. Sons of Norway; Canadian Legion vs. Seal Cove; Grotto vs. Swift; St. Andrews vs. I. O. O. F.; Musketeers vs. Empress. November 3—Fish Packers vs. Seal Cove; Canadian Legion vs. St. Andrews; Sons of Norway vs. Grotto; Swift vs. Empress; Musketeers vs. I. O. O. F. November 10—Fish Packers vs. Grotto; Canadian Legion vs. Swift; Sons of Norway vs. I. O. O. F.; Seal Cove vs. Musketeers; St. Andrews vs. Empress. November 17—Fish Packers vs. St. Andrews; Canadian Legion vs. Grotto; Swift vs. I. O. O. F.; Sons of Norway vs. Musketeers; Seal Cove vs. Empress.

News of The Sport World

BASKETBALL WAS HECTIC

Grotto Wins 35 to 32 Over Kaien Hardware in Tightly Contested Senior League Match

Girls Do Well

Comets Put Up Good Play Though Defeated By Cardinals—Intermediate One-Sided

Senior League—Grotto, 35; Kaiei Hardware, 32. Ladies' League—Cardinals, 10; Comets, 4. Intermediate League—Merchants, 18; Warriors, 12. Junior League—Rovers, 10; Boy Scouts, 14.

There were many hectic moments in the Senior League basketball fixture last night between Kaiei Hardware and the Grotto. From start to finish, it was anybody's game. The Kaiens, although extremely light, fought hard and almost unwillingly were pressed to give up inch by inch to the heavy charging Grotto. The second half had many fast and fascinating plays which kept the fans on their toes yelling. The score was tied again and again but the tobacco-ists seemed to have the extra punch at the end and found themselves on the top end of a 35-32 score. However, it might have been a different story if the Kaiens had not yanked Scott just as he was hitting his string. But it is all in the game so Grotto is entitled to all the credit for winning a fast, snappy engagement. Fans like this snappy play and, from now on, both the Kaiens and C.N.R. will be trying to stop the heavy charging Grotto.

Grotto—D. Stalker (2), Menzies, Gurvich (17), Ratchford (8), Currie (2), Wingham (6), Pierce. Kaiens—Mitchell (6), Cross (6), Irvine (2), Unger (12), Tobey, Scott (6).

Ladies' Game From a point of view of good basketball, the girls' game was much better than that of last week. Although the score was 10-0 in the first half, that is no indication that the play was entirely one-sided for, to give credit where credit is due, the Comets put up a much better game than they did last week. The Cardinals were superior in their passing and team work and consequently were again top notchers of a 10-4 score.

Cardinals—Lowe (6), Irvine (4), Stone, Gilchrist, Rivett. Comets—Steen, Smith, Johnson (2), McLeod (2), Morgan, Dickens.

Intermediate League The first half of the Intermediate game was decidedly one-sided and, with the ease of champions, the Merchants kept the Warriors at bay 14-1. In the second half things picked up a little and the Warriors, living up to their name, put a little fight into the game. They played much better in the second half but

MAY PLAY LACROSSE

Meeting Called For Purpose of Organizing Indoor Box Game in Prince Rupert

WINNER TO TAKE ALL

Promoter Bill Stone announces that he has matched Nina Gurvich with Billy Bagshaw as main attraction for his second boxing card which will take place on November 9. The boys are fighting on a winner-take-all basis which will insure a real fight as all the loser will get is sympathy. From all indications this will be a real fight as both these boys are mixers. They also have an old grudge to settle which makes them anxious to fight on a winner-take-all basis. Both are training hard already as they wish to be in perfect condition. There will be six bouts in all on this card. The preliminaries are shaping up well and the promoter states that the card will be a decided improvement over the first as he now has a better idea as to the abilities of the fighters and is in a better position to match them.

Practice Schedule For Basketball

- Wednesday 7:00-7:35—Warriors. 7:35-8:15—C. N. R. 8:15-8:50—Rovers. 8:50-9:25—Boy Scouts. 9:25-10:00—Merchants. Sunday 1:00-1:30—Tuxis. 1:30-2:00—Panthers. 2:00-2:30—Comets. 2:30-3:00—Cardinals. 3:00-3:30—Grotto. 3:30-4:00—Amazons. 4:00-4:30—Jan. Asso. 4:30-5:00—Meteors.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns: League, W., L., Pts. Senior League: Grotto 2 0 4, C. N. R. A. 1 1 2, Kaiei Hardware 0 2 0. Ladies' League: Cardinals 2 0 4, Amazons 1 1 2, Comets 0 2 0. Intermediate League: Warriors 1 1 2, Tuxis 1 1 2, Merchants 1 1 2. Junior League: Meteors 1 0 2, Rovers 1 1 2, Boy Scouts 1 1 2, Japanese 0 1 0.

Wales Beats Scotland

Edinburgh, Scotland, Oct. 26.—Wales defeated Scotland by a score of 5 to 2 in an international soccer match here today.

Football Schedule

- November 5—Borden vs. Booth. November 12—High vs. Booth. November 19—Borden vs. High. November 26—Booth vs. Borden.

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