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FISH DINNER AT ST. REGIS

Alderman John Dybhavn Presides at Annual Event: Several Addresses Given

Several interesting addresses were given at the annual fish dinner celebrating Fish Day at the St. Regis cafe last evening. While the hospital dance interfered somewhat with the attendance, it was an imposing event and the speeches were informative.

John Dybhavn, president of the Fisheries Association, who presided, welcomed the guests. He said that for over 1000 years the fisheries of this continent had been in operation. Lief and Ericson had come to the continent and caught the finny denizens. Five hundred years later English, French, Spanish and Portuguese explorers reported that they saw numerous fishing craft on this coast.

The fisheries of Canada ranked third in the world being exceeded by only Britain and the United States. For ten years the average value of the catch had been \$10,000,000 and in the industry 70,000 people were employed. There was \$50,000,000 capital invested in the business, yet the fisheries were capable of enormous development. The banquet that night was to educate the people to the necessity of eating more fish.

Fred Stork

Fred Stork, M.P. said that in honoring the national fish day it was fit and proper that an event of this kind should take place at the premier fish port of Canada. The fisheries were the greatest and richest natural resource the country possessed. This was upward in the minds of the Government when it was decided to appoint a fish day.

Mr. Stork referred to the commission which had recently inquired into the fisheries. He said the commissioners had been impressed with the tremendous value of the industry and they felt it was still only in its infancy and capable of great development. They had recommended among other things that there be prospecting for fish, with a view to utilizing this fish. Much fish was at present wasted which might be utilized. The fertilizer plant at this city had recently been rehabilitated and he urged that all get behind it and try to make it a success. Dog fish were destroying more fish than any other enemies in the sea and it was recommended that a bonus of two and a half or three dollars a ton be placed on this fish to encourage its destruction. The industry would give employment to fishermen.

Mr. Stork referred to the duty on local halibut and said the matter was being taken up by the government. Canada had charged a duty of one per cent and the Americans had now gone them one better. This was the best fish town on the continent and he hoped to see the industry built up.

J. W. Nicholls

J. W. Nicholls spoke of the high taxes on the salmon fisheries. This would have to be rectified. While all industries had been the subject of legislation none had been so encumbered by laws as the fisheries. In connection with seining for salmon Mr. Nicholls showed that the total tax amounted to 37 cents a case. Part of this was taken by the Dominion and part by the Province in various forms. R. C. salmon had to compete with Siberian where there was a very low wage scale and with Alaskan where there were scarcely any taxes. If something was not done within four years the industry would have dwindled to small proportions.

Mr. Nicholl urged that Canada and the United States cooperate in making uniform regulations. The fish taken by residents from either side the line were the same, they were caught in the same way and the material used in the industry came from the same places. There was no reason why the regulations should not be uniform.

Steamers Here

Concluding Mr. Nicholls urged the desirability of loading the salmon and other products on steamers right in this port and shipping away direct. He had been almost successful this last summer in inducing a large



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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

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The first game of the newly formed basketball league will take place this evening in the Skating Rink between the Baptist Brotherhood and the Tigers. There are five teams in the League.

Tsimpsean Lodge, A.F. & A.M. held its annual ball in the McIntyre Hall last night. Thomas McClymont was master of ceremonies and the music was provided by Professor Paul Kauffmann's orchestra.

A big strike of gold ore has been made at Kitselas according to Fire Warden G. A. Kerr who arrived last night from the interior. Values run as high as \$700 a ton, it is said.

The exhibit of Northern B.C. ores at the Spokane fair attracted much attention. H. B. Brown of this city, was in charge.

The trawler Canada arrived at the cold storage plant yesterday afternoon after having made the 16,000 mile passage from England in four months. The little vessel almost sank in the fury of a storm off Banks Island and the coal cargo had to be thrown overboard before she could proceed.

WHIST STANDINGS

The standings to date in the Ladies' and Men's sections of the Fraternal Whist League competition for the Dybhavn Cup are as follows:

Ladies' Section		W	L	Pts.
Royal Purple	.....	2	0	2
D. O. E.	.....	2	0	2
Pythian Sisters	.....	2	1	2
Rebekahs	.....	2	1	2
Valhalla	.....	1	1	1
St. Andrew's	.....	0	2	0
L. O. B. A.	.....	0	3	0
Men's Section		W	L	Pts.
St. Andrew's	.....	3	0	3
S. O. C.	.....	3	0	3
Valhalla	2	1	2
S. O. E.	2	1	2
K. of P.	1	2	1
G. W. V. A.	1	2	1
K. of C.	1	2	1
L. O. O. F.	1	2	1
Moose	1	2	1
Elks	0	3	0

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steamer to come here for cargo and he thought the Government merchant marine should place boats on the service from here and develop the business.

POLYTECHNIC CLASSES KING EDWARD SCHOOL.

The following classes have been moved from the Booth School and will in future, meet at the King Edward School.

Monday: English for Foreigners and Millinery.

Tuesday's Bookkeeping class has been moved over to Wednesday and will in future meet in the King Edward School.

Business English and Arithmetic students are reminded that their class meets on Wednesday, King Edward School.

Public speaking class will meet in King Edward School on Wednesday night.

Electricity and English for Foreigners will meet in the King Edward School on Thursday in future.

A new class in Geology for Miners and Prospectors will meet in the King Edward School on Thursdays.

The Sewing Class has been moved from Friday to Thursday and will meet in the Booth School.

HIS CONSOLATION

Motorist.—Yes, it took me about six weeks' hard work to learn to drive my machine.

Pedestrian.—And what have you for your pains?

Motorist.—Liniment.— Pacific Weekly.

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