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Clang! Clang! Clang! Hats off to the amateur fire brigade which so heroically strove to save Sid Thomson's summer home at the Salt Lakes on Thursday last and which did such commendable work in preventing the spreading of the flames to the surrounding bush.

While not wishing to detract from the seriousness of the fire, however, there was a deft touch of humor abroad at the time of the untoward occurrence. There is no finer fat reducer in the world than the cry of "fire." To have witnessed the Marathon race from the Salt Lakes between two well known local ladies when they heard the cry, and who must have covered the distance from the Lake to Sid's shack in more than record time, was a sight that doubtless many movie men would have given their studios to have secured. Women and youngsters from every angle were soon swarming around the burning building each one trying to "save the surface." A popular young lady distinguished herself by rushing for a bucket of water, at the crucial moment tripping over her most useful garment and swallowing most of the water. Another amateur fireman was sent hurrying for an axe and in the excitement returned with a toothbrush. One or two of the ladies on the scene worked hard in getting in everybody's way and rendered yeoman service by dropping their hairpins and requesting the fire fighters to help them recover same from the long grass. One bright youngster suggested putting some more wood on the fire to keep it going while someone went across the harbor for the city fire department. If there had been a fire helmet handy one shudders to think of the slaughter that may have attended in fighting for possession of it. The strange thing about the fire was that while all present worked like Trojans, and suffered considerable torment from the flames in their colossal efforts to save the structure, the shack proved very unappreciative of their attentions and much to the disgust of the onlookers insisted upon burning down.

Fish Business. From Monday to Friday 816,300 pounds of halibut has been marketed on the Fish Exchange. Canadians were high at 14.5c and 8c, low at 12c and 7c. Americans were high at 15.9c and 8c, low at 11.4c and 5c. Arrivals were: Canadian—Ethel June, Hippo, Hanaeo, Nautilus, Dolphin, Toodle, Swing, Daisy, Athl, W. & F. Inez H., Fisher, P. Doreen, Cape Spear, Ingrid H., Alliance, Margalice, Nuba, Rose Spit.

Jap Sampan Built. A launch hull, 28 feet long by 6 ft. 6 in. beam, is being built on the Suga ways. In addition a Japanese sampan style boat has recently been constructed measuring 20 feet by a 5 foot beam and fitted with a 3 1/2 h.p. Regal engine. This is a new type of hull for these waters. The sampan is a boat shaped much like the ordinary skiff and is used on the coasts of Japan and China. The sampan is usually propelled by a scull but sometimes has a sail and a mat covered cabin.

The Canadian schooner Nautilus, Capt. What, is on the McLean ways undergoing deck recaulking and copper painting.

The power boat Ruby Mae, Capt. Chas. Currie, is on the McLean ways undergoing an artistic daubing with lipstick red paint at the hands of her skipper. The Ruby Mae is leaving port on Tuesday morning for Alice Arm where Messrs. J. and C. Currie are to erect a wharf for the Provincial government. When viewed from an aeroplane in flight the newly painted craft will much resemble the early stages of a volcanic eruption.

Big Bad Wolf. A timber wolf as big as a horse and wearing an expression of acute annoyance was again seen at Gillen's harbor, situated some 132 miles south of here. The fact was reported to the

secret service by none other than Capt. Art Oswald so that there is no shadow of a doubt that a wolf does reside in that vicinity. The first report of the wolf seems to have reached the city sometime ago from the lips of skipper Handsome Jim who stated that he had been rudely interrupted by a large timber wolf while in that spot on a little hunting bent. At that time the wolf was so anxious to make his acquaintance that it became necessary for Jim to put on a little speed and make for the protection of the schooner out on the bay. It is on the cards that Jim, in company with a battery of amateur artillery, will make a bold bid this fall to rid the world of this dangerous specimen of deer destroyer. If the wolf in question grows much larger it will be necessary to send out an armed expeditionary force to do the slaying.

Canadian schooner Alliance No. 1, Capt. Chris Henriksen, had the misfortune to break her tailshaft while out on the fishing grounds and had to be towed into port on Wednesday. The schooner is now on the Ward ways undergoing the necessary repairs. The hull is also being copper painted.

Successful Cruise. The appearance of the Maeve, Capt. Alex McDonald, skimming across the harbor on Wednesday and heading for Cow Bay caused a great deal of excitement in admiralty circles. Skipper Alex, aboard the Maeve, has been on a holiday cruise as far as Dundas Island and some wonderful stories of his water experiences are aboard. It appears that a large school of halibut chased the boat on the return trip and had it not have been for the wonderful behavior of the box of tricks something serious might have happened the famous craft. The Maeve is shortly to be commissioned in the fall and winter crab hunting activities and a thorough overhaul of the gun turrets on the boat is to be made shortly.

Skipper Charlie Streethorse was a visitor to port this week from Dundas Island on his power boat Red.

The power boat Earn, owned and skippered by L. Goodwin, arrived in port on Tuesday from North Island with a good catch of fish. The landing comprised 700 cohoes and about 700 pounds of springs.

Lieut. Sandford Leaves. Many local young ladies will regret the departure of Lieut. Sandford, of the Canadian Signalling corps, who recently returned to Vancouver after a short and exciting visit to this port. Mr. Sandford had been carrying out some wireless experiments in connection with the fishery patrol hydroplanes. As a signaller he was A.1. but as a lady-killer he took the double holed doughnut. However, like most men he had his faults, one of the most serious being his lack of knowledge of the geography of the town.

The engine of the troller Nordcap has recently been fitted with an Atwater-Kent ignition system. Ray Love did the necessary installation work.

Charlie Nelson, mayor of Sourdough Bay, was a visitor to Cow Bay on Thursday morning. Judging from the serious look on Charlie's face there was important municipal business on hand.

Another on Jim. There is a good story going the waterfront rounds this week on Jim Lee. It seems that Jim had very important business to do up-town and time was the essence of the contract. Telephoning for a taxi Jim hit for the end of the dock. Imagine Jim's surprise upon meeting Frank Morris who asked him if he had phoned for a car. In the hurry Jim evidently got hold of the wrong number.

Skipper Dave Stuart is doing great work on his launch Tseckewa, which he is remodelling. The second storey is now well advanced and there is some talk that Dave is going to build a brick chimney flue to save fire hazard. It will certainly give the craft a solid looking appearance. It is said that the skipper will borrow a few hundred revolutions from the fishery patrol hydroplane engines for in-

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stallation in his own power plant. The power boat Spey, skippered by Lorrie Lambly, arrived from Lewis Island on Wednesday night and cleared again on Thursday morning for Dundas Island.

Surprise on Nauticals. A most enjoyable time was had by all on Wednesday night when a mixed gang made a surprise party raid upon the up-town residence of ePte Solem and Pete Laurenzen situated on Third Avenue East. The attack was organized as a frontal one but upon the members of the party taking up their respective positions it was noticed that no signs of life were in evidence. It therefore became necessary to send out scouts, the scouting work was ably carried out by Andy McDonald, who gained access to the premises from the rear in a manner best known to himself. Upon gaining their objective the gang started in to clean out the furniture, and if medals were offered for furniture removing we have an idea who would win the first one. A prominent local musician was told off to conduct the gramophone and soon the fun was in full swing. Pete Solem was the first member of the household to arrive on the scene and he soon got busy lighting the fire with half a pound of butter. Pete Laurenzen followed soon afterwards and obliged the assembly by participating in an exhibition waltz to the tune of "The Death of Nelson." Delectable refreshments were served at midnight and delightful dancing was enjoyed until the early hours. For a swell rendezvous for a surprise party take the tip, dear reader.

Paddy Sullivan is under the doctor's care as a result of an accident at the Grand Trunk Pacific wharf when he injured his knee-cap in an accident with a large truck. Paddy came to grief on August 4 and it will probably be a fortnight before he can resume work. In the meantime, he is prevented from making a "nice piece of change" purse seining which he had expected to do.

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