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The waterfront business has been slightly interefered with by the Victoria Day holiday intervening on Monday last when the Fish Exchange did not operate and the other business houses were closed. However, the holiday has had little effect upon the volume of work carried out during the remainder of the week and a small thing like a holiday does not retard the fishermen or their colleagues very much. On Tuesday some 300,000 pounds of halibut was marketed on the Fish Exchange when prices for both American and Canadian landings dropped a few points.

While the weather man did not serve up a particularly brilliant brand of weather for the holiday, it might have been worse. In spite of several intermittent showers, the nautical fraternity and their families were astir early in the day and many of the schooners in port put out for distant points loaded with joyous fares of women and children.

With the local canneries getting into the season's stride, there is considerable activity among the large packing and work boats of the fleet and several of the larger utility boats in port have been overhauled and are in readiness to engage in this class of work. A flotilla of native boats has been in port this week from the Naas river district and Kitkatla on their way to the canneries.

Purchases New Launch

Hubert Ward has recently purchased the 33 foot launch Bonanza from Anyox interests and is disposing of his former launch Eva. The Bonanza has a beam of 9 foot, is powered with a 10-12 h.p. Palmer engine attaining a speed of around 7 miles per hour and has sleeping accommodation for 4 persons. At present the launch is on the McLean ways for a general overhaul and painting. The first trial of the boat was given over the holiday week end when Mr. and Mrs. Ward and son took a run out to Spiller River to enjoy the trout fishing at that point. The return trip was made in 2 hours and 40 minutes against the tide.

W. Ridley, of Kitkatla, has his new 12 h.p. Fairbanks-Morse gas engine installed in his boat and will proceed to the salmon trolling grounds immediately.

New Boat Launched

Cass Edwards' new 62 foot halibut boat has been completed in Vancouver and was launched on May 20. Mrs. K. Newell, of 119 Cordova Street, Vancouver, sponsor for the boat, officiated at the launching ceremony and christened the new craft "Emma K." The Emma K., which is rated as one of the smartest boats on the coast, took the water splendidly.

Battle Anniversary

Lest we forget. Tomorrow, May 31, is the ninth anniversary of the Battle of Jutland when the German high seas fleet was put to route by the British navy under command of Admiral Jellicoe.

Joe Miller is having a trolling boat built at the Cow Bay creek ways.

The Suga yards have three purse-seine skiffs under construction for the Lowe Inlet cannery.

Engine Trials

Capt. C. G. Minns, who has recently completed the installation of a new Universal engine in his boat, took her out on a trial run on Wednesday evening. The engine turns up around 2,000 revolutions a minute, and gives the boat a fine turn of speed. Skipper Minns is expecting big things from the new box of tricks at the Yacht Club regatta on June 4. It is expected the betting will be around even money on the Minns' craft for the Yacht Club cup.

Joe Spencer has recently had his power boat remodelled on the Cow Bay creek ways and will take over a contract with the Sunnyside cannery this season.

Weldon McAfee of the Georgetown mill has taken over the management of the local office for the Bag Bay Lumber Co. in the absence of Ralph Le Pine, who, accompanied by Mrs. Le Pine, is taking a prolonged holiday in southern cities including Los Angeles.

Don't Like Bread

If you should ever chance to be invited to join Messrs. Woods, Parr and Grimble, of Cold Storage fame, on a fishing expedition never by any chance take along such a useless food as bread or you may see unexpected trouble. The three aforementioned piscatorial wonders took it into their heads to go up to Woodworth lake over the holidays to hunt trout and upon arrival at their camp discovered, apparently much to their joy, that no one had brought along any bread. It is said that Billy wept with happiness while Fred broke into song when the discovery was made. The party left port in the Leviathan II. on Saturday morning and being unable to find an engine lying around loose decided to rely upon a three man power affair which worked well in spasms. At the conclusion of the first mile it was necessary to hove to and render first aid to Billy's hands which had become more or less marked with the beastly paddle. Dr. Parr saved the day by smearing the injured member with some bacon fat. The ship had not got much further on the course when Billy again distinguished himself by dropping his fishing rod and tackle over the side. However, a few minutes of fancy diving soon restored the missing article. Between Sunday morning and Monday afternoon one of the fishermen—the real culprit's name is not to hand—caught a half inch fish. In the fight for the fish the poor little thing got badly beaten up and only half of it was finally recovered. The party returned home on Monday night safe but empty.

A Comfortable Boat

Doug. Stork's power launch Sunbeam II. has been recently transformed into a very useful looking and comfortable cruiser. The observation cabin, formerly covered with canvas curtains, has been closed in with boarding and swinging berths have been installed which gives sleeping room for four full-sized persons. When the berths are closed up the cabin gives nice comfortable room for observation purposes through four large windows. In addition two persons can sleep in the fore part of the boat. The interior looks very inviting and with plenty of power Doug should be able to entertain royally during the amateur fishing season.

The Canadian schooners Atli, Pair of Jacks and Ingred H. have been up on the Ward ways during the week for painting and general overhaul.

The Misses Weatherhead, McKay, Rothwell and Mercer, members of the local teaching staff, spent a very enjoyable holiday week end over at Metlakatla. The party left on Friday night aboard the launch Joy Bird, Capt. Cook returning to port on Monday night.

Capt. "Handsome" Jim Morrison has fished for the last time on the high spots and the famous schooner Caygeon now has Capt. Oscar Young at the gadgits. Jim has joined the staff of the Geo. Bushby towing fleet and is master of the tugboat Tide Rip for the time being. We understand that Mr. Bushby will permit "Handsome" Jim to pose for the summer tourists at stated intervals in the interests of the port.

The Latest Engine

The latest and one of the finest marine engines to arrive in Prince Rupert, and for that matter in the Dominion, is the 20 h.p. Denmark deisel engine, manufactured by the Hein Sonos Company to be installed in the new Havmoller trolling boat which is being built in the McLean yards. This engine is of the full deisel 4 cycle class and one of the most reliable crude oil engines on the market today. A feature of the engine is that it so well counter-balanced that it does not necessarily need to be bolted in a boat at all. The makers guarantee that it can be run at full speed on the stand unfastened and that it will not move a fraction of an inch. The vibration is therefore nil. The engine is now at the McLean yards and is causing a great deal of interest among local fishing boat owners.

Henry Carlson of Kitkatla is in port with his power boat Kathleen and is having considerable repair work done on her at the McLean yards. The hull is being entirely recaulked while re-planking and deck remodelling will also be carried out. The engine will also be rebored.

Changing Engines

The power boat Wake, Capt. Clarke, is being powered with a Fairbanks 4 cylinder gas engine recently purchased from Dr. Sagar of Port Simpson. Dr. Sagar has taken the engine from the mission boat Northern Cross, Canon Rushbrook, who is putting in a new Standard medium duty engine.

Capt. Claude Ketchum has recently overhauled the engine in his power boat Wigwam.

Tugboat Busy

The tugboat M.T.3., Capt. R. Green, flagship of the Bushby towing fleet, arrived in port on Tuesday evening from Georgetown having in tow a scow load of fish boxes for the Pacific and Booth Fisheries. The tug has sincel left for Stewart with a cargo of pack horses and on her return south will bring a boom of logs from Wark Canal for the northern mill.

The schooner Lyskil, Capt. Pete Jensen, has been taken up on the dry dock pontoons to have her stuffing box and stern bearing fixed. Upon the termination of this repair work the Lyseki will cease fishing and will take over a contract with the Port Edward cannery.

Mrs. A. Clapperton left on the eastbound train this morning for Cedarvale to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Wiggins in an effort to get rid of a bad attack of rheumatism.

Out of Commission

It is announced that W. G. Welford, of boat building fame, is confined to his home suffering with a severe chill. Harry Day, the genial timekeeper at the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage plant, recently underwent a serious operation at the General Hospital. It is gratifying to know from Harry's waterfront friends that he is progressing very satisfactorily.

Mickey Calls In

Mickey Sullivan, secretary of war for Porcher Island, called into port this week on the bridge of the good ship Amy S. Mickey is looking fine and says he feels as skookum as a mouse in a gallon of cream. Mickey is anticipatng putting his boat into commission in the season's fishery patrol.

Arrivals

Arrivals this week were: American — Arrow, Alki, Lincoln, Eagle, Polaris, Wizard, Constitution, Kanatak, Spray, Western, Eastern Point, Kodiak, Atlantic, Glacier, Castor, Omaney, Atlas, Mildred II., Roald Amundsen, Onah and Sumner. Canadian:—Lyseki, Dolphin, Rose Spit, D.S.T., Cape Spear, M. M. Christopher, Volunteer, Scrub, Selma, Ingred II., Johanna, W. T., N. & S., S.A., Fisher and Nuba.

Fine Tugboat In

The tugboat La Reine, owned by the Vancouver Towing and Barge Co., arrived in port on Thursday morning with gravel for the elevator. This tugboat is one of the smartest looking craft on the coast and is of the latest type. She is powered with a 220 h.p. Polar full deisel engine of the 2 cycle type and is directly connected, having no clutch. The engine has four working cylinders and two manoeuvring cylinders, the two latter being operated by air. The operating cost of the 220 h.p. engine is 72c per hour covering fuel and lubricating oil. Her towing winch and lighting plant is operated by electricity which is supplied by a 16 h.p. Vickers-Petter engine. The tugboat, which 100 feet long by 20 foot beam, left on her return south yesterday morning.

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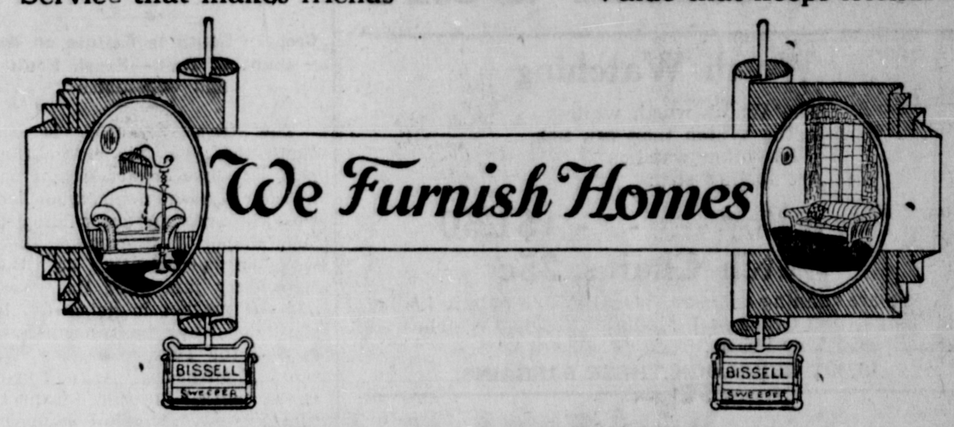

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