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Prices Slightly Improve

The feature of the week's halibut business has been the slight rise in prices offered over those prevailing last week for both Canadian and American first class fish, while on two occasions Canadian boats have been successful in getting a little the better of their American brothers.

Good fishing weather has prevailed on the deep sea banks and the lengthening days have been the means of enabling the boys to haul in maximum catches.

The refrigerator car shortage which existed last week, has been taken care of with the arrival of a special train of 25 cars and additional cars are returning from the east daily.

Activity is still pronounced in trolling fleet circles and with the continued good weather and rise in temperature the little fellows are getting anxious to be out on the salmon grounds. While a number of trollers have already left port for the Dundas and Hippo Island waters there are still a number getting ready to join the trolling fleet.

Fish Business

From Monday to Friday 629,600 pounds of halibut has been marketed on the Fish Exchange Canadians were high at 11.4c and 6c. and low at 8.6c and 3c. Americans were high at 13c and 6c. and low at 8c. and 3c. Arrivals: Canadian—Prosperity A., Affi, Atlas, Ringleader, Tillie S., Inez H., Nuba, Gibson, Westerner, Karen (salmon), Western, Minnie V., Dolphin, Joe Baker, Bingo, and White Lilly.

American — Venus, Rainier, Cora, Prosperity, Imperial, Allen, Kanaga, Tatoosh, Eureka, Star, Wireless, Leviathan, Virginia, Yukon, Lincoln, Tordenskjold, Pioneer, Summer, Akutan, Albatross, Tahoma, Blue Bird, Paragon, Middleton, Lancing and Wabash.

Money! Money! Money! It awaits you Mr. Trapper. Bring in your furs and get the surprise of your life at the high prices I am offering. W. Goldbloom, Second Avenue.

Billy Miller Arrives

There was hum of excitement around the Prince Rupert Boathouse on Thursday morning when the good ship Asawalgal, with her owner and skipper Capt. Billy Miller, mayor of Porcher Island, on the bridge was sighted on the starboard bow. A delegation consisting of Capt. A. Swanson, skipper Jeff Lambley, and Bob Thomas, chief salvage boss, were on hand to greet the mayor as he stepped ashore. Billy is in port for a few necessities for use in connection with his increasing ranching activities including lumber for building extension purposes.

The native power boat Markwell arrived in port on Monday with a large party of citizens from Hartley Bay who came with the express purpose of doing some shopping prior to leaving for the summer's distant fields in the salmon canning and salmon trolling. The Markwell returned to Hartley Bay on Thursday.

A Big Time

Pedestrians along the fish dock on Saturday evening last were greatly disturbed by the shaking of the planking, which reminded them of a jelly in convulsions, and visions of a pending earthquake flitted through their anxious minds. Upon passing the residence of "Doc" Clapperton, situated upon the provincial wharf, the shaking was found to be due to some fifty friends of the family, who had foregathered to pay homage to Mrs. Clapperton on the occasion of her birthday, enjoying quadrilles and Scotch dances to the snappy strains extracted by Chief engineer Sutherland, of the lighthouse tender Estevan, from his wind jammer. The fun started early in the evening when some 26 ladies captured the residence by storm before any plan of defence could be drawn up. Later on reinforcements were called upon in the person of the husbands and escorts of the visitors, who, as one man, jumped into the ring of jollification and gave the K.O. to Bill Blues and Tommy Grouch. Delectable refreshments were served by the ladies present during which two useful presentations were made to the honored lady consisting of a lace nightingale trimmed with canary lace and a silver cake basket. Among the nautical celebrities present were Capt. Ormiston, master of the lighthouse tender Newington, Capt. Bilton, master of the lighthouse tender Estevan, and chief engineer and accordion player Sutherland, of the Estevan.

Overhaul work has been completed at the Cow Bay Creek yards on W. Balagno's launch, which has been entirely remodelled, and also to Jack Lindsay's pleasure boat which has practically had a new hull built. Geo. Nickerson's launch has also been put through her paces in readiness for the coming of the balmy days.

Yacht Club Active

With the spring season well advanced the pleasure boat owners are out in force on the Yacht Club wharf armed with every conceivable kind and make of paint and paint brush and the "slap dabbing" can be heard far afield day and night. The fashions in boat colorings this year seem to be confined to a ghostlike white tinged with raven black while the fashions in brushes remain the same as in the days of yore and range from the hairless wonder to the more-hair-than-handle variety. The usual spring rush to get up on the ways for copper painting is on in full swing and a long list of boats await the accommodation. Benson's speed boat Poinsettia put herself on the grid on Thursday morning and refuses to budge until she has been redecorated.

The runabout Bruce, formerly owned by W. H. Waldorf, has been purchased by Sid Webb.

Geo. Hadland arrived in port early in the week from Oona River aboard his power boat Royal III. which he is re-conditioning in readiness for an early dash to the Hippa Island trolling grounds.

The Canadian halibut schooner Nuba was taken up on the Ward ways on Thursday morning to have a propeller trouble remedied.

Representative Here

J. Tandy, consulting engineer for the Canadian Vickers-Petters Engine Company, arrived in the city this week to supervise the installation of the 60 h.p. Vickers-Petters engine in the new forestry patrol boat which is nearing completion at the dry dock, and also to visit the Ward Electric Co., local agents. Mr. Tandy, who recently arrived in Canada from England and is on loan to the Vancouver interests, is very much pleased with Canadian business conditions and will probably make overtures to his superiors for permission to stay out here.

John Lindseth, the well known northern logger who has a logging camp established at Union Bay, north of Port Simpson, has recently completed the overhauling of his power boat Jiggs and has proceeded north to continue his logging operations.

Blew on Rocks

The troller Knox, Capt. Wells, went up on the Ward ways on Wednesday for hull examination as the result of being blown on the rocks of Lewis Island in last week's gale. Cap was able to beach the boat and do temporary repairs to enable her to make port under her own power. The completion of the repair work is being carried out in Cow Bay Creek.

The Canadian halibut boat Ringleader, Capt. Sollows, is undergoing a spring painting and general overhaul.

Floating Fish Trap

A boom of logs has been built at the Albert & McCaffery dock for towing to the Wales Island cannery, owned by the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd., which will be used in the making of a floating fish trap. The cannery tug Kitlap and the tugboat M.T.3., the flagship of the Bushby towing fleet, will tow the boom to the cannery.

The Currie pile driver has commenced the work of driving 30 creosoted piles and 15 hemlock fender piles in connection with the repair work on the Big Bay Lumber Co.'s dock.

Georgetown Activities

The tug M.T.3 Capt. R. Green, arrived at daybreak Wednesday morning at the Georgetown mill with a boom of logs from the John Linseth logging camp. Two scowloads of fish boxes arrived in port Wednesday evening for the Cold Storage and the fish dock. The M.T.3 left on Thursday morning for Georgetown with a scow of supplies and had aboard George McAfee, general manager of the northern mill who had come down to attend the special Board of Trade meeting held on Tuesday night.

The tug Eastholme will arrive from Vancouver on Monday with 200 tons of Nanaimo-Wellington coal for the Albert-McCaffery interests.

Pete Leighton arrived in port this week from Metlakatla aboard his power boat Verna L. and has been busy overhauling the machinery at the Akerberg-Thomson shops. Pete will beach the box of tricks for hull overhaul and will leave for the salmon trolling grounds in the Naas river district as soon as the work is completed.

The nautical definition of love —Love is a sea of emotion entirely surrounded by expense.

Bushby Fleet Active

The Bushby tugboat fleet has been on the busy side of life this week, what with taking the elevator dock piling over to Digby Island for storage, shifting the Laurel Whalen from the dry dock to the Summerville Cannery, delivering a boom of logs to Georgetown sawmill from Work Channel, helping the Kitlup to tow a raft of fish trap logs to Wales Island, slacking the thirst of Arnett's dredge with daily trips of the water scow and weekly journeys with oil fuel to keep things warm, and last but not least a trip to Georgetown to return Mr. McAfee home after his strenuous evening at the Board of Trade in connection with helping to maintain friendly relations with the United States in relation to the fisheries situation, oh yes, and we forgot to mention how Capt. Reg. Green brought in a Georgetown scow floating on her ear with an overload of lumber, but not a stick lost, after a hard all night session to keep her right side up.

Injured Shoulders

As the result of a scaffolding giving way on Wednesday causing him to fall upon his head, Bert Greer, of the contracting firm of Greer, Beattie & Douglas, which is responsible for the erection of the new Swift cold storage plant, suffered injuries to his neck and shoulders. Although able to be around Bert is feeling considerable inconvenience from the after effects of the mishap.

Liza Jane In

Sam Larson arrived from the Queen Charlotte Islands aboard his power boat Liza Jane early in the week and is busy installing a new 5 h.p. Regal engine in place of the old 3½ h.p. Regal. When the installation of the new engine is completed Sam is going out to the deep sea trolling grounds off the west coast.

The Millerd cannery people are waiting for the pile driver in order to start work on their cannery extension. In the meantime they are preparing to can spring salmon.

Chooses Petters Engine

The Ward Electric Co., Cow Bay, agents for the Canadian Vickers-Petters semi-deisel engine, have closed a deal with Capt. John Wicks, who has purchased a 24 h.p. Vickers-Petters semi-deisel engine which will be installed in his new halibut boat now being built at the N. M. McLean yards. This is the first of the Vickers-Petters semi-deisel type of engine to be sold to the local halibut fishing fleet and its installation is being watched with keen interest among local boat owners. The big feature of this engine is the low cost of operation for fuel and lubricating oil. These engines are built in England by one of the largest and most reliable engineering concerns in the world. Capt. Wicks' engine is expected to arrive within the next ten days from the Vancouver headquarters where all sizes of engines and spare parts are kept in stock.

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