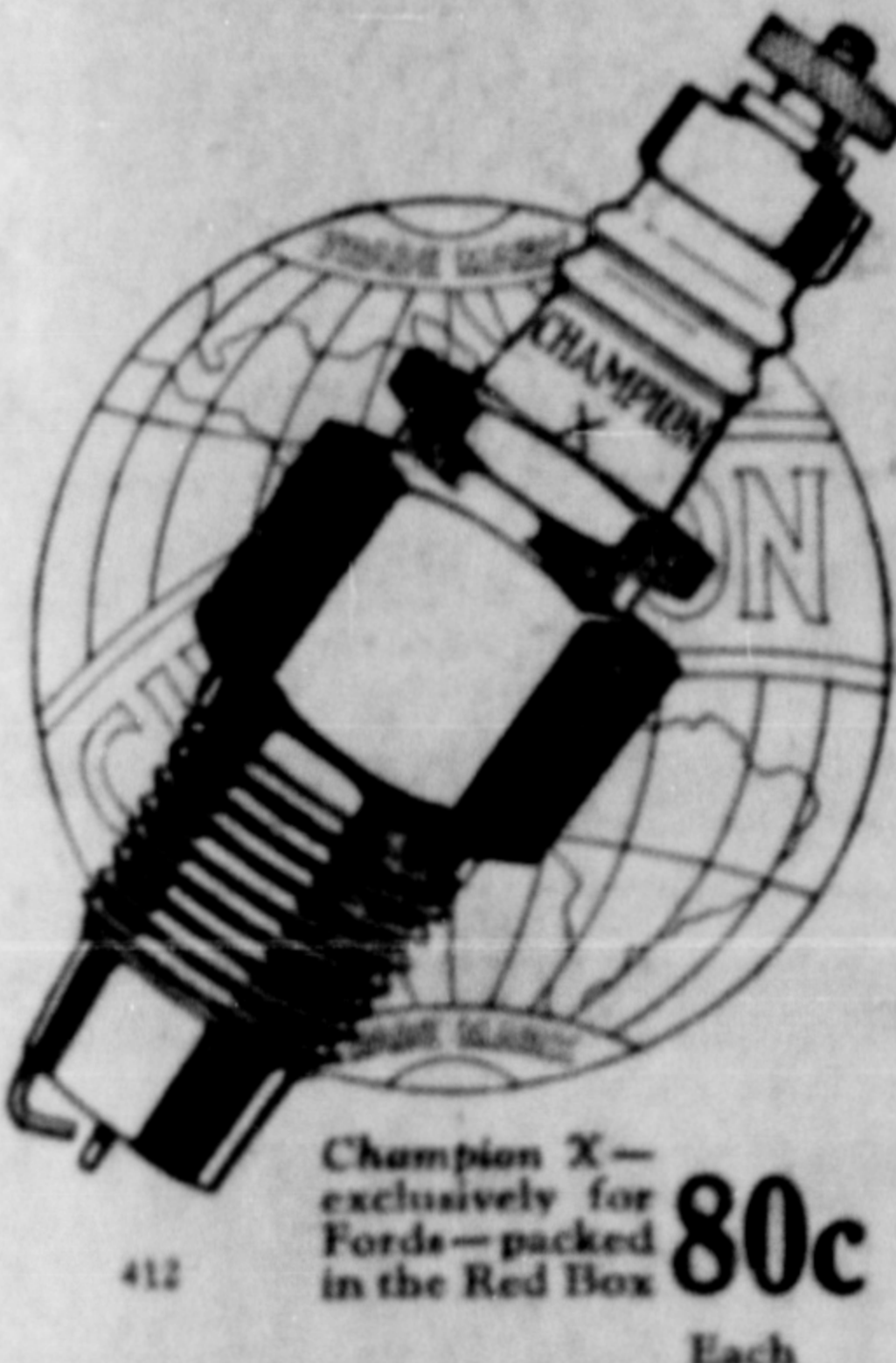


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WATERFRONT WHIFFS

New boats will be built for halibut fleet—salmon fishing improves considerably—fishermen's contest at Ketchikan

Between now and the opening of the 1927 halibut fishing season it is expected that several new schooners will be added to the Canadian fleet operating out of this port. This will, no doubt, be one of the effects of the present successful season which is proving profitable and encouraging to all the boats engaged in fishing. Even some American fishermen are said to be talking of building boats here and operating them under Canadian registry.

One local boatbuilder reported this week that he had been approached by no less than seven persons who contemplated building new halibut boats. Within the next five years it is predicted that the present Canadian halibut fleet may be tripled in size. This will mean a great deal of boatbuilding activity here and the coming winter may quite possibly see even greater work along this line undertaken than in the past nine months during which time, according to estimates that have been made, boatbuilding to a total value of over \$100,000 was done inside Cow Bay.

The new seine boat and packer built by N. M. McLean for J. Field was launched last Saturday night and early next week will be completed and ready for engine installation. The vessel, which is being named the "Northern Exchange," has already been chartered to the B. C. Packers and will be operated out of that company's new Skidegate Inlet cannery during the coming season.

The forestry boat Red Cedar was in port from the Queen Charlotte Islands during the past week for engine and electrical repairs.

Bill the Diver, of Kelpie fame, has been busy this week giving Stan Taylor's palatial rowboat its annual cleaning and painting.

Salmon Fishing Improves

There has been a great improvement during the past week in salmon fishing on the Skeena River. The average jumped from 8 sockeye to the boat to 56 and, according to latest reports, the run was still further improving. The spring fishing picked up toward the end of last week, but is reported to have fallen off again

WATER NOTICE

Use and Storage
TAKE NOTICE that J. M. Ruffner, whose address is Altin, B. C., will apply for a license to take and use 70 C. F. S. and to show 42 C. F. S. of water out of 4th of July creek, which flows south westerly and drains into Altin Lake, about 6 miles north of Altin.
The storage dam will be located at or near the foot of a chain of small lakes. The capacity of the reservoir to be created is about 1250 million cubic feet, and it will flood about 2500 acres of land, including the lakes. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about and below the proposed dam about 5 miles westerly of west line of 4th of July Mineral Claim, and will be used for power for mining purposes upon the mines, described as Altin silver-lead mines and further groups of Mineral Claims.
This notice was posted on the ground on the 14th day of June, 1926.
A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Altin. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the comptroller of Water Rights, Building, Victoria, B. C., within thirty days after first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is July 2, 1926.
J. M. RUFFNER, Applicant.
Agent.

MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS
Black Smith Mineral Claim, situate in the Altin Mining Division of Cassiar District, where located: On Crater Creek, a tributary of Fourth of July Creek, adjoining the Garry Owen Mineral Claim on its southerly side.
TAKE NOTICE that I, Peter Gabriel, Free Miner's Certificate No. 70850, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 1st day of June, A.D. 1926.
H. McN. FRASER, Agent.

MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS
Big Canyon No. 2 Mineral Claim, situate in the Altin Mining Division of Cassiar District, where located: On Volcanic Creek (Volcanic Creek), adjoining and southwest of Big Canyon No. 2 Extension Mineral Claim (Lot 1171).
TAKE NOTICE that I, Ellog Molloy, Free Miner's Certificate No. 70739, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 1st day of June, A.D. 1926.
H. McN. FRASER, Agent.

MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS
Big Canyon Mineral Claim, situate in the Altin Mining Division of Cassiar District, where located: Near Crater Creek and adjoining and northeast of the Big Canyon Extension Mineral Claim (Lot 1171).
TAKE NOTICE that I, John Molloy, Free Miner's Certificate No. 70738, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 1st day of June, A.D. 1926.
H. McN. FRASER, Agent.

this week. On the whole, the catch of springs has been disappointing this season and is away below average.

Indications are, however, for a good run of sockeye and every operating cannery on the river is now running full blast. The fishermen themselves will do well, as 52½¢ for independent boats and 37¢ to company boats for sockeye are high prices.

The run of pinks is just starting to show and a few cohoes are being caught. It will be at least two weeks, however, before the run of these varieties starts to any extent in the river, although trollers are now catching cohoes in good numbers outside.

The fine new American yacht Argosy, belonging to Dr. Ed. Rich, of Tacoma, who has visited here before on his former yacht, Rosemary II, tied up overnight on Thursday at the floats of the Prince Rupert Rowing & Yacht Club. On a six weeks' cruise which will take them as far north as the volcanic Kodiak Island, there were on board the Argosy a party of eleven, including, beside Dr. and Mrs. Rich, Dr. Charles Baker, celebrated American lecturer, and two other medical men and their ladies. The vessel left Friday morning for Ketchikan.

The Argosy, which was built and launched just last winter, is 65 feet long and elegantly appointed. The vessel is propelled by two 50 h.p. Western-Wright engines and, acting as engineer on the trip, is F. B. Wright, the Wright in the Western-Wright. The vessel performed splendidly on this, her first long voyage, and the trip up the coast was made in easy stages, the vessel having left Tacoma last Saturday, calling at Nanaimo and Alert Bay en route.

Halibut Arrivals

Halibut arrivals for the past week totalling 764,000 pounds were higher in volume than for several weeks previous. American boats landed 544,500 pounds and Canadians, 249,500 pounds. This brings the total for the season to date to 13,332,400 pounds, 9,552,200 pounds from American vessels and 3,780,200 pounds from Canadian. Prices were at a high level all week, going as high as 19c for American first class fish and averaging 17c and 16c for all.

Boats landing their catches during the week (Saturday to Friday inclusive) were as follows:
American — Sumner, 65,000 pounds; Wizard, 52,000; Augusta, 10,000; Senator, 32,000; Valorous, 2,000; Wabash, 3,500; Radio, 50,000; Attu, 35,000; Venus, 38,000; Daly, 32,000; Lenor, 10,000; Sherman, 17,000; Yellowstone, 12,000; Eagle, 58,000; Eastern Point, 4,000; Helgoland, 70,000; Eureka, 21,000.

Canadian—Cape Spencer, 12,000; R. W., 7,000; Livingstone, 8,000; Marguerite, 4,000; Point May, 7,000; Rose Spit, 15,000; Volunteer, 6,000; Mab, 4,500; Ringleader, 10,000; S. A., 3,500; Morris H., 7,000; Pair of Jacks, 15,000; Brant, 8,500; Atli, 11,000; Eric Roy, 9,000; E. Lipssett, 15,000; Scrub, 14,000; Joe Baker, 12,000; Muirneag, 10,000; Belleville, 12,000; Helen, 12,000; Ter-nan, 8,000; Caygeon, 4,500; Gib-son, 8,000; Margalite, 4,500; Selma, 10,500; Dolphin, 12,000; N. & S., 3,500.

The halibut boat Iris, formerly owned by A. O. Franks and now the property of Ben Self, after having undergone a thorough overhaul including the installation of a new 16 h.p. Enterprise engine, left on Monday for the halibut banks with Jack Gadow at the wheel and Jimmie McLeod in charge of the mechanical end.

The former American halibut schooner Fisher has been converted to Canadian registry and is now being operated by Capt. John Hansen under its new name, Morris H.

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The Prince Rupert Boat House powerboat Myfanwy has been chartered for the season by the Dominion Fisheries for patrol work. Frank Warren, who is in charge of the boat, came in with a capture on Thursday afternoon.

The power cruiser Mae and Mac, carrying a party of Vancouver travelling men, was in port during the week, returning south this week-end after making a trip up the Nass River. The Pride of the West, another commercial boat, is expected any time now from Vancouver.

Good progress is being made by Mitchell & Currie on the construction of the new fish house at the west end of the government wharf for the Bacon Fisheries and, within two weeks' time, the premises should be pretty well ready for occupation. Then work will be started on the biological station which will adjoin it.

The powerboat Léila R., under the dual skipperage of Capt. Swanson and Alex Sain, went to Stewart and Ajax Wednesday night having as passengers P. Philip, deputy minister of public works, and G. C. Mackay, district engineer. The vessel is expected back today.

Fishermen's Contest
American halibut fishermen, well known locally, participated in the gear setting and lifting contest in connection with the Independence Day celebration at Ketchikan last Monday. The winners of the contest, which was one of the most interesting and unique ever staged in the north, were Charles Blomquist and Edward Swanson, of the schooner (resolute). Four dories, two from the Neptune, one from the Resolute and the fourth from the Anna J., took part.

After all were ready, the signal was given and the men who manned the dories commenced setting their gear, taking a course for Pennek Island. As soon as a dory completed setting its gear, it raced back to the starting point, immediately off the waterfront, and commenced picking up the gear. Then the fun started. E. Bugden and U. Bugden, of the Anna J., were the first to get their gear set and to commence hauling it in. Dog fish had taken the bait on each hook and the fishermen had to break them loose from the hook. While in mid-channel, the gear used by the Bugdens parted, at a time when they had a big lead on the other fishermen. Gamely, the Bugdens

reared back to Pennek Island and picked up the other end of their gear and continued the race. Although they finished fourth they were not so far behind the others and won much applause from the thousands who lined the docks, because of their gameness in trying to overcome so big a handicap.

Alex Buhom and Anton Hage of the Neptune were second and Henry Starheim and Rasmus Ahl-stad were third.

Many Ketchikan people, to whom the contest was a novelty, followed the contestants in small boats. When the gear became snarled or the fisherman had difficulty in getting fish off their hooks, they would frequently give vent to their feelings. One pair of fishermen, who had just experienced some particularly tough luck, became quite vociferous and then looking about discovered a boat in which many women were witnessing the contest. Apologizing for their language, one of the fishermen said, "It is our life and our language. This is no place for women. Take them away."

The contest was in reality a part of the daily lives of the men. (continued on page six)

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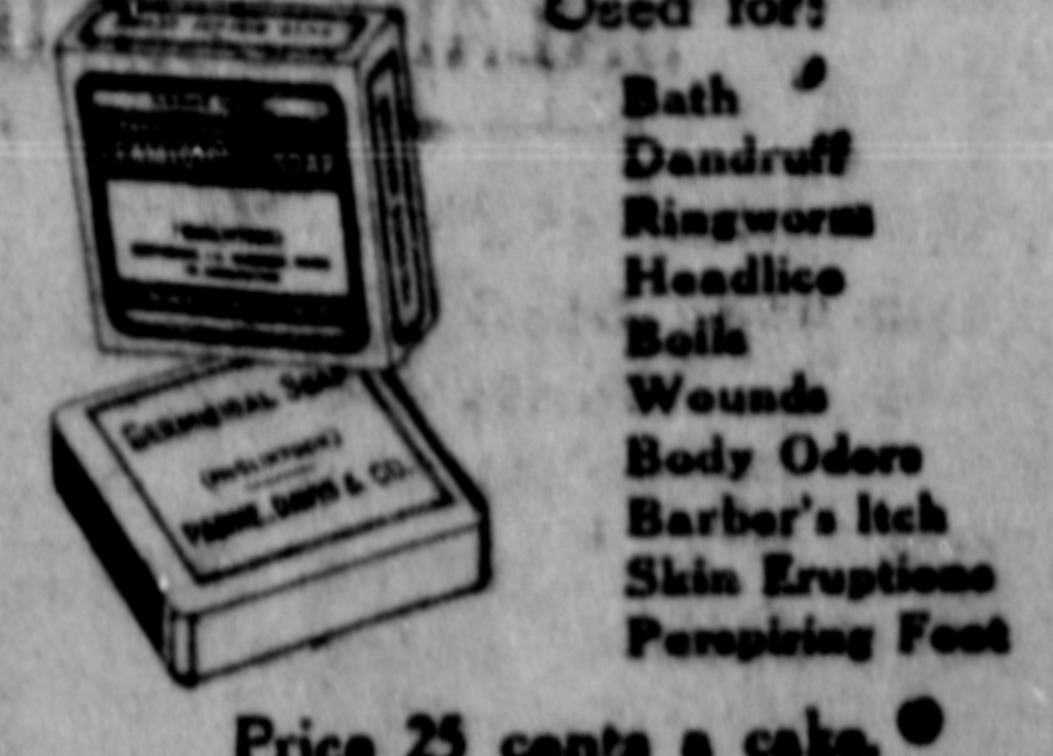
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TAKE NOTICE that Alfred Swanson, of Prince Rupert, occupator of the above land, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:
Commencing at a post planted at the south end of North Rachel Island; thence around the island at high water mark, and containing 50 acres, more or less.
ALFRED SWANSON, Applicant
Dated April 27, 1926.