

WATERFRONT WHIFFS

Salmon Season Nearing Close--Seining for Dogs Next on Program--Halibut Arrivals Above Average

Salmon fishing and packing is now on the last lap and the short season is approaching an end. Hump back seining is about over the heavy rain at the first of this week having been followed by virtually a complete disappearance of the fish which left the seining areas to continue their course up the streams. With the trollers still busy fishing coho and, incidentally, reported to be doing better now than at any time this year, there remains for the seiners only dog salmon, but it is expected that there will be a good deal of activity along this line because there is a better demand than usual from the canneries.

With the sockeye season over, the movement of the seiners and fish packers that came north this spring back to the lower coast has started. During the past week boats have been leaving various points in the district, most of the vessels coming here to outfit before making the long hop. Some of these boats will go right through to Vancouver and New Westminster, while others will engage in dog seining at points around Vancouver Island.

While the peak of the salmon season is now over, it will be well into October before the seining of dogs is finished and all the canneries are closed.

Powerboat Leila R., henceforth to be known by the unimaginative nomenclature of P. R. B. H. 28, made a trip to Wetcome Harbor, Pecher Island, during the week for a load of gravel for delivery to Albert & McCaffery.

The provincial police boat Adanac is now nearing the end of an extensive repair and alteration job at the dry dock and will be out soon, ready to give a service which in her former shape it was found impossible for her to perform. Besides having had the former 30 h.p. medium duty engine replaced with a 24 h.p. heavy duty Buffalo, the Adanac has undergone extensive alterations on deck, a pilot house having been put in where the open bridge used to be and another cabin installed. Finishing touches such as painting are now being put on.

Caygeon Squeezed

The rumor going along the waterfront early in the week that the well known local halibut schooner Caygeon had been sunk at Butedale was happily discounted on Thursday when word was received that the vessel had sustained little more than a little squeezing with no serious damage as a result of being jammed between a wharf and steamer. It appears that the Caygeon had sold her catch at Butedale and was fitting out to proceed to the halibut grounds again when one of the Union freighters nosed in and squeezed her against the piles. Something had to give and, fortunately, it was the piling of the wharf and the Caygeon had a lucky escape from what might have been more serious damage. In any case, Capt. John Wick was able to proceed to sea with the boat. The Caygeon was formerly the property of Capt. "Handsome" Jim Morrison, but is now owned by Dominic Mara of this city.

The Cow Bay floats, as is usual at this time of the year, have become crowded to capacity with native boats on their way to the respective homes in the district following the closing of salmon fishing in which they have been engaged. The coming two or three weeks until after the Exhibition will see many such boats in port, those on board being attracted to the bright lights of the city to pass a little time and spend a little money before "holing up" for the winter.

Capt. Claude Ketchum have in port during the week from the Queen Charlotte Islands, where he was engaged in fish troling during the past few months. The Viner, which shares the berth of the Wigwam, has been notable for the past few months on account of her absence, but it seems safe to predict that "Jimmy" Thomas ought to be in from the Skeena before September 14, for there is nothing Jimmy likes better than a political argument and it is giving away no secret to say that Jimmy is needed to counteract some of the philosophy of the other side which is being generously spread.

The Election

And speaking of matters political, the respective merits of the

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to Vancouver in order to have a heart to heart talk with the prominent lawyer of that city who sold him the Kelpie on the understanding that the seal fishing was to be opened.

The Bradbury & Yelf outfit has not been blessed with the best of luck this season but Jack Bradbury still exhibits the stiff upper lip and says they will pull through somehow or other. The new seine boat and packer built during the spring in Vancouver for the outfit was not able to come out on account of delay in the arrival of the engine. That, however, was not half so annoying as the accident to the Bethune recently when she broke her crank shaft, being laid up at the dry dock ever since awaiting the arrival of the new shaft. The accident happened just at the peak of the season when the boat was most useful. The two other boats of the company, Tip Top and Reveille, are seining pinks in Cumshewa Inlet.

Word has been received that Jack Toner is now a member of the crew of one of the United States Shipping Board vessels operating out of New York. He has made two trips to England and has also had a voyage to South Africa. In spite of all these travels, he still has a warm spot in his heart for Prince Rupert and a rather cooler regard for the party who stole the door of the famous Ark.

Eureka and Lincoln

The American halibut schooner Eureka, damaged in a recent explosion, is just about ready for the high spots again following the making of repairs at the dry dock. Tanks are yet to be installed and the decking put on but this should all be done within a week's time.

As for the Lincoln, more seriously damaged, that vessel is still lying at the dry dock, nothing having yet been done. Although the Lincoln looks almost a hopeless wreck, steps are under way to have the vessel repaired.

Alex. Wylie came in during the week with the Koyousu from the west coast, where he had been trolling all summer, and went out again to finish up the season at Dundas Island.

The cruiser Sunbeam II, belonging to Douglas Stark, is to have her present 13-15 heavy duty Buffalo engine replaced with a 14-30 motor of the same make which will be more suitable for the craft. Doug. expects to have the change made before the hunting season opens.

With the season well advanced and but two-and-a-half months before the close, halibut fishing is now going on intensively and will continue so until November 15. During the past week, the total landings were well above average at 847,300 pounds—607,000 from American bottoms and 240,300 pounds from Canadian. A notable feature was the number of large American schooners that sold their catches here. Prices fluctuated little during the week and Canadians received as high

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on the average as American, the general average being 15c and 9c. Landings to date total: American, 13,347,100 pounds; Canadian, 5,292,300 pounds; total, 18,539,400 pounds.

Boats landing during the past week were as follows:
American — Rainier, 50,000; Wave, 5,000; Anna J., 22,000; Rainier, 10,500; Seattle, 80,000; Omaha, 17,000; Trinity, 36,000; President, 18,000; Venus, 20,000; Wizard, 35,000; Valorous, 17,000; Teddy J., 14,000; Jack, 5,000; Eastern Point, 4,500; Lancing, 13,000; Constitution, 10,000; Prosperity, 19,000; Grayling, 15,000; Helgeland, 10,000; Polarix, 45,000; Vasee, 45,000; Kanaga, 40,000; Imperial, 16,000.

Canadian — Minnie V., 5,000; Alii, 14,000; Cape Swain, 9,000; Cape Spencer, 12,000; Torberg, 5,000; Dolphin, 9,000; White Lily, 5,000; Verna, 9,000; Point May, 4,300; Cape Suez, 14,000; Temen, 10,500; E. Lipsitt, 7,000; Pair of Jacks, 8,000; Gibson, 14,000; Joe Baker, 5,000; Helen, 9,000; Margalice, 5,000; P. Dorreen, 9,500; Kaiken, 13,000; Tramp, 20,000; Yule, 3,000; Mab, 2,000; Alken, 9,500; N. & S., 4,000; Brant, 1,000; Rose Spit, 12,000; D.S.T., 4,000; Birdie B., 2,500; Swing, 2,000; Murrineaz, 8,500; Ringleader, 6,000.

LOW PRICES OF HALIBUT NOW

Low prices for halibut at this time of year are not unusual. During the summer months production tends to increase and the demand to decrease, according to a prominent fish authority here. He says that there has been very little demand from the big eastern cities of late. Halibut there is a luxury and the people who can afford to buy luxuries are away holidaying. The result is that the fish used are mostly the lower and cheaper grades and not halibut.

From this time on there should be an improvement. The holidays will be over in a few days and people will settle down to their regular modes of life. Then the demand for Prince Rupert's specialty will increase.

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"GOVERNMENT LIQUOR ACT"
Notice of Application for Consent to Transfer Beer License.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 25th day of August next the undersigned intend to apply to the Liquor Control Board for consent to transfer of Beer License numbered 470 and issued in respect of premises, being part of a building known as Port Clements Hotel, Port Clements, B. C., upon the lands described as Lot 7, Block 47, in subdivision of Lot 746, Queen Charlotte Islands, Prince Rupert Land Registry District, in the Province of British Columbia, from Frank Hicks to Herbert Hampton, Theodore Musconi and J. C. CIGANE, in the County of Prince Rupert, in the Province of British Columbia, the transferees.

DATED at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 31st day of July, 1926.

HERBERT HAMPTON,
THEODORE MUSCONI,
J. CIGANE,
Applicants and Transferees.

MINERAL ACT
Certificate of Improvements.

Wann Fractional No. 2, Anxox and Junita Mineral Claims, situate in the Athlone Mining Division of the Cassiar District, about one mile up stream from the mouth of Wann River.

TAKE NOTICE that the Engineer Gold Mines Ltd., Inc. Free Miner's Certificate No. 897701, 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 85, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.

DATED this 1st day of September, A.D. 1926.

H. McN. FRASER, Agent.

LAND ACT
Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Range 4, Coast Land District, and situate on Passage Island.

TAKE NOTICE that J. B. Francis, of Ponoka, Alberta, occupation Minister, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the North West end of Passage Island, near Coast Triangulation Sta. 1142; thence around the island at high water mark and containing 1000 acres, more or less.

JOSEPH BRITLAND FRANCIS,
Applicant
11th 24th 1926

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