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FISHERMEN AND NEW REGULATIONS

A great many fishermen do not yet seem to understand the purport of the proposed new fishery regulations. Two points seem to stand out clear. One is that the fishing must be conducted in such a way that sufficient salmon will get to the spawning grounds each year to insure continuation of supply. Another point is that no government can step in and say one Canadian citizen can have a license and another cannot. Then comes the question, how is the fishing to be kept within reasonable bounds without at the same time doing injustice to anyone and so that the best possible use may be made of the product?

The department has made a proposal. The coast waters will be divided into fishing areas. One of these, let us say, will be the Skeena River including Prince Rupert harbor. Suppose the normal number of gill netting licenses to be one thousand. With that number fishing, the weekly close season will be 48 hours. The moment the number exceeds one thousand, the closed season jumps automatically to 60 hours. That would make fishing less productive to fishermen and cannerymen and the tendency would be to lower the number of fishermen who would operate there. If the fishermen numbered twelve hundred, the close season would again jump to 72 hours. This is prely an imaginary case. Licenses would be issued for Skeena River district only and before another license to fish elsewhere was issued the Skeena River license would have to be cancelled so as to keep track of the number issued.

Under this scheme fish caught in the Skeena area would have to be marketed at one of the canneries in that area unless sold to the Cold Storage for freezing or to anyone shipping them fresh to the market.

The chief idea in the scheme is to reduce the number of fishermen operating in order that the river may not be fished out.

CHIEF OBJECTION OF FISHERMEN

The chief objection to the scheme by the fishermen is contained in the clause which prohibits fish being sent from one area to another. That has already developed very clearly. We are not taking any part in the argument except to point out that the clause does not seem essential to the scheme, no matter how desirable it may or may not be. The fishermen think they get a better price with the market open but to that the cannerymen dissent. It will be for the fishermen to lay their views clearly and plainly before the department in this regard forgetting everything that has gone before. If they have a better scheme they should propound it, but it must not be one that will interfere with the rights of a citizen to fish if he so wishes.

REGRETS DEPARTURE

Many expressions of regret are heard at the fact that Lieut. R. P. Ponder is leaving the city and on that account is forced to give up his work in connection with the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, which he organized here. He was most energetic, painstaking and courteous and carried out his onerous duties under difficulties which might have daunted one with less perseverance than he.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ponder will be missed here. It seems a pity that arrangements could not have been made to keep such good citizens here but the powers that be have ordained otherwise. The good wishes of all will go with them.

CHRISTMAS IN LOCAL LARDERS

Opportunities to Buy Almost Everything Needed for Proper Holiday Celebration

With Christmas only ten days away, the stores downtown are now acquiring that expectant, anticipatory atmosphere so much associated with this time of the year. The mingled odors of the grocery stores are gustatorily exciting and the gaily decorated windows full of toys are a joy to behold, bringing up visions of all the past Christmas mornings when all of us were on the verge of realization of our unknown wishes. This week sees the local stores all well stocked with all the "makins" for a Merry Christmas dinner. Among the fruits available are grapes, pears, Florida grapefruit, bananas, navel and Jap oranges while there are also good supplies of cauliflower, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, radishes, green onions, sweet potatoes, parsley, Brussels sprouts, celery, spinach, Hubbard squash and Spanish onions.

One of the things noticeable this year, however, is the wastage in the Jap oranges which perhaps partly accounts for the higher price than last year's. At

the beginning of the season this is rather unusual and so far has not been accounted for. Raisins are now as cheap as they probably will be this season, and an increase in price is promised for the first of the year. Christmas being over by that time, however, most people should worry. Cranberries to go with the Christmas turkey promise to be short. They are scarce right now with the price at 35c per lb.

Butter took another rise in price yesterday and should soon be retailing at 55c a pound. Beef prices have been steady for the past two weeks and will continue high. The retail price this year is roughly ten cents a pound higher than it was at this time last year. Live cattle are still coming into the local abattoir and at the end of this year fully 300 head will have been brought in from the Bulkley Valley. A nice bunch of live lambs also arrived last week from Houston just east of Smithers and they were as nice a lot of fed lambs as could be wished for. Eggs this week are slightly cheaper with supplies more plentiful.

Supplies of pork are however rather disappointing, the quantity offered at Edmonton during November being only 35 per cent of those offered in November, 1926.

The consequent scarcity will doubtless have the effect of causing all pork products to go higher. Turkeys promise to retail at from 55c to 60c, geese from 38c



Doris quietly disappeared into the night

CAN LOVE BE SUPPRESSED?

"Love is of man's life a thing apart— 'Tis woman's whole existence!"

DAVID was very proud of his beautiful young wife . . . and he really loved her . . . yet . . . he allowed himself to be lured by the eternal song of the siren. She was pretty — this siren with the pharmaceutical blush and peroxide coiffure—pretty in a cheap sort of a way . . . and she knew how to handle men! Of course, she made her appeal through David's innate vanity—ignoring his weaknesses, lauding his virtues. And Doris, busy with her manifold household duties, never even suspected disloyalty.

But after the private detective had verified neighbourly gossip, did the disillusioned wife go into hysterics and then sue for divorce? She did not! Doris merely invited her rival to dinner, turned her over to her husband . . . and then quietly disappeared into the night!

An old proverb says: "To hurt is easy, to heal is hard." But a woman's heart, once fully possessed by love for a man, is like a strong box without a key. For three lonely years — years fraught with misery and suffering—Doris remained away, trying to tear from her heart the great love that had so brutally cast her into the nocturnal depths of despair.

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In The Letter Box

NOISY RADIO SETS.

Editor, Daily News.
For the last week or two in Prince Rupert several radio sets have been making the night hideous with interference, consisting of howls, roars, shrieks and long continued low and high whistles.

With the exception of one or two sets causing a steady whistle most of the disturbance is from a number of one to three tube regenerative sets.

A great number of these sets are at present being sold very cheap in Vancouver, all terribly noisy in reception (causing noise in sets up to five miles

away) and will not give good reception here, so far from the broadcasting stations.

People using these sets possibly do not realize that their set is acting like a broadcasting station, as far as their neighbors are concerned, and ruining their reception.

The government radio department have warned all users against these noisy sets. People using them get little or nothing themselves, but often ruin a splendid program for those having good sets.

Practically all sets that receive good are absolutely quiet and do not bother other users, and it is a shame that these noisy sets continue to be used.

I suggest that all interested in good reception hear what a good quiet set will do, and endeavor to either get a good set or learn to operate the noisy set quietly, as by careful handling it is possible.

Several sick people who cannot get any other amusement have sets, and I believe people using sets should keep

this in mind, especially that young children be not permitted to experiment with the dials, to the annoyance of other users.

RADIO OWNER.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

On account of the increased cost of provisions, an advance of prices is announced by the White Lunch, Self's Cafe and the Royal Cafe.

Speakers on behalf of Col. C. W. Peck, Unionist candidate in the federal election, at a public meeting in the Westholme Theatre included W. P. Lynch, chairman, O. H. Nelson, J. S. Cowper, M.P.P. and Sergeant Major Jimmy Robinson.

Owing to snowslides near Hole-in-the-Wall, the passenger train due from the East is at least thirty hours late.

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