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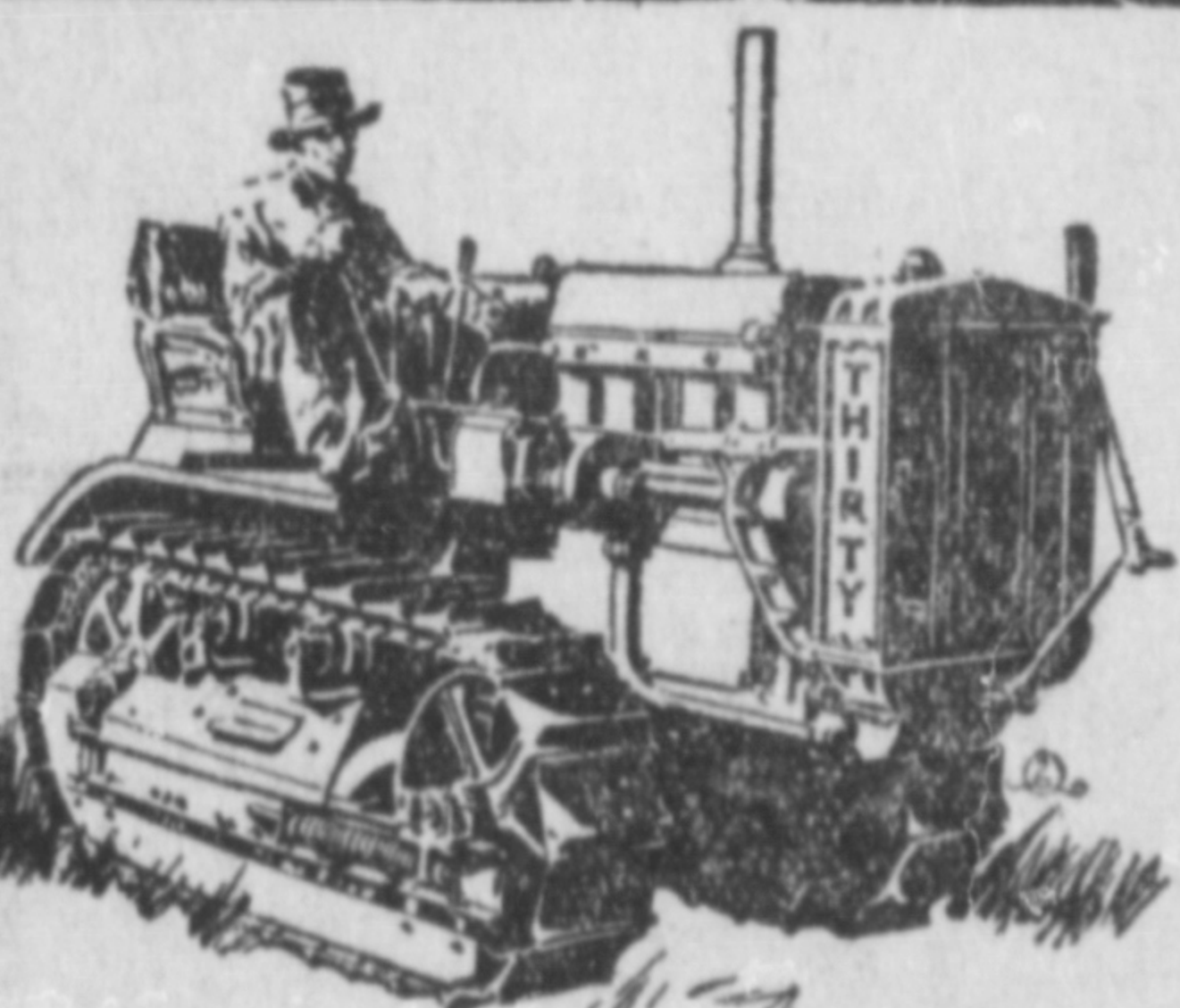
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Waterfront Whiffs

Yacht Club Regatta Tomorrow; Dorothy on Walrus Hunt; Halibut Arrivals

Providing the weather man decides to be a little more agreeable than he has been of late, the fifth annual regatta tomorrow of the Prince Rupert Rowing & Yacht Club should again be an outstanding event on the local waterfront. An interesting program of events has been arranged and some generous prizes are being offered to make the competition worth while, so many owners are planning on having their craft participate in the events. Alex Macdonald, who has supervised most of the regattas of the past in capable manner, is again chairman of this year's event with other officials as follows: Official time-keeper, C. G. Minns; judge and starter, George Bushby; competing boats, Dr. J. P. Cade; chairman of course, R. E. Benson; entertainment and publicity, Alex McRae. The events will be as follows:

- 11 a.m.—Open handicap gae-boat race, six miles.
- 1 p.m.—Club cruiser handicap race, three miles.
- 2 p.m.—Open boat handicap race, three miles.
- 3 p.m.—Ladies' singles rowing race.
- 3:15 p.m.—Men's singles rowing race.
- 3:30 p.m.—Speed boat handicap race, six miles.
- 4:30 p.m.—Outboard motor handicap race, three miles.
- 5 p.m.—Mixed doubles rowing race.
- 5:30 p.m.—Tug of war, all classes of boats.

The cold storage scow which was wrecked some time ago in Hecate Straits and later acquired from the underwriters by the Nissen Packing Co. of Vancouver after having been reconducted in the local dry dock is still tied up at the dock here, where she is being operated by her new owners. The operation now is somewhat in the nature of an experiment, which, if proving successful, may be continued. C. Chalberg of Vancouver is in charge.

Dorothy After Walrus

Bound for the Siberian Arctic to search for species of giant walrus, the big halibut schooner Dorothy, Capt. Ole Hvatum, until recently under charter to the International Fisheries Commission, cleared recently from Seattle to Nome, where she will pick up scientists from the Field Museum of Natural History. The expedition hopes to return at the end of the summer with specimens suitable for mounting in a new natural life exhibit planned by the Field Museum.

The usual midseason lightness of halibut landings was felt at Prince Rupert during the past week when only 475,800 pounds was brought in, this being made up of 239,300 pounds American fish and 236,500 pounds Canadian. In regard to the lightness of American landings, it is heard that some of the United States boats have been going to Seattle because of low prices at Prince Rupert the week previous.

Despite the recent paucity of fish at Prince Rupert, the landings for the year to date totaling 13,791,450 pounds are still well ahead of last year's 13,138,400 pounds at a similar date. Canadian landings total 3,951,350 pounds as against 3,991,000 pounds last year while American landings are up to 9,840,100 pounds from 9,147,400 pounds. This year the landings are also well ahead of 13,235,500 pounds in the record year of 1927 so prospects are still bright that 1929 will be the banner year as far as volume of halibut is concerned.

The week was marked by higher prices than for some time past. American bids went as high as 18.8c and 8c paid the Rainier for 4,500 pounds, while the top Canadian price was 16.6c and 8c received by the D. S. T. for 7,700 pounds. The low American price of the week was 11.6c and 7c paid the Tahoma for 24,000 pounds while the Canadian low was 10c and 6c received by the Takla for 43,000 pounds.

Joins Biological Station

Ronald Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allen and local high school student, has been taken on the staff of the Prince Rupert Fisheries Experimental Sta-

tion for the summer months as laboratory boy.

George Smith, wharfinger of the Government Wharf, was confined to his home for a day or so toward the end of this week with light illness.

John Barseth, until recently skipper of the halibut boat Emblem which has now left for the West Coast of Vancouver Island to pack pilchards for the Island Packing Co., has signed on the Margaret I with Capt. George Fritz.

After having spent ten days in port undergoing mid-season cleaning and painting up, the halibut boat Gibson, Capt. Chris Henriksen, left again for the high spots on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Nickerson having left at the first of the week for a two months' motor tour to Banff and California, George Nickerson is now spending much of his time at the F. E. Hunt Ltd. ship chandlery emporium supervising the conduct of business there and entertaining and advising the customers.

A new Gardner compressor plant has just been installed for the diesel engine on Capt. Dan Larsen's new halibut boat Capella.

The Harla, with Skipper George Bryant, Charlie Balagno and party of boys on board, returned Wednesday afternoon after spending several days on a successful angling expedition to Lake Khtada. The party found the fishing just as good as ever at this popular resort.

Another angling party which met with fair success was that which went over the holiday week-end to Baker Inlet in Granville Channel with Capt. Alfred Swanson on the Myfanwy. Other members of the party were Don Crerar and A. Ivanson.

Joe Baker Going Strong

The Joe Baker, Capt. Clarence Campbell, bids fair to figure among the high local halibut boats of the 1929 season if things



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continue as they have been doing of late. The Joe Baker brought in a catch of 10,500 pounds this week on the high prices, and shared \$220 per man. A few weeks ago the vessel did even better than this on one trip.

The Nechako, one of the best known local power cruisers, changed hands this week on being sold by George Arnold to U. Suga. The vessel will be dismantled by the new owners and the material used in other boats. Brought here from the south ten years ago or more by Fred Brynildsen, now of Seattle, later being acquired by Mr. Arnold. The Nechako is 34 feet five inches in length and is equipped with a 12 h.p. Automatic engine.

Having on board Joe Roerig, the power cruiser Myfanwy, Capt. Alfred Swanson, left yesterday for a trip to Warke Canal. It is the ambition of Mr. Roerig, a former resident of this city and now living in Chicago, to successfully troll for a big spring or coho salmon.

The seventh of the recent Olympia to Juneau racing yachts to call here on the way south, the power cruiser Maidie of Bellingham arrived on Wednesday afternoon from the north and left the next afternoon for Puget Sound. Having heard tales of big trout that were caught at Klew Nuetget in Grenville Channel, Skipper F. Powers decided to call in there on his way south to try his luck.

Salmon Fishing

The past week has seen a slight improvement in sockeye fishing on the Skeena and Naas Rivers, on both of which streams boats have been averaging about eighteen fish per day. The number of licenses on the Skeena River is getting close up to the number of 1100 on reaching which an additional 12 hours weekly close season will be imposed. On the Naas River, 250 licenses have been taken out, the limit before imposition of additional close season being 300. Rivers Inlet and Smith's Inlet have now gone over their quota and the weekly close season there has been extended 12 hours.

On the Skeena River, the pack up to the end of June, with little over a week's fishing, had reached 6,288 cases including 3,014 cases of sockeye and 2200 cases of red springs. On the Naas River the pack was 2590 cases of which 2321 cases were sockeye.

Sockeye will be the principal fish caught until about the end of July when the pink run usually commences.

The first seaplane to be used in fisheries patrol this season arrived at Swanson Bay this week. It is a machine of the Western Canada Airways Ltd., Vancouver, piloted by W. N. Cumming.

On Thursday a Japanese fisherman, K. Sawaki, of Balmoral was fined \$100 by Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. McLeod at Prince Rupert for fishing a longer net than is allowed.

CALENDAR REFORM IS ENDORSED BY PRINCE RUPERT BOARD TRADE

The question of calendar reform was before the Board of Trade at its monthly meeting last night and it was decided to endorse the proposal for an international convention as suggested by the League of Nations to bring about a change.

The movement for calendar revision is being engineered by Moses Cotsworth of New Westminster, who was here a few days ago.

A. D. Watt, C.N.R. divisional master mechanic, arrived in the city on this afternoon's personally conducted tour special train from the interior and will return to Prince George Monday morning.

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RESOLUTION ON OPENING UP OF PEACE COUNTRY

The grain committee of the Board of Trade which has had in hand the preparation of resolutions to submit to the Canadian Chamber of Commerce at its Alberta meeting in September reported on the result of their work at the meeting of the board last night. Included in it was a resolution which was telegraphed to the secretary at Montreal and which will come before the convention as follows:

"Whereas the Peace River district is rapidly becoming settled and settlers therein are at a great disadvantage on account of the long haulage on railways and consequent high freight costs and in most districts complete lack of railways, and

"Whereas, the Pacific coast is the natural railway outlet for the Peace River district, therefore

"Be it resolved that the Canadian Chamber of Commerce request the federal government to immediately survey all feasible routes west out of the Peace River district and determine upon the one that will prove most advantageous to the Peace River district and at the same time traverse, open up and serve the most valuable new country and then proceed with construction of the railway with the least possible delay."

PRINCE RUPERT AT CONVENTION

Board of Trade Will Send Five Delegates to Canadian Chamber of Commerce

The question of representation at the meeting of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce was discussed by the Board of Trade at its meeting last night, President Gonzales in the chair, and it was decided to help finance five delegates and the city council is being asked to do the same for five more, so that Prince Rupert may be properly represented. The delegates will be chosen by the president.

Miss Jean Harrison R. N., lady superintendent of the Prince Rupert General Hospital, left yesterday for Winnipeg on a

month's holiday trip in the course of which she may also visit Montreal and New York. During Miss Harrison's absence, Miss Phyllis Mooney, R. N., operating room supervisor, will be in charge at the hospital.

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