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Uncertainty as to When Halibut Fishing Will Start; Herring Seining Still Going Strong; Capt. Jack Morrison Returning to Sea

Yesterday was March 1, legal opening date for the 1935 halibut fishing season, but it saw none of the vessels of the regular Prince Rupert fleet out and, indeed, there is little in the way of preparatory activity as yet for the year's work. With a slow movement of cold storage stocks of fish giving little promise of prices which would make fishing profitable, the fleet is awaiting ank

improvement in this situation as the halibut fishing game several well as the outcome of minimum price negotiations for the year before making a start. The outlook is that there would be little, if any, fishing before April 1. The situation is much the same at all parts of the coast with all vessels holdling back. While there are a few who seem to be impatient to get at work, the general concensus of opinion is that nothing will be lost than usual. There can be no more fish caught in the year as a whole in any case since the earlier the start the earlier the quota limit will be reached. It is recalled that last year fishing was stopped in Area No. 2, where the most of the Prince Rupert fleet operates, owing to the quota having been exhausted. Under the circumstances, it now appears to be but folly to attempt to go out and bring in fish that it would seem almost certain must be sold at a loss. However, it is expected that the first day or so of the season will probably see the arrival of the odd small Indian boat with the first halibut of the season for the fresh fish market.

If the example of one well known unit of the local halibut fleet is to be followed, Prince Rupert fishing boats will be going yacht-like indeed. This particular vessel came to our attention this week as we made our regular rounds of the PROGRAM waterfront and one must admit annual overhaul of which is near-that they had to be taught the ways. In Prince Rupert the commissioner that she is a thing of beauty and, ing completion at the local dry of righteousness first, before any believed such a plan might fit in if she would stay the way she is dock; went off the pentoons yes- ordinance such as water baptism very well with a general spring now, she would also be a joy for- terday morbing and early in the could be of any avail. The Lord clean-up and repair campaign. Details of Service of Witness Next ever. All dolled up in her fine new afternoon was at the Imperial Oil said, "Repent and be baptized," Certainly, there was much that coat of paint, with highly var- Co. dock taking fuel, after which meant to be completely im- could be done along this line during nished gumwood guards and such she made a trial run outside the mersed after one has repented of the next month or so. The city in- move. trimmings, she is certainly a glad-tharbor with Capt. Nell McLean of one's sins. Nowhere in the word of tended to do its part by having The following program for the some sight and the well known the Prince John in charge. The God did it state that children of certain old buildings repaired and 27°C Service of Witness next Wednesday owner is to be congratulated. No vessel will go back in service next an age of non-accountability were painted. It would all go to making ways bring quick result 39c evening at the Capitol Theatre is wonder he looks fearsomely when week. Rev. Dr. F. W. Dafoe, chairman, that her new coat might be scratch-Hymn, "All People That on Earth ed, soiled or otherwise contamin- the herring have been running in will give his farewell message enated. Knowing the natural modesty the harbor, blackfish, whales, etc. titled "The Witness Box Mystery" at of our friend the owner, we feel are also reported to have been seen the I. O. D. E. Hall and at this sercompelled not to bandy his name hereabouts frequently. Often, evi- vice he will dedicate this hall as the in public in order to save him from dently, the two are confused. sure embarrassment. But the boat referred to is to be seen down there | Capt. S. K. Gray, after having at her moorings on the front and been off for a month, is back in lovers of artistry and the more aes- command of the steamer Princess thetic when it comes to taste in Adelaide, having been here with marine craft would be well repaid the vessel last evening. Capt. James

> The early part of this week saw of heavy catches of herring being still taken in Prince Rupert Harbor by Lodge are planning an excursion to the seineboats Zenardi, Capt. R. Ocean Falls for a fraternal visit at Gammon, and the Fredelia, Capt. the end of next week. The inten-Ole Skog, the former operating for tion is for the party to leave for the Nelson Bros. Ltd. reduction the paper town aboard the steamer plant at Tucks Inlet and the latter Princess Adelaide Friday night, refor the Canadian Fish & Cold Stor- turning here about noon Sunday age Co. for storage as halibut bait, aboard the steamer Princess Norah It is understood that the Canadian which will make a special call at Fish & Cold Storage Co. has now Ocean Falls northbound from Vanput up about all the fish it re- couver to pick them up. Some fifquires. The reduction plant, how- teen or twenty may make the trip. ever, will be taking the fish as long as they are obtainable, it is expected. The Zenardi has also been disposing of some of its herring to the superintendent of the river divi- T. Anderson, J. Smoha, A. Day Northern Fishermen's Cold Storage sion of the Yukon & White Pass and G. Woodall, C.N.R. Ltd. plant for storage as halibut Route, and Mrs. McBride and two

Returning to Sea Capt. John Morrison, who quit Vancouver.

years ago to become agent for the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union at Prince Rupert, is returning to the sea this year and will be back in the halibut fisheries again with a boat of his own. Capt. Morrison returned to Prince Rupert on Monday from Vancouver, bringing with him the well known halibut boat Nornen which he purchased in the south and with which he will fish in the end by making a later start as soon as the season gets under way. Formerly owned by Robert Candow, the Nornen was built in 1916 at New Westminster and at one time belonged to Capt. A. O. Christianson, now of the Prosperity A. She is a vessel of 45 feet length, 11 feet, six inches beam and five feet, five inches depth. She is equipped with a 20 n.p. 'Frisco-Standard gasoline engine.

> tor, arrived the middle of this week from Vancouver and will be here for several days longer. He is inspecting the steamer Prince Ru- at the Pentecostal Assembly on the are being perused pert, now completing annual over- occasion of a baptismal service at | Explaining the operation of the haul at the local dry dock, the which Superintendent J. E. Barnes bureau in Vancouver, City Commis-Digby Island ferry boat Catherine immersed candidates after speak- sioner W. J. Alder told how one of B., the snagboat Essington and the ing on the necessity of carrying the important functions was to protugboat G. E. Foster. While the out the Lord's commandment. He vide work for unemployed by get-Catherine B: is off, the lighthouse pointed out that Jesus told the dis- ting pledges of the citizens for odd tender Birnie is being used as the ciples to "teach all nations, baptiz- necessary jobs. Last year in Van-Digby Island ferry boat.

by a visit to see this thing of art. Flood was relieving during his ab-

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ing them in the name of the Fa- couver, work aggregating \$550,000 ther, Son and Holy Ghost," adding had been provided in this manner C. N. R. steamer Prince Rupert, that he wished the people to know and in the year previous \$880,000. to be "sprinkled" as a substitute for

During the past few weeks while Tomorrow the superintendent Pentecostal Assembly has leased it for a period of three years.

The evangelist, together with Pastor E. J. North, is leaving on Monday for Terrace, where they will hold evangelistic meetings for a period of one week.

Services will be held at the local Pentecostal Assembly on Tuesday and Friday with Miss W. M. Robinson as the speaker for Tuesday and Local members of the Masonic Mrs. North speaking on Friday.

Hotel Arrivals

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P. C. Steeves, city; Carl Nordin, Atlin; L. I. Olson, Anyox; Mr. and Mrs. George Eyford, Cassiar; J. L. Blaylock, York; N. V. Towers, Van-

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Central

daughters and son were passengers | C. H. Elkins returned to the city aboard the Princess Norah Thurs- on the Princess Adelaide yesterday day going through for a trip to afternoon from a two weeks' trip to Vancouver.

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