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Waterfront Whiffs

Improvements at Fishermen's Floats Commence—American Halibut Landings Light—Sockeye Quite Good Considering Weather

Improvements at the fishermen's floats just east of the dry dock got under way during the week when the Armour Salvage Co. started on the dredging contract which it recently received from the federal government. The work consists of removing rocks between the floats and the railway grade, thus facilitating the mooring of boats on the inside of the floats and making fuller use possible. The construction of the floating breakwater, for which the contract was awarded to John Currie & Sons, is expected to get under way shortly.

Coast Halibut Landings

The records of the International Fisheries Commission show that for the period from March 16 to June 30, this year, the following amounts of halibut have been landed in the various ports on the Pacific Coast:

	Area 2	Area 3
U. S.	9,074,935	9,718,815
Canadian	5,601,945	214,539
Total	14,676,880	9,933,354

For the period from March 1 to June 30, 1935, the following landings were recorded:

	Area 2	Area 3
U. S.	6,594,285	6,267,857
Canadian	4,915,718	104,638
Total	11,510,003	6,372,495

It will be remembered that, although the halibut fishing season was officially opened on March 1 in 1935, a period of voluntary closure from March 1 to 31 was enforced by the halibut fleet.

For the month of June, 1936, the following amounts of halibut were landed:

	Area 2	Area 3
U. S.	3,141,231	3,016,233
Canadian	1,705,717	37,271
Total	4,846,948	3,053,504

C. P. R. steamer Princess Adelaide, Capt. Henry Anderson, arrived in port at 6:30 last evening from the south and sailed at 10 p.m. on her return to Vancouver and waypoints.

Four halibut boats sold catches totalling 75,000 pounds at Seattle yesterday, California orders being responsible for an uprise in prices. The sales were as follows. Aleutian, 27,000 pounds, Booth, 10⅝c and 7¾c; Summit, 17,000, Booth, 10⅝c and 7¾c; Westfjord, 16,000, San Juan, 10½c and 7¾c; Ionic, 15,000, 10½c and 7¾c.

Capt. Jacob Engdal of the big Seattle halibut schooner Eagle tells in the Puget Sound port of the depredations of sea lions in mutilation of halibut, a story that has been often told by Prince Rupert halibutters. Capt. Engdal points to the operations of machine gunners by Canadian authorities against sea lions. The American authorities, he urges, should follow Canada's example and make the killing of sea lions worthwhile which should be easy in view of their abundance on the Kodiak banks and elsewhere.

Landings of American halibut at the port of Prince Rupert was very light during the past week, amounting to only 120,000 pounds brought in by five boats. Canadian landings, from thirteen boats, totalled 144,000 pounds, making the week's total landings 264,000 pounds. The grand total of halibut landings at Prince Rupert up to and including yesterday was 5,636,000 pounds in comparison with 5,532,650 pounds at a corresponding date last year. The Canadian landings for this season have reached a total of 3,047,000 pounds as compared with 2,536,650 pounds in the corresponding period of 1935 while the American total so far this season stands at 2,589,000 pounds as against last year's 2,997,000 pounds. There was little change in the price situation during the week. The high bid of the week for Canadian fish was 7.5c and 5.5c received by the Pair of Jacks for 14,000 pounds and the low 6.4c and 5 3c which the Annabelle was paid for 8,000 pounds. American prices ranged from a high of 8.8c and 6c which the Estep was paid for 20,000 down to 7c and 6c which the Atlas and Liberty received for catches of 29,000 and 38,000 pounds respectively.

Salmon Fishing

Cloudy, cool and showery weather was not very auspicious for salmon fishing on the Skeena River during the second week of the 1936 season but, nevertheless, fair catches were made, the average being from 25 to 30 fish per boat per day. The spectre of a strike was raised during the week but latest word is that the strike is being confined to Rivers Inlet where it originated. Strike votes, according to reports, have been taken among fishermen in some of the other areas but they have decided against striking.

The Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. big fish packer Western Princess, which ran ashore in a fog on the extreme south of Digby Island, outside of Prince Rupert Harbor, early Wednesday morning while bound for North Island trolling grounds, was refloated the same day by the Armour Salvage Co. and, being found to be not damaged to any extent, left at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon to resume her packing work.

The Armour Salvage Co.'s big service boat Algie, under a sixty-day packing charter to Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd., was loaded at Shag Rocks, Graham Island, on Thursday of this week with a full cargo of co-operative salmon with which she arrived here this afternoon.

Skipper O. P. Smith was in port Wednesday from the Rose Spit trolling grounds, having brought in the Billy Boy for generator repairs. The work completed, he went out again immediately Bringing in a load of 1500 pounds, he reported that fishing had been somewhat improved of late although persistent southeast winds had not been helping any.

Prince David's Visit

In the course of its Pacific cruise from New York with a National Tour party of some three hundred persons on board, the Canadian National Steamships liner Prince David will spend the entire day of Thursday, July 30, here, according to information received from New York where the cruise started on July 2. Coming via the Panama Canal, the Prince David, before arriving here, will call at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Vancouver, Ketchikan, Wrangell, Taku Glacier, Juneau, Skagway and Sitka. She is due here at 7 o'clock on the morning of July 30 sailing at 5 o'clock that evening direct for Honolulu. On the way back to New York calls will be made at San Diego and Mazatlan. It had been originally announced that the Prince David would be here August 1 but, according to private advices, this has been changed. Capt. R. A. Clarke, formerly master of the R.M.S. Lady Hawkins on the West Indies run, is in command. Capt. James Watt and Capt. Caldwell of the Canadian National Coast Steamships local fleet are to be assigned to the Prince David as pilots while she is on this coast. It will be the Prince David's first visit to this port.

Southbound from Skagway to Vancouver with a capacity list of passengers, C. P. R. steamer Princess Louise, Capt. S. K. Gray, is due in port at 3:45 this afternoon from the north and will sail south at 5:30 p.m.

Union steamer Cardena, Capt John Boden, arrived in port from the south at 11 o'clock last night and sailed at midnight on her return to Vancouver and waypoints

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to apply to Lease Land

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Range 5, Coast, and situate in Hudson Bay Pass midway between Baron and Dundas Islands, being one-half mile south of the most northerly of the Nares Islands.

Take notice that Robert Irvine, of Prince Rupert, occupation Shell dealer intends to apply for a lease of the following described foreshore lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on a rock one-half mile south of the most northerly of the Nares Islands, thence west 15 chains; thence south 15 chains thence east 15 chains; thence north 15 chains to point of commencement and containing 22.5 acres, more or less.

ROBERT GLEN IRVINE

Dated May 20th, 1936.

LAND ACT

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In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Range 5, Coast, and situate fronting on the north shore of the most southerly of the Nares Islands.

Take notice that Robert Irvine of Prince Rupert, occupation Shell dealer intends to apply for a lease of the following described foreshore lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on a rock 200 feet north of the north shore of the most southerly of the Nares Islands thence west 15 chains; thence south 15 chains thence east 15 chains; thence north 15 chains to point of commencement and containing 22.5 acres, more or less.

ROBERT GLEN IRVINE

Dated May 20th, 1936.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA IN PROBATE
IN THE MATTER OF THE "ADMINISTRATION ACT" AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN JOY, Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that by Order of His Honour Judge Fisher, local Judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, made the 22nd day of May, 1936, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of John Joy Deceased Intestate, late of Prince Rupert, B. C., who died on the 25th day of April, 1936. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same properly verified to me on or before the 25th day of June, 1936; otherwise disposition of the said Estate will be made without regard thereto. All parties indebted to the said Esate are required to pay th amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated this 22nd day of May, 1936.

NORMAN A. WATT,
Official Administrator,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

HOSPITAL MEETING

Board in Monthly Session Last Night—Various Matters Under Consideration

The question of the new hospital was the only matter of any great importance to come before the hospital board at its meeting last night. Those in attendance were W. M. Brown, president; Frank Dibb, G. V. Wilkinson, City Commissioner W. J. Alder, Dr. J. H. Carson and S. D. Macdonald, directors; H. W. Birch, managing secretary, and Miss Jean Harrison R. N., lady superintendent.

A communication from the B. C. Hospitals Association laid before the board the latest information in regard to provincial state health insurance plans, details of which were not yet available. There was no possibility of state health insurance coming into operation before the end of the year.

The board, asked for its views as to when the annual convention of the British Columbia Hospitals Association should be held, decided to recommend that it be deferred until early in November when Dr. Harvey Agnew of Toronto, an outstanding authority on hospital matters, could be present.

Fire Chief J. R. Morrison reported that the usual inspections had been made of hospital and nurses' home buildings and everything had been found to be in good order from a fire standpoint.

A communication from H. Douglas, inspector of factories, ordered that certain repairs and improvements to the hospital elevator should be made at once. Action had already been taken, the house committee reported, cable having been ordered and delivered. The board authorized that the work be proceeded with. In view of the probability of a new hospital building, extension of time until February 28, 1938, was granted the board for other elevator changes whch had been ordered by the inspector.

Miss Harrison gave a brief report on the recent biennial convention of the Canadian Nurses' Association which the board had sent her to attend. The gathering had been one of great interest and value. Education, public health nursing and private duty nursing had been the three principal subjects of discussion. The importance of making nursing service available to people who required it but were unable under the present private nursing plan to get it had been stressed and certain experiments in public health nursing along this line were to be instituted. There was still unemployment among nurses but this, it seemed, was reduced to some extent. Health insurance and tuberculosis among nurses were other matters which had been discussed by the convention.

Reports Presented

As for the hospital, Miss Harrison reported that it had been fairly quiet during the past month with about fifty patients receiving treatment. The average of patients since the first of the year had been some fifty-three which was higher than last year.

The report of the house committee, G. V. Wilkinson, dealt with a recommendation from Smith & Mallett that certain spare parts for the iron fireman of the heating system, at an estimated cost of $64.25, be ordered so as to be available in case of emergency. It was decided by the board that the parts should be ordered.

The finance committee report presented by S. D. Macdonald showed expenditures for the month totalling $3637.64. There had been 1352 hospital days at a cost per hospital day of $2.69.

Dance to Naval Officers Here

Thirty-five Couples In Attendance At Happy Affair Last Night

Lieut. Commander Rollo Mainguy, commanding officer of H. M. C. S. Vancouver, and officers were guests of the wardroom mess of the local Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve at a delightful dancing party last evening at naval headquarters. Music was played by the Premier Orchestra and refrsehments were served. About thirty-five couples were present and dancing was in progress until 2 a.m.

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