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HALIBUT OUTLOOK

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well ahead of the low mark of 4c and 2c in 1932. However, the division per man had not risen so greatly since there had been more boats and more men employed in the fishing. Vancouver boats, including salmon and other vessels engaging in early season halibut fishing, were also getting an ever increasing proportion of the Canadian halibut catch.

A gratifying feature of halibut business had been the winning of a greater British market, Mr. Winslow said. This had been to a great extent due to an improvement in the quality of the product in connection with which the Fisheries Research Board had been an important factor. Scientists and operators had been able to get together and effectively meet the problem of improved product. In 1937 some two million pounds of Pacific halibut had been shipped to Great Britain and in 1938 over three million pounds. No longer complaining about the quality, the British market was now capable of taking even more halibut from this coast particularly if there could be still further improvement in the quality of the product. The fact that off the Norwegian coast production of halibut was decreasing, indicated a possibility of further expansion of halibut export from the Pacific Coast.

In connection with steps being made to ensure an improved product on the British market, Mr. Winslow mentioned that a new type of refrigerator car, embodying improvements made through the studies of the Prince Rupert Fisheries Experimental Station, was at this time in Prince Rupert for loading.

Salmon Situation

Turning to the salmon situation, Mr. Winslow did not appear to be so hopeful for the coming year. Under the old trade agreement there had been a 3c preference for British Columbia salmon on the British market. Under the new trade agreement this dropped to 1½c and it could be taken for granted that the reduction of the

preference would be reflected adversely. Further salmon production, it might be anticipated, would be lower than it was last year. The sockeye run on the Skeena River was not expected to be heavy, estimates running around 50,000 cases. It was also expected to be an off year for pinks and the very large catch of cones last year had been unusual.

Closing his address, Mr. Winslow briefly referred to some improvements the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage had made to its plant during the past winter. To give the fisherman ice with the greatest refrigeration properties, the interior of the company's ice house had been rebuilt and the ice room re-iced, ensuring that only matured ice of zero temperature could be supplied to the boats. A downward revision had also been made in the charge for formalin service for hold boats would be able to avail themselves of this service which it was conceded definitely improved the state of the landed product.

The thanks of the club were tendered to Mr. Winslow for his address by President W.M. Watts. H. S. Meadows was named chairman of a club attendance committee.

WOULD NOT DISBAND IT

John L. Lewis Has No Intention Of Sinking C. I. O. In Interests Of Peace

NEW YORK, March 23.—John L. Lewis, president of the Congress of Industrial Organization, declared yesterday that he would never consider disbanding the C. I. O. in order to make peace with the American Federation of Labor. He charged the Federation with endeavouring to expand its organization while professing to be attempting to bring industrial peace to the United States. Efforts along this line to absorb the C.I.O. he dubbed as dishonorable.

TOTEM WORK IS RESUMED

Kitwanga Natives Are Pressing Representations Upon Authorities

KITWANGA, March 23.—After a week's suspension owing to weather conditions having been unfit for concrete and painting work, activity in reconditioning the historic totem poles of Kitwanga as a tourist attraction is about to be resumed following a visit by the Indian agent, Capt. G. C. Mortimer of Hazelton. Assisting the engineer in charge of the work, whose arrival is being awaited, will be Chief Matthias Bright as foreman. In charge of the re-carving work is Crales A. Derriek, who is an expert. The totem pole reconditioning work is expected to be completed by early summer well in advance of the commencement of the tourist season.

Word is being awaited from the management of the Canadian National Railways in reply to the request of the Kitwanga natives that they be given employment as track laborers and tie makers on the railway as recompense for the use of their totems as tourist attractions. W. H. Tobey, divisional superintendent, to whom the request was submitted, has sent a reply stating that the matter had been referred to the management and that, as soon as he received word from headquarters, he would immediately transmit the decision. Meanwhile, Harold S. Sinclair has been appointed to act as secretary in conjunction with Chief Matthias Bright and Chief George H. Moore.

The Kitwanga natives are also continuing to press their claims upon the provincial and Dominion governments for aboriginal rights of trapping and fishing along the Skeena River.

Efforts are also being continued to reach an understanding with the cannery companies whereby the natives who go each summer to work in connection with the salmon fishing at the mouth of the Skeena River may be ensured a reasonable return for their work instead of returning home each fall with empty pockets. Lower boat and net rentals or increased fish prices or both are being sought by the natives who claim that the canneries are profiting at their expense. The Kitwanga natives are carrying on their negotiations through the Native Fishermen of British Columbia organization, having not as yet joined up definitely with the Native Brotherhood of British Columbia.

J. M. Cohen, A. E. Fineberg and J. Wilson of Montreal, who have become interested in the Silver Standard mine at New Hazelton, arrived in the city from Vancouver on the Prince Rupert yesterday and proceeded to the interior on last night's train.

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Whifflets From The Waterfront

Naas River natives are again foregathering at Fishery Bay where the annual oolachan run is now under way, it is reported by a party consisting of J. G. Nelson, Charles Leeson, William Leeson and Patrick Derrick of Greenville which was in the city today. They arrived yesterday afternoon and left this morning on their return north. Ice has commenced to break up on the Naas River and there are floes moving downstream.

C. P. R. steamer Princess Louise, Capt. William Palmer, taking over the run for one voyage in place of the Princess Norah owing to an exceptionally heavy northward passenger movement, arrived in port at 9 o'clock this morning from Vancouver and sailed at 10:30 for Skagway and other Alaska points whence she is due back here next Monday afternoon southbound. The Princess Louise brought in 216 passengers and added nearly thirty more from this port. There were none disembarking here. The Princess Norah will be here tomorrow afternoon on the Vancouver-Ocean Falls-Prince Rupert local run.

Landings at the Boston fish pier for the month of February this year totalled 17,916,000 pounds.

The captain of the Prince John, on leaving Massett, smiled down on his dozen guests. There was a heavy sea and old hand as he was, he nearly stumbled when he rose to greet his guests. "My

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Modern Music Is Topic Of Interest

Mrs. T. A. McWaters in Charge Of Ladies' Music Club Program Yesterday

"Modern Music," with Mrs. T. A. McWaters in charge of the program and reading an interesting paper, was the subject of the Ladies' Music Club at its fortnightly meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. McWaters. The President, Mrs. Sheldford Darton, was in the chair. At the conclusion of the meeting tea was served.

The program was as follows: Vocal solo from "Twilight Fancies Suite," (Frederick Delius, English), Mrs. Bernard Lundahl. Piano solo, "Pierrot Triste" (Cyril Scott, English), Mrs. W. L. Stamford.

Vocal solo, "The Roadside Fire" (music by Ralph Vaughan-Williams, words by Robert Louis Stevenson, English songs of travel), Mrs. J. G. McKinley.

Piano solo, "Rhapsody in Blue" (George Gershwin, American), Mrs. H. O. Johnsen and Mrs. J. C. Gilker.

Piano solos, "Grand Canyon Suite," (Ferde Grofe, American), "On the Trail," Mrs. H. L. A. Tarr, "Sunset," Mrs. E. J. Smith.

Special music and dancing numbers, as well as the comedy of George Burns and Gracie Allen, were worked into the story as it progresses. Miss Powell has several new dances and there are some special song hits. The cast also includes Andy Iona's Islanders, the famous Hawaiian Orchestra, Rita Johnson, Clarence Kolb, Jo Ann Sayer, Ann Morris, Willie Fung, Cliff Clark, Edward Gargan, Eddie Anderson and Sig Rumann.

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FILM OF HAWAII

"Honolulu" With Eleanor Powell And Robert Young, Showing At Capitol Theatre

Eleanor Powell, Robert Young, George Burns and Gracie Allen bring a festival of songs, dancing music and laughs to the Capitol Theatre tonight and tomorrow in "Honolulu." Miss Powell appears as a cararet dancer while Young has the dual role of a screen star and Hawaiian planter.

The story starts at an opening where Young, as the screen star, is to make a personal appearance. An autograph-hunting crowd mobs a stranger in the lobby who resembles him so Young, eager for a vacation, arranges with the stranger, the planter, to trade places with him temporarily for their mutual amusement. Enroute to Hawaii, Young meets the ballet dancer aboard ship and falls in love with her. In Honolulu he finds that he is mistaken for his double and has also acquired his troubles, including a girl and a charge of embezzlement. The tangle is eventually straightened out with the planter's return to the island.

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