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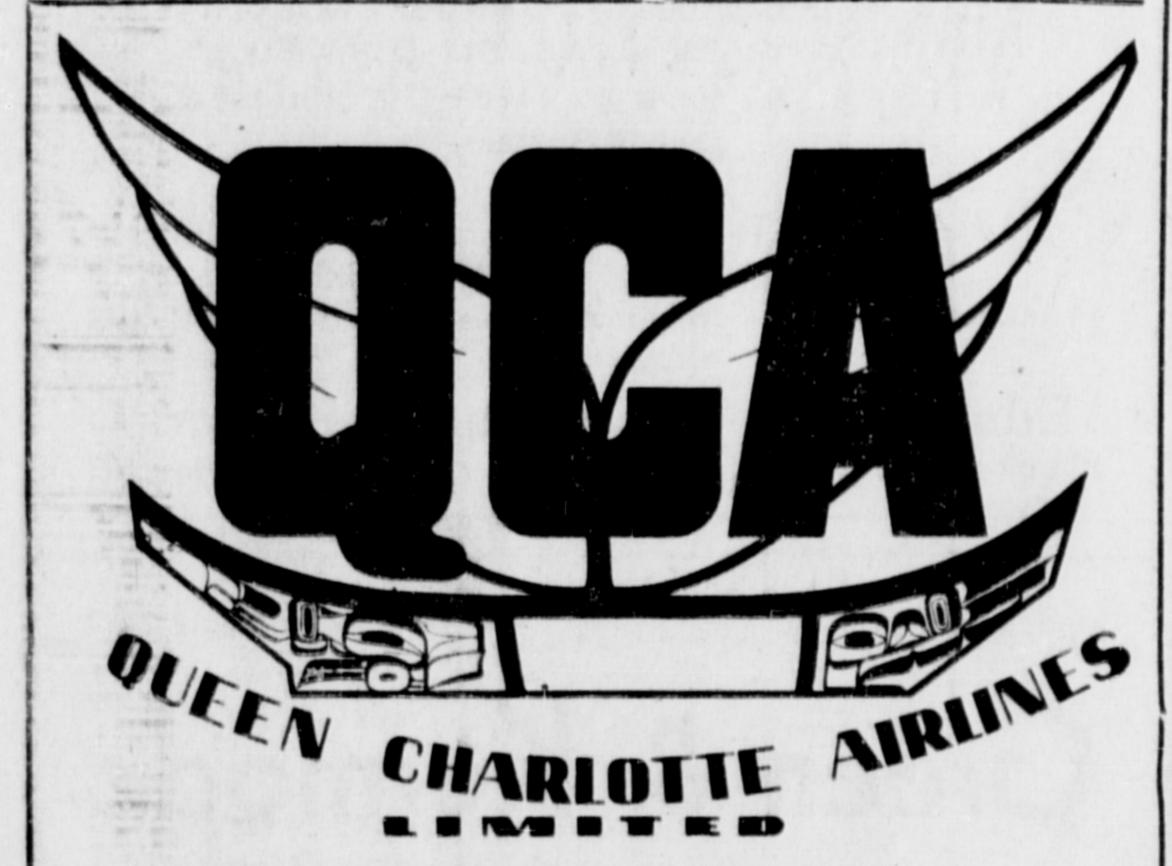
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Waterfront Whiffs

Closing of Halibut Season Announced for August 19—Widespread Salmon Investigations

Bringing down the curtain at an earlier date than ever on Pacific halibut fishing, closing of the season in Area No. 3, in which the larger vessels of the fleet have been operating since the brief season in the nearer Area No. 2 ended several weeks ago, is announced for August 19 by the International Fisheries Commission. Con-

tinuation of the same intensive ing the week-end. Many fish are heard on every side by crewfishing which drained Area No. workers themselves feel that, in men of the two vessels and all of its-season's quota was mark- spite of the overwhelming strike of them overheard by the watered as the fleet moved into Area vote last Saturday, a compro- front man have been good. It is No. 3 and, up to the end of June, mise would be more acceptable hoped that many of the delayed 19,750,000 pounds of the 28,000,- than a strike which would para- sport events can be successfully 000 pound quota had been taken. August 19 is also the closing date for the far northern Area No. 4 and Area No. 1A in the extreme south.

The Area Three season will have been of 111 days duration this year. Last year the season in that area terminated September 25, and the year before on November 30. Reason for the short season obviously is the intensive method of fishing now practised. Every year fishing methods get more efficient. Most reasonable method of extending the season over & tonger period, fishermen say, is a curtailment law, devised by the fishermen themselves, and enforced by the International Fisheries Commis-

Major J. W. Kilpatrick, after serving in the Canadian Army throughout the war, is now out of uniform and has returned to his civilian duties with the Fisheries Research Board of Canada as executive assistant at the Pacific Fisheries Experimental Station which was removed from Prince Rupert to Vancouver during the war. Major Kilpatrick was associated with the station for nine years while it was situated at Prince Rupert. E. Baker had been relieving Mr. Kilpatrick during the war.

Extensively organized research work in connection with the migration of salmon in Skeena River area which is being conducted under direction of Dr. A. L. Pritchard of the Nan-Fisheries Research Board Canada is described in a cur-Dr. Pritchard has parties out on many streams and lakes and to large extent making his summer headquarters at Prince Rupert from which, among other equipment, is based a specially fitted motor truck.

Compromise In Strike Dispute?

With the sands of time running out before the fishworkers' strike deadline, set for 5 p.m. Monday, observers on the waterfront feel that the week's negotiations between United Fishermen's and Allied Workers' Union and the nine fishing company operators will result in a compromise which will allow the plants to remain open without a shutdown. Announcement to this effect is expected sometime dur-

"I've heard all about that out-of-gas line you fellows use!" lyze the fresh and frozen fish in- carried out today and Sunday. dustry and perhaps lead to a When Uganda and Crescent, similar tie-up in other plants which arrived on Wednesday,

along the coast. Sympathy votes, leave Prince Rupert on Monday, which the union asked to have they will head for the west coast taken among workers at Bute- of Vancouver Island by easy the dale, Namu, Kildonan, Vancou- stages during which training ver and Victoria, have resulted manoeuvres will be carried out. in firm approval of the local Their first scheduled stop is union's action and, in case of a Winston Harbor on the West aimo Biological Station of the walkout here, could lead to simi- Coast of Vancouver Island, after lar situations at those places which they will enter Barclay which would halt fishing opera- Sound and the Alberni Canal. rently issued progress report. tions on the coast. Unofficial visiting the Alberni's. They will reports on the negotiations indicate that tentative agreement has been reached on the overtime claims of the union and that only a cent or two an hour separates the two groups on wage negotiations. Thus, barring complications, it seems reason-



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to assume that the disagree- then return to Esquimalt. Next ment will be settled without the month the Uganda is scheduled

While the strike negotiations created the greatest under-thesurface interest along the waterront, and indeed, throughout he city during the week, the outstanding waterfront event is the visit of the big Canadian cruiser Uganda and the accomanying destroyer Crescent. In unfavorable weather has caused cancellation of most of the outdoor sporting events planned by the Canadian Legion and sports organizations, the visit has undoubtedly been a success from the standpoint of goodwill. Comments reparding the hospitality of Prince Rupert

to make a cruise to putch Harbor in the Aleutians and during her return trip will visit Prince Rupert, sometime in September.

Prince Rupert's normally fine weather admittedly got a bit clouded up during the visit of the two vessels. However, the rainfall was slightly exaggerated by the Leading Stoker of the Uganda who commented to his mate from under his dripping hat: "We're not going ashore mate, we're just going into shallower water."

Halibut Landings

12,129,500 Pounds Halibut landings at Prince Rupert this season now total 12,-129,500 pounds, of which more than two-thirds was landed by Canadian vessels. Last week's landings were more than double those of the previous week, and totalled 599,000 pounds. Canadian landings last week totalled 438,000 pounds, while American boats brought in 161,000. Blackcod landings for the week were 80,000 pounds.

Sockeye fishing on the Skeena and Naas rivers, which showed improvement during the bright weather early in the week, fell off during the latter part, it is reported. Boat averages for the week are not yet available.

MASONS OFF TO TERRACE

Fourteen cars bearing between 60 and 70 members of Tsimpsean Masonic Lodge left the city this afternoon for Terrace on a visitation meeting tonight in which they will be joined by Masons from Smithers. The local party was headed by Gilbert Campbell, Worshipful Master of Tsimpsean Lodge.

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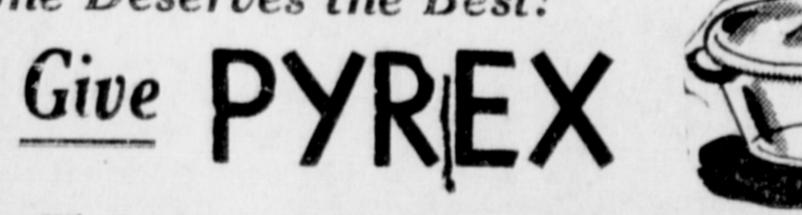
*8:30 p.m.—Boxing at Gym (Roosevelt Park): Canadian Legion Boxing Club vs. "UGANDA" and "CRESCENT" Boxers.

Sunday, July 28th-

10:30 a.m.—Church Parades. *2:30 p.m.—Baseball at Roosevelt Park. PRINCE RUPERT vs. "UGANDA." PRINCE RUPERT vs. "CRESCENT."

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