

Waterfront Whiffs

Damaged Log Raft Brought Back to Port—Herring Fishermen Leave for the South

Minus between six or seven sections of logs, the flat raft which left Prince Rupert for Ocean Falls last Monday was towed back here on New Year's night after a battle with sea and wind that threatened the whole 46-section raft.

The raft, containing about 1,500,000 board feet of logs, left harbor here just ahead of a storm which caught it in Chatham Sound. Efforts of four tugs, the Wireless, Capt. Bales, the Kaien I, Capt. Henry Hanson, the C.R.C., Capt. John Currie, and the Phippen, Capt. Max Sieverts, finally brought the bobbing booms of logs to shelter in the lee of Kinahan Island, where it was moored to shore on Wednesday.

New Year's Day was just another spell of hard work for the crews of the tugs as they towed the battered raft back to harbor here. They moored near the elevator, its original starting place, shortly after 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

The raft will remain there until the Island Princess, an Island Tug and Barge Co. tug, arrives with new boom sticks. The Island Princess is on her

way north now. It is feared that the original boom sticks may have been strained and the Pacific Mills Co. is taking no chances on losing more logs.

The raft will be re-formed and another effort will be made to get to its destination—the pulp mill at Ocean Falls.

The southeast gale, which reached a peak of 48 miles an hour in gusts, broke away the four front sections of logs as the four tugs struggled to get it to shelter. These drifted away to pile up on the beaches. Small logs from the other sections also escaped under the boom sticks and drifted away.

The struggle to save the remaining sections was an epic one in which the masters of the four tugs displayed superb seamanship buffeted by the wind,

and torn by the tide and currents, the raft drifted near Holland Rock before it was brought to shelter at Kinahan.

The long holiday which the coast herring fishermen have enjoyed will come to an end next Sunday when the boats put back to sea with their seines ready to dip herring. The boats have been in Vancouver and Victoria since before Christmas while their crews spent the festive season at home. Prince Rupert fishermen, who have left, or are leaving for the south to rejoin their boats are Pete Leland, Ole Stole, O. Johansen and Knute Rysstad, all of whom have been with their families for the last week or more.

HERRING PLANTS GOING INTO OPERATION

With the herring seining fleets moving north from Vancouver and elsewhere down the coast first thing next week now that the Christmas and New Year holiday season is over, herring processing plants of Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. at Port Edward and Canadian Fishing Co. at Butedale will be getting into action. The Port Edward plant will concentrate on reduction rather than canning of herring this winter. With no signs yet of a sizeable sun in this region, packers will, meantime, be bringing the fish north from fishing areas down the coast.

A substantial extension is now in process of being built to the main wharf of the Canadian Fishing Co. plant at Butedale. The extension is on the north

end of the present dock. The existing shed is to be taken down and a new one erected.

Ecclesiastical peregrinations for the week between Christmas and New Year for Rev. Skipper Peter Kelly with his United Church mission boat Thomas Crosby, out of Ocean Falls, consisted largely of the delivering of Christmas hampers to lighthouses and isolated dwellers of the coast northward from Ocean Falls through Bella Bella, Milbank Sound and as far as Butedale. The Thomas Crosby is back at her base at Ocean Falls this week-end following the voyage.

Her calls at waypoints having been shortened because of light cargoes following the holiday season, Union steamer Cardena, Capt. Ernest Sheppard, arrived in port in good time at 7:30 last evening from the south. The vessel got away at midnight on her return to Vancouver and waypoints after loading twenty tons of fish from the Canadian Fishing Co. plant.

FISH DOCK KEEPS LEAD

With Scotians Scores Clean Sweep Victory in Men's 'B' Bowling

Fish Dock and Scotians scored clean sweep three games to nil victories in resumed Men's "B" League Five pins last night with the former remaining in the league leadership and holding a two-game margin over the latter.

The scores were as follows:
Fish Dock 3, Thom's Sheet Metal 0.
Scotians 3, Canfisco 0.
Co-ops 2, Thorncliffs 1.
Mutts 2, Grotto 1.
Maple Leafs 2, Army Signals 1.

Stones-Moose, postponed.
High three game scorer was Jurmain of Maple Leafs with 724 while Stapleton of Signals had the high single game of 288. Fish Dock had the high single game score of 1060 and also the high three games of 2702.

Individual scoring was as follows:

FISH DOCK—			
J. Sharpe	215	155	172
C. Johnson	180	130	192
B. Wallace	195	155	163
N. Sheppard	193	209	155
J. Pope	277	127	155
Totals	1060	770	871
THOM SHEET METAL—			
E. Miller	183	91	146
E. Speers	164	125	113
G. De Hagd	167	177	192
Low Score	180	127	155
C. Dixon	123	96	178
Handicap	51	51	51
Totals	817	606	784
CANFISCO—			
H. Thoms	168	109	262
H. Paulson	181	135	152
Low Score	139	133	150
L. Mooney	154	109	160
L. Garner	196	201	117
Handicap	22	22	22
Totals	860	769	853
SCOTIANS—			
J. Laurie	151	134	183
M. McChesney	139	193	150
J. Wide	238	133	171
J. Davidson	190	181	201
J. Graham	173	201	153
Totals	891	842	838
MAPLE LEAFS—			
Hilton	137	103	191
Whittaker	161	186	129
Morrow	126	157	184
Jurmain	261	226	237
Dzispka	177	150	160
Totals	862	822	811
ARMY SIGNALS—			
M. Stapleton	158	288	125
D. Shiv	146	102	233
H. Wilson	109	133	125
T. Lushington	171	154	136
L. Hagg	107	172	183
Handicap	46	46	46
Totals	737	895	748
CO-OP—			
N. R. Powell	208	196	215
H. Ward	180	174	193
G. Viereck	157	119	167
D. Ward	112	168	142
J. Kurulok	224	204	178
Handicap	71	71	71
Totals	952	932	965
THORNCLIFFS—			
A. Matheson	202	262	98
A. Crawley	170	205	141
S. Davison	160	209	192
R. Simmons	238	162	162
E. Mussallem	151	197	187
Totals	921	1065	770
MUTTS—			
B. Tough	222	175	193
R. Houston	178	168	189
E. Lindseth	100	111	163
W. Landon	228	123	133
H. Lindseth	203	156	182
Totals	931	733	860
Handicap	115	115	115
Totals	1046	848	975
GROTTO—			
Shrubell	125	214	154
Leverett	181	138	171
Low Score	100	111	133
Tubb	207	259	196
Moxley	214	182	133
Totals	827	904	787

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