

Waterfront Whiffs

Doings of the Mosquito Fleet Which Is the Chief Source of Prince Rupert's Prosperity

No one is downhearted along the waterfront these days and the Admiral of the Mosquito fleet reports that his merry men are in an optimistic mood. While locally we have been experiencing unseasonably cold weather, the weather on the deep sea fishing grounds has been real hot, according to reports. One skipper stated that the rays of the sun had melted the tar on the roof of his pilot house. This goes to show that the fishermen do sometimes get compensations in their otherwise dangerous calling.

During the week, seventeen carloads of the best halibut in the world have been shipped over the Canadian National lines comprising some 322,000 pounds, while only 3,000 pounds of salmon has been marketed.

The small supply of salmon is accounted for by the fact that in local waters the temperature has been on the cold side thus having a detrimental effect upon the run.

The highest price paid for fish during the week was 9.80c and 4c, and the lowest 6c and 3c.

The Pioneer floating cannery at Ketchikan is now running full blast. This cannery was acquired some time ago by the Stuart Packing Company. A new exhaust box has been installed and the equipment has been thoroughly overhauled.

The Prince Rupert Yacht Club was agog with excitement on Thursday morning. Soon after 9 o'clock a gang of happy youngsters put in an appearance "armed to the teeth" with parcels of sandwiches, cakes, etc., the occasion being the High School picnic. Several launches pulled out before 10 o'clock filled to the skylights by Digby Island. Principal J. C. Brady was in charge aboard the Orlando, and appeared to be having the time of his life.

The Macdonald Shellfish Co. of Seal Cove has suspended business permanently, and are disposing of their plant.

The Joe Baker, Captain Lund, is undergoing hull repairs on the Ketchikan gridiron.

The Tug Tepic arrived from Vancouver on Tuesday with 100 tons of coal in tow for Albert & McCaffery.

R. Davis, secretary for Albert & McCaffery, who has been in the south on a combined pleasure and business trip, will return to the city on Wednesday next.

Two small boys were venturing on their way to a trout stream.

"You know Joe Ellis's neck?" asked the first. "Yes," said the

second. "Well," said the first, "he fell into the bay up to it."

The Provincial, Captain Larsen left on Thursday for the Beaver cannery at Rivers Inlet where she will engage in the fish packing business for some two months.

The Provincial police boat Myfahwy is on the Seal Cove Marine ways undergoing a general overhaul prior to leaving permanently for Vancouver. It is expected the overhaul will be completed within seven days.

Captain A. Swanson left on Thursday afternoon for the Skeena River on a private business trip.

Bob Hanna and the crew of the Seattle power boat Sueja were the guests of honor on Wednesday night at a smoking concert given by the civil lords of the Mosquito fleet admiralty.

The musical program was opened by C. Thayer and his dog who gave a remarkably fine duet entitled "Tales of a Whining Weiner" which was heartily applauded. The engineer of the Sueja proved himself an expert domino tictler and introduced some new melodies to his local audience. Bob was scheduled to sing "O Darling I Am Getting Cold" but unfortunately the aforementioned dog chewed up the music and as a substitute he gave a political talk with his feet, his step dancing being very much appreciated. Refreshments were served continuously in fact Bob said it was the nearest approach to perpetual motion that he had struck yet. Bob Ogilvie stated that if he could sing as well as he thought he could he would have much pleasure in officiating, but unfortunately the cat was mothering kittens in his piano at home and he was not used to strange accompaniments. The evening's brilliant entertainment broke down with the singing of "Bolshevik Bill." In an official statement to the celebrities of the fleet "Keyhole" Hanna said that he was resigning from the command of the Lorne and would explore the salmon fishing grounds with his own fleet in the near future. The Lorne is consequently flying her flag at half mast. No one was seriously hurt at the breaking up of the jolly evening.

The new and enlarged boat-house recently built by Captain A. Swanson was put into position at the Swanson wharf last Friday, and has certainly added some tone to the appearance of the waterfront. With this new boating edifice the Prince Rupert Boat House will be in a position to give even better service to its patrons than it has been able to do in the past. With a

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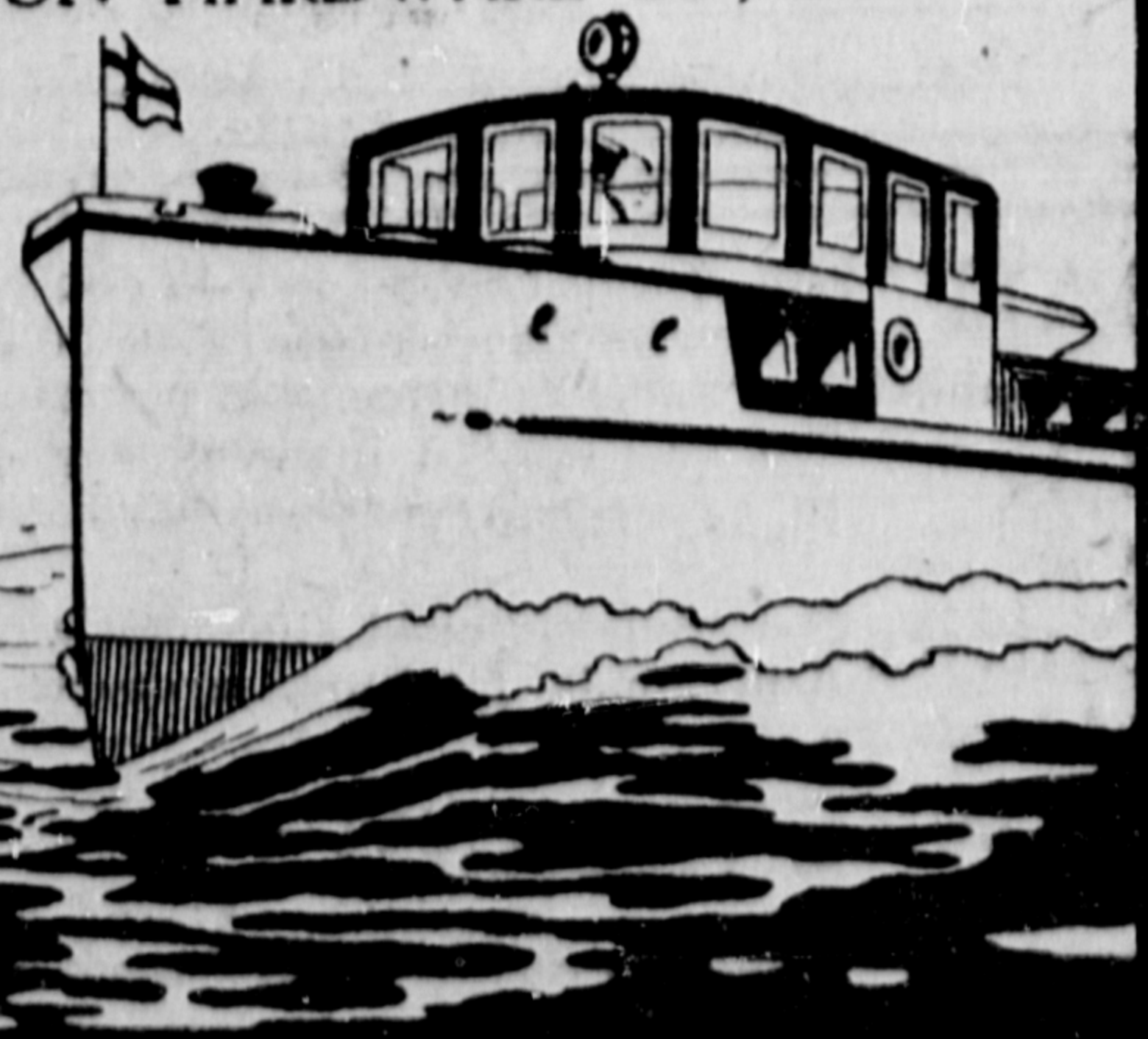
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The old boat house has been purchased by A. Anderson, a well known local fisherman, and is now berthed in the vicinity of the new Shockley lumber wharf. Its future mission is no yet been definitely decided upon. It would make an ideal fishermen's clubhouse and may be put to that use.

The lighthouse tender Newington, which passed through her government steamboat test during the week, proceeded to the Dry Dock on Thursday morning for a minor overhaul to her machinery.

A seaplane for the patrolling of the salmon streams to prevent illegal fishing, is being installed at Ketchikan by the Commercial Club of that city.

The halibut boat Selma is undergoing minor repairs in Cow Bay.

The logging boat Texas arrived in port on Tuesday from the Portland Canal district after

completing a logging contract for the Georgetown Sawmill Company.

The secret service of the Mosquito fleet are lying awake nights wondering what has become of their wandering boy in the person of Jimmy Thomas. Jimmy went on a salmon trolling stunt some two weeks ago and has not been heard of since. It was known that the skipper had taken rather a heavy cargo of political literature with him and it is feared he may have supplemented his library enroute with disastrous results. However if he does not put in an appearance in the near future Captain Frenchy and his good boat Snipe will be despatched to look the waters over.

The tug boat McCulloch arrived at Georgetown on Monday with a boom of logs consisting of 150,000 feet, collected from the Hatti Island, Bell Cove and Portland Canal districts. The tug left Georgetown on Tuesday morning for Alice Arm

to bring in a boom of logs, belonging to A. J. Wheatley, for the Georgetown mill consisting of 350,000 feet.

The gasboat Hanaco arrived in port on Thursday morning from Georgetown with a scow load of boxes for the Pacific and Allyn Fisheries.

The Queen Charlotte Island missionary boat, built by N. M. McLean, was launched from the yards on Friday last. The arrival of her engine is awaited from Vancouver.

A fine new float has been built at the Prince Rupert Yacht Club by N. M. McLean measuring 28 feet by 50 feet, which will be capable of carrying a house 25 ft by 45 ft, one story high. This house, when built, will be used as quarters for the caretaker and will also be used as an auxiliary clubhouse.

Flossie Flirt has written a male admirer of the fleet that a landing was made at Pacific without mishap on Friday night. The lady states that she missed the electric lights along the streets and accidentally trod into a pool of mushy mud which dyed her white shoes and stockings without cost. It was her intention to sue the municipality

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but after spending some time in trying to hunt it up without success she abandoned the attempt. In part the letter reads: "I got mixed up with that dining car stuff on the trip to some tune. Some guy came along the train dressed all up in summer togs and yelled 'first call for dinner.' Of course as usual I feeling as hollow as a drum I followed the dressed up one into the brilliant layout. I sure had a good fill, in fact it reminded me of the swell eats we had at the Mug Up before jumping the train. My happiness was soon knocked on the bean when a man dressed like our Admiral came up with a bill for two bucks. I told him I understood the eats went with the ticket but he assured me very politely but firmly that a person not paying for meals went out on the track.

Not wishing to get in a mix up I up and pays him, much to my sorrow as I was saving up to buy a meal ticket on my return to old Rupert. I got even in a way with the guy that collected that two bones because I swiped all the toothpicks off the table. I would have got a silver spoon but it was too big for my stocking and tore a hole in it big enough to drive through as it was.

I haven't touched anyone on the oil dode yet but I've got a few section men interested and think I'll do alright in the end."

The trawler Carruthers, owned by the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. skippered by Captain Billy Parsons, arrived in port early in the week with a catch of 85,000 pounds of halibut. An (Continued on page 6)

