

ALASKA FISHERIES REPORT'S SUBJECT

Statement Gives Interesting Data on Industry in the Far North.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., May 8.—It is the month of May, 1911, and at this late date the government's report on the fisheries of Alaska is issued for the twelfth month ending June 30, 1910, or nearly a whole year after the fiscal year referred to, ended.

However, as an interesting reminiscence of events affecting the Alaskan fisheries, it might be of passing value to west coast men engaged in that industry.

Data Long Held Back.

In the dusty old data entombed for so long in the archives of the bureau of fisheries—it being the confirmed habit of government bureaus to bring out trade data long after private agencies have supplied such data to those who need them—are found these facts:

Quantity of Products.

"The total quantity of products was 214,535,483 pounds, valued at \$13,259,859, an increase of 12,553,195 pounds and \$2,072,471 over 1909. Except for salmon bellies and backs, fertilizer, oil, furs and hides, the weights are round weights, or the weights of products when first taken from the water; for weights of prepared products the reader is referred to the subsidiary tables of the report. As the packing establishments almost invariably catch their own fish, it has been found practically impossible to show the value of the products as they leave the fishermen's hands, hence the values shown are for the prepared products.

The total investment in the fisheries is \$20,711,422, an increase of \$10,823,740, as compared with 1909. A considerable proportion of this increase is due to the showing of cash capital on hand, this item having been eliminated for the first time in 1909. Nearly all forms of apparatus show increases as compared with 1909."

SAWDUST CHOKES CREEK, FISH DIE

Proprietor of Huber's Mill at Wallowa Is Fined \$50; To Screen Ditches.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., May 8.—Game Warden Joe Clemens of Union and Wallowa counties, on complaint of citizens, inspected Bear creek and found large quantities of sawdust in the stream, coming from Huber's mill, situated just above the intake for the city water supply. Bear creek is one of the best fishing streams in this county and the warden, speaking of the fish and game laws, said more rigid enforcement than ever would be his policy this year. Mr. Huber appeared before Justice of the Peace Morelock quickly and was fined \$50. All irrigation ditches are being screened for the protection of fish. The sportsmen will plant many thousand trout fry in various streams this year.

Wallowa's First 3-Story Brick.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., May 8.—Wallowa, a payroll city, is having a building boom. McCrea is building a three story brick addition to the Hotel McCrea, the first three story structure ever built in the city. E. A. Schiffer of Pendleton is building a one story out stone building adjoining the Stockgrowers Farmers National bank, which is also putting on an addition and changing the front of its stone structure. Several residence buildings are under construction and many more will be started at once. All the sawmills of the county are stocking up and will run on full time.

Rough 27-Mile Survey Done.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., May 8.—S. A. Brown and crew, who have been surveying the north boundary of the Wallowa national forest, have returned. They surveyed 27 miles through extremely rough territory. They were out just a month. Mr. Brown says the range is in good shape, but was getting dry before the rains of last week.

Logging Road to Be Extended.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., May 8.—The Nibley-Mitnaugh Lumber company has received a carload of steel to extend its logging road a half mile farther into the timber. The mill has been running steadily since it started.

Northern Wallowa Crop Report.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., May 8.—Reports have reached Wallowa from Flora, Grouse, Chico, Promise, Paradise, Powatki and Troy that crops were unusually good and that stock is in good spring condition.

BIG SYNDICATE GOES INTO ALASKA

Sends 11 Mining Engineers and 50 Assistants to Claims Held by Option.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., May 8.—The Pearson-Laberee syndicate, composed of English and American capitalists and known in New York, London and Montreal banking circles, has completed extensive plans to exploit new gold fields in the interior of Alaska. Already 11 mining engineers and 50 assistants with supplies to last a year have made for the interior via Seward. O. G. Laberee, president of the Alaska Northern railway, one of the promoters, admitted today that sufficient capital has been obtained thoroughly to exploit the territory tapped by his road. Options totaling \$1,500,000 have been taken on properties believed to contain a great fortune in gold and other minerals.

Dr. F. S. Pearson, the famous engineer of London, heads the syndicate. He is well known as the organizer and builder of the Mexico and Northwestern railway, also as having constructed the famous power plant at Necaxa, Mexico, and also as a railroad builder in Brazil. C. H. Kearney and L. M. Cockerell, experienced mining engineers, have charge of the syndicate's Alaska exploration parties.

Mr. Laberee states that on account of the Alaska coal situation, little development work can be done, but the exploring parties will thoroughly survey and report on the new gold and copper fields.

PACIFIC HIGHWAY FOR AUTOS BEING MARKED

The marking of the Pacific highway, that was recently authorized by the Automobile club of Seattle, has been already completed from Tacoma to the International boundary line, by the Seattle Motor club officials. A schedule has been arranged from Tacoma to Vancouver, Wash., on the Columbia river, covering the greater part of the coming week, during which time it is expected that the Seattle "good roads" enthusiasts will be greeted by local representatives in the various towns through which the Pacific highway passes, between Tacoma and the Oregon boundary.

While it is anticipated that road conditions from Chehalis to the Columbia river will not be as favorable now as they will later on, still there is but little doubt but that both the truck and pleasure car that the party will travel with will have no difficulty in getting through. Carroll's Point, the worst part of the route, is already open for automobile travel this year and is nearing completion. This eliminates the worst part of the Pacific highway in the state of Washington.

SURVEY IS BEGUN ON POWDER RIVER

Rights of All Users Will Be Mapped on Main Stream and Tributaries.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) North Powder, Or., May 8.—The proposed survey of Powder river and some of its tributary streams, such as North Powder river, Powder creek, Eagle creek, Rock creek and one or two others, is beginning, under direction of State Engineer John H. Lewis, working under the Oregon water code of 1909. While the code has been in operation two years, there has been so much work ahead in surveying various eastern Oregon streams that the state engineer is only now getting around to the Powder river users.

Every water right claimed out of Powder river and tributaries from Robinette on Snake river to Bourne, will go for a little over \$21,000. At the time the lot was sold to Mr. Lee it was supposed to have a frontage of 73 1/2 feet and a depth of 100 feet, but upon a re-survey of the entire block it was found that the Quackenbush lot had a frontage of but 70 1/2 feet and was short in depth about two feet. However, both Mr. Lee and the Finleys were so well satisfied with the price that the transaction was completed on the original terms.

Finleys Buy Site for Undertaking Parlor

J. P. Finley & Sons took title last Saturday to the Quackenbush homestead located on the west side of Thirteenth street between Main and Madison, as a site for an undertaking establishment. The property was sold to the Finleys by M. E. Lee for a consideration of \$25,000. Mr. Lee bought the holding from E. Quackenbush less than 60 days ago for a little over \$21,000. At the time the lot was sold to Mr. Lee it was supposed to have a frontage of 73 1/2 feet and a depth of 100 feet, but upon a re-survey of the entire block it was found that the Quackenbush lot had a frontage of but 70 1/2 feet and was short in depth about two feet. However, both Mr. Lee and the Finleys were so well satisfied with the price that the transaction was completed on the original terms.

Hermiston Butte Best Reservoir.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Hermiston, Or., May 8.—John T. Whistler, engineer, was here last week for several days in consultation with the city council in regard to the water system, and told members of the council that Hermiston Butte would be best for storage supply of water. As soon as Whistler's report is received the city council will take action.

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(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, May 8.—Women school teachers of this city are raging with indignation over the affront to modesty which 100 teachers suffered Saturday at the city hall.

WALLOWA FINE STOCK WILL BE ON EXHIBIT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Joseph, Or., May 8.—To advance the interests of stock raising in Wallowa county, a stock show will be held in Joseph, Or., next Saturday, opening with a parade at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The Joseph concert band will play and late in the afternoon there will be races. All kinds of stock can be exhibited. This committee from over the county generally has been selected to handle arrangements: Lestina, Samuel Wade; Imahna, John Johnson; Entorprise, Bruce Boyd; Robert Day; Joseph, M. Thompson; Wesley Duncan; Wallowa, Henry McElroy; Prairie Creek, John M. Fruitta.

NORTH BANK I. O. O. F. VISIT CASCADA LOCKS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Cascade Locks, Or., May 8.—Cascade Locks I. O. O. F. lodge gave a social and banquet Saturday night and had the visiting lodges from Stevenson, Carson and White Salmon and some from most of the nearer lodges on the Columbia river. The attendance was 125. A big chinook salmon was the principal dish.

ORIGINAL HOME IN BOISE TO BECOME A MONUMENT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Boise, Idaho, May 8.—The first house to be built in the original Boise townsite, more than 45 years ago, is to be secured by the D. A. R. of Boise and preserved as a lasting historical monument of pioneer days in Idaho. This building is the old log house on the O'Farrell estate near and used as a permanent place of meeting. The building is constructed of large logs, secured from the mountains nearby, the roof shingled with "shakes" made by hand. Everything about the building was made by hand and only hand work will be used in restoring it.

It was in this building that the first Catholic services in the city were held. It has witnessed many a prominent business conference also, as well as social gatherings galore.

MRS. ALETTA PENNOYER DIES AT AGE OF 81

Mrs. Aletta Pennoyer, 81 years old, died at her home on East Fifth street last night. The funeral will be held from Finley's funeral chapel at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, the Rev. M. A. Dart, pastor of the Mount Taber Seventh Day Adventist church, officiating. Interment will be made in the Lone Elm cemetery.

AEROPLANE JUNKET STARTS NEXT WEEK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Paris, May 8.—June 15 is the date set for the start of the first international circuit of aeroplanes. The first step is from Paris to Liege, Belgium; second to Brussels; third to London; fourth to Calais, and thence to Paris. The various prizes already amount to \$85,000 and before the aeroplanes get away the total probably will be more than \$100,000. The Paris-Berlin lap has been definitely abandoned because of the bitter anti-German feeling existing in France.

Hatters in Convention. New York, May 8.—The United Hatters of North America opened today their international convention here.

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