

NIPPONESE DENY FISHING VESSELS BUSY IN ALASKA

Only One Ship Taking Crabs Insists Bureau of Fisheries—Claim Agreement Is Being Rigidly Kept

TOKYO, May 25.—(AP)—A government spokesman today denied any Japanese fishing vessels in Bristol bay off Alaska where American fishermen reported a Japanese invasion of the Bering sea codfish banks.

"There is only one ship in the Bering sea taking crabs and that is all," declared the spokesman, a member of the Japanese bureau of fisheries.

He insisted Japanese fishermen, followers of one of Japan's greatest industries in fast-moving international waters, rigidly were respecting the recent agreement reached with the United States to stay away from Alaska.

(A Seattle fishing schooner, Charles R. Wilson, wirelessly Tuesday for rifles and ammunition, charging "the Bering sea is alive with Japanese fishing boats and nets north of Black Hills.")

(The charge added new fuel to American-Japanese feeling over Japan's reported incursions into Alaskan waters, particularly those of Bristol bay north of the Aleutian peninsula.)

Japan's agreement with the United States was known to have provided two stipulations, one, that Japan would suspend her three-year salmon fishing survey, in progress since 1936, and, two, Japan would continue to withhold license necessary for Japanese boats to fish for salmon.

Other more stringent assurances were reported recently to have been given the United States.

Such an agreement knocked a big hole in the chain of Japanese fishermen have been forging around the world in building up an industry which occupies a place as large in Japan's economic life as the automobile industry in the American economic pattern.

It is a major source of food for a nation of fish-eaters. It is the keystone of Japanese exports as the basis for allied industries in manufacture of pearls, buttons, fertilizers, oils, langleas and sharkskin goods.

Consequently, Japanese fishing fleets long ago burst the bounds of Japanese waters and spilled over the entire Pacific ocean.

Their whalers go to the Arctic and Antarctic, and their shell-fishers penetrate deep into the South Pacific. Japanese fishermen approach the shores of Mexico and Argentina. They can be seen near Davao in the Philippines, and off the coast of Thursday Island, near Australia.

150,000 CHILDREN GIVEN COMMUNION

BUDAPEST, May 26.—(AP)—Jean Cardinal Verdier, 74-year old archbishop of Paris, today celebrated high mass for 150,000 children before a lofty altar in Heroes' square to open the second day of the 34th Eucharistic congress.

The throngs of children who came to receive communion had spent months gathering kernels of wheat—one for each good deed.

Peace was the theme of the service. "No peace will reign on earth until the eternal laws of Christ become public property of all Christians," Cardinal Verdier said in his sermon.

The children occupied more than 40 miles of benches and it took 300 priests two hours to hand a Eucharist wafer to each one.

Afterward the children were breakfast guests of the municipality.

Church Dedicates Painting



At a special service last Sunday morning before a capacity congregation, the above oil painting of Christ was dedicated to the Zion Lutheran church, the Rev. Werner Jessen conducting.

The picture, which was installed above the altar, was a gift to the church from Dr. LeRoy C. Jensen as a memorial to his father, Hans M. Jensen, who died a year and a half ago.

COLONEL PHILLIPSON DUE FOR PROMOTION

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—General Malin Craig, army chief of staff, said today Colonel Irvin J. Phillipson, commander of the 30th Infantry at San Francisco, would become a brigadier general July 1 and assume command of either the 5th brigade at Vancouver, Wash., or the 6th brigade at Fort Douglas, Utah. Brigadier General George C. Marshall will give up his command at Vancouver early in June and come to Washington for a new assignment. Brigadier General Walter Swenney, now in command at Fort Douglas, will go to Fort Lewis, Wash., as a major general June 1, succeeding Brigadier General Alfred T. Smith, who will retire May 31.

ADMIRAL MAGRUDER DIES OF HEART ILL

JAMESTOWN, R. I., May 26.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Thomas Pickett Magruder, 70, U.S.N., retired, died today at his summer home from a heart attack. A native of Vickburg, Miss., the son of General Lawson W. Magruder of the confederate army, he had retired seven years ago. He was graduated from the naval academy in 1889. He became an ensign in 1891 and rose steadily until he was made rear admiral in 1920. He was made a permanent rear admiral in 1921. Admiral Magruder served in the Spanish-American war and was advanced five numbers for gallantry at Cuba in 1898.

LAUNDRY OWNERS OPEN CONVENTION HERE TOMORROW

(Continued from page One.) dry business have been obtained for speeches on technical phases of the industry, including Fred S. Wilson of San Jose, Cal., vice-president of the Laundryowners' National association, Joseph Swartz of Syracuse, N. Y., president of the Prosperity company; Daniel Hay of Salem, secretary of the Associated Employers of Oregon; William Pinfold of Victoria, B. C., L. N. A. director, and others.

At the opening session tomorrow at 10 o'clock, which will be called to order by President Fabrick, the Rev. E. S. Bartlam of Medford St. Mark's Episcopal church will give the invocation. Frank P. Farrell, city attorney, will make the address of welcome. Mrs. Glen Fabrick, Sr., will give the ladies' entertainment committee report. At 11 o'clock, President Fabrick will give the president's report and appoint committees.

Following is the complete program for Friday, including the ladies' entertainment program: 9:00—Registration and Payment of Dues. 10:00—Convention called to order by President Glen L. Fabrick of Medford, Oregon. Singing of America.

Invocation by Rev. E. S. Bartlam, St. Marks Episcopal Church, Medford. Address of Welcome by Frank P. Farrell. Response to Welcome by Jack Snelson, Pendleton, Oregon. Introduction of Guest Laundrymen and Tradesmen. Ladies' Entertainment Committee Report by Mrs. Glen Fabrick, Sr. Memorial Services by E. L. Wieder, Salem, Oregon. 11:00—President's Report by Glen L. Fabrick. Appointment of Committees. 12:00—Luncheon at Valentine's conducted by Bob Wright, Medford, Oregon.

1:30—"How the Institute Can Help Solve the Problems of 1938," by Fred S. Wilson, Vice-President L. N. A., San Jose, California. 2:30—"Merchandising Laundry Services," by Joseph Swartz, Prosperity Co., Syracuse, New York.

3:30—"Labor Relations and Proper Legislation," by Daniel Hay, Secretary Associated Employers of Oregon, Salem, Oregon. 7:00—Dinner and Dance at Hotel Medford. Ladies' Entertainment Program 10:00—Regular Session of Convention. 12:30—Luncheon, Hotel Medford. 2:00—Theater or Golf, Craterian Theater. 7:00—Dinner and Dance, Hotel Medford.

Big Crops Prospect For U. S. Territory NEW YORK, May 26.—(AP)—All crops in the territory served by the Union Pacific railroad are of near-record proportions. W. M. Jeffers, president, and William Averill Har-

perity Co., Syracuse, New York. 3:30—"Labor Relations and Proper Legislation," by Daniel Hay, Secretary Associated Employers of Oregon, Salem, Oregon. 7:00—Dinner and Dance at Hotel Medford. Ladies' Entertainment Program 10:00—Regular Session of Convention. 12:30—Luncheon, Hotel Medford. 2:00—Theater or Golf, Craterian Theater. 7:00—Dinner and Dance, Hotel Medford. Skagit Crew Wins HARRISON HOT SPRINGS, B. C., May 26.—(AP)—The Skagit, Wash., 11-paddle crew today claimed a world's Indian war canoe record at three miles. The Skagit Braves traveled the distance in 17 minutes 23 seconds in the feature race of the Indian Sasquatch days festival. The old record was 19 minutes, 21 seconds. Count Borolaski, a 39-inch Polish dwarf, was a friend of George III and one of the most accomplished men in London society.

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