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FOUR PATROL CRAFT URGED FOR STATE FISHERIES

(Special to the Times.)

State House, Boston, February 17. —Proper protection of natural resources and the development of the state's first industry—fishing—was urged by Director William C. Adams of the state division of fisheries, appearing before the joint ways and means committee of the Legislature.

Supervisor Bowes, in urging that provision be made in the state budget for purchase of four boats for patrol work and the appointment of an additional fish inspector, told the committee, Massachusetts' basic industry is in need of encouragement, the furnishing of proper protection, he believed, would greatly assist the industry.

It is desired, he continued, to purchase four fishing boats to be used for coastal patrol work. He urged the committee to consider the requests as a business rather than a sporting proposition.

Representative Ernest A. Dean of Chilmark favored the appointment of an additional fish inspector but opposed a suggested appropriation of \$1500 for a lobster hatchery. The Chilmark legislator also held that two coastal patrol boats would be sufficient.

Director Adams supported Representative Dean's assertion as to the necessity for an additional fish inspector but took issue with his other references. He maintained it was a joke to think that two patrol boats could cover the entire coast line and informed the committee that all items were considered carefully before the suggested appropriations were attached.

PAY \$160,000 IN BOUNTIES TO N. S. FISHERMEN

One hundred and sixty thousand dollars in bounties will be paid fishermen and vessel owners of Canadian Atlantic coast provinces in March as an indirect aftermath of a treaty with the United States. This sum represents interest on \$4,500,000 paid to Canada by the Halifax arbitration award of November 23, 1877. The Washington treaty, in effect between 1875 and 1885, gave United States fishermen the use of Canadian in-shore fisheries.

For the development of sea fisheries and encouragement of boat building, provision was made by act of parliament for the distribution of \$150,000 annually in bounties. The first was paid in 1882. An act of 1891 increased the amount to \$160,000 and provided that the details of expenditure be settled each year by order in council. The distribution in 1930 was: Nova Scotia, \$83,458.85; New Brunswick, \$20,310.90; Prince Edward Island, \$10,744.90; Quebec, \$45,234.70; total, \$159,749.35.

From 1882 to 1930 a total of \$7,590,064.76 was paid to fishermen and vessel owners of these provinces, of which Nova Scotians received \$4,589,636.27. Nova Scotia's highest share was in 1894 when she received \$11,460.03. Her lowest was \$79,077.60 in 1929. In 1882, the first year, she received \$106,098.72.

Applications for the bounty must be made on or preceding December 31 and are payable in March of each year. A fisherman's share ranges between seven and eight dollars. Vessel owners are paid on a basis of \$1 per registered ton. Small boats with 12-foot keels or more figure on a basis of \$1 each to their owners. All fishermen or vessels must be actively engaged in fishing to become entitled to the bounty.

ARRIVALS FEW THIS MORNING

SCH. CORINTHIAN HOME WITH 15,000 POUND TRIP OF FISH.

Arrivals of fresh fish were few this morning, two small shore boats and an off-shore dragger being the only craft to report. The dragger Corinthian arrived with a 15,000 pound trip during the forenoon, and took out at the Cape Ann Cold Storage Company. Two other small boats, each with a couple of thousand pounds, were the only other arrivals. A dozen of the gill net fleet lifted yesterday, the total hauls being a little over 23,000 pounds.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
- Sch. Corinthian, dragging, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Rosie C., trawling, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat 703 E., trawling, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Ruth Lucille, via Boston.
- Sch. Herbert Parker, via Boston.
- Sch. Mildred Silva, via Boston.

Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

- Boat Joanna, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Edna, Fae, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Virginia and Joan, 3600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Ramona, 2100 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

- Sch. Laura Goulart, haddocking.
- Sch. Ethel B. Penny, shore.

Portland Fishing Notes.

Fish receipts were exceptionally light at Portland yesterday, the Alice M. Doughty I with 5,000 pounds of groundfish and the netter Pofisco and several small boats being the only arrivals for the day.

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FIRST HALIBUT FARE AT BOSTON

CAPT. CARL OLSON ARRIVED THIS MORNING WITH 50,000 POUNDS.

A fleet of 20 craft was on hand at the Boston Fish Pier this morning and the pre-Lenten supply was well over 800,000 pounds. The first halibut fare of the season was brought in by schooner Oretha F. Spinney, Capt. Carl Olson, who hailed for the dandy fare of 50,000 pounds.

Groundfish prices were firm and high. Haddock sold at \$4 to \$5; large cod, \$7 to \$9, and markets, \$4 to \$4.50. The halibut had not sold when the Boston report was received.

Overland receipts yesterday were large and included 280 boxes of mackerel from Wiscasset, Me., 2886 gallons of Norfolk oysters, 90 boxes of frozen salmon and halibut, and the shipment of 121 swordfish from Seattle, Wash., in addition to 100 barrels of flounders and 200 boxes of haddock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
- Str. Fabia, 75,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 11,000 mixed fish.
- Str. Cormorant, 65,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 7000 mixed fish.
- Str. Foam, 58,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 15,000 mixed fish.
- Boat Marietta B., 85,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 12,000 mixed fish.
- Boat Vandal, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod, 9000 sole.
- Sch. Carrie S. Roderick, 27,000 haddock, 24,000 cod.
- Boat Francis C. Denehey, 43,000 haddock, 5000 mixed fish.
- Boat Waltham II., 19,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1500 mixed fish.
- Sch. Leonora C., 8000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 1000 mixed fish.
- Sch. William L. Putnam, 41,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4500 mixed fish.
- Sch. Babe Sears, 40,000 haddock, 10,500 cod, 5300 mixed fish.
- Boat Edith and Eleanor, 85,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
- Sch. Oretha F. Spinney, 50,000 halibut.
- Sch. Henrietta, 22,000 haddock, 2500 cod.
- Boat Charles Fauci, 800 haddock, 300 cod, 2200 mixed fish.
- Boat Mao II., 2900 mixed fish.
- Boat Josie II., 1700 mixed fish.
- Boat Ethel, 4300 mixed fish.
- Boat Lawrence Scola, 3500 mixed fish.
- Boat Grace A., 2900 cod.

Haddock, \$4 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$7 to \$9; market cod, \$4 to \$4.50; hake, \$5 to \$6; pollock, \$5; cusk, \$3; gray sole, 5 cents to 7 cents; per lb.; lemon sole, 10 cents; black backs, 6 cents to 8 cents; yellow tails, 2 1-2 cents; dabs, 1-2 cent to 1 cent; spawn, 8 cents; tongues and cheeks, 10 cents; catfish, 1 cent.

Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of salt mackerel at Boston from June 1 to date, have been 5905 barrels. In 1930, imports were 2890 barrels; 1929, 3850 barrels; 1928, 14,236 barrels; 1927, 6089 barrels.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS