

FISHERIES BUREAU IS PREPARING FOR COMING SEASON

BUREAU OF FISHERIES BUSY WITH PRELIMINARIES—WINN AT JUNEAU

Preparations for itineraries and detailed activities for its employment during the coming season is actively engaging the U. S. bureau at the present time, Dennis Winn, Alaska agent said at Juneau to the Empire last week. Some additions to the fleet of the bureau in Alaskan waters, changes in personnel and other details of the several boats that operate in the northern waters were made known.

One new boat named the "Coot" will be added to the bureau's patrol fleet this year, and stationed in the Yukon district to replace the Tern which is worn out in service. The Coot, a 50-foot boat has been especially built for the Yukon river and is powered with a 100-h. p. engine which, will be sufficient power for reasonable speed against the difficult waters of the Yukon.

The Scoter, a 65-foot purse seine type boat used on patrol in Bristol Bay, is being remodelled by the bureau and is expected to be one of the most servicable crafts of its size in the service for patrol work. This boat is expected to make the trip with several bureau employees to and from Bristol Bay each year.

Nels Rogne, of Juneau, will be master of the Scoter and Clarence Wittanen, also of Juneau, will have the position of engineer. Ben Burford, another Juneau young man, has accepted a position as engineer on the Crane, one of the bureau's largest boats, and will be detailed to the westward. Rogne, Wittanen and Burford will go south on the flagship Brant to assume their new duties immediately.

The bureau's patrol service now consists of 14 vessels and they will be stationed for the season, subject to change, as follows:

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and Petrel will be located in southeastern Alaska, Kittiwake in Prince William Sound, Teal in Cook Inlet, Blue Wing and Red Wing in the Kodiak-Afognak district, this at Chignik, Crane and Merganser around the Alaska peninsula, Scoter in Bristol Bay and the Coot in the Yukon district.

The Brant will be detailed on the sea patrol in the immediate future at Neah Bay, Wash., and will continue there until such time as the seals go north. It will then proceed to southeastern Alaska.

The Auklet and possibly the Widgeon will be on seal patrol at Sitka during their period of migration

BIDS OUT FOR NEW BOAT
Bids are out for a new 125-foot boat to replace the Eider for the Prifilof island work, to be named the Penguin. The bureau expects to have it in commission next year. The Eider will then be remodeled and used in fisheries patrol work in the vicinity of Kodiak and Afognak islands.

Patrol work in general will be there will, however, be a much along the lines of former years. There will, however, be a much greater scientific force in the field than formerly in the study of the life history of salmon, herring, and other commercial fishes, covering the various districts of Alaska.

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SCHOOLS CLOSE 1/2-DAY

In respect to Mrs. Gerald Protzman, young and popular Seward girl who died Sunday morning, the local schools will be closed tomorrow afternoon. Many students and pupils, as well as members of the faculty, expressed their desire of attending the funeral service which will take place at 2 o'clock in the lower hall, Odd Fellows building.

DOUGLAS ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. August Aalto announces the engagement of their daughter Lillian Pauline, to Robert Bonner, Jr. The marriage is to take place during the near future. Miss Aalto is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aalto and one of the most popular young ladies of the Island. She graduated from the Douglas high school last year. Mr. Bonner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bonner of Douglas and is connected with the Alaska Juneau mill.

APPOINTS DEPUTY

W. H. McCullough, has been appointed special deputy P. S. Marshall at Dahl Island, by U. S. Marshal Albert White. Dahl island is the headquarters of the Pacific Coast Cement Co., which is a new enterprise in southeastern Alaska.

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