

to Lend-Lease Shipments Overseas

In Production

Norman Oil Wells Open Drilling

AWA, March 1.—(CP)—Orders-in-Council published in the Canada Gazette indicated the opening of the search for oil in the Yukon and North West Territories.

Order gave authority to issue permits for prospecting and drilling for oil and gas within a radius of 50 miles of the discovery well of the North-West Company Ltd., located 45 miles north of Fort Norman, N.W.T. The petroleum and natural gas rights in this area which had not been disposed of under lease or permit, reserved by a government in 1942.

Fort Norman wells already in production have been used in drilling for oil and gasoline. In the construction of the Highway by United troops and contractors for other military activities north.)

YUKON DISTRICT.

New regulations permitting prospecting and drilling in the area surrounding Norman were effective immediately. A second order published in the Gazette, special regulations applied for the Norman area made applicable to 4350 square miles in the Hungary district of the Yukon Territory, and to a tract of 16,500 square miles near the Mackenzie River and the mouths of the Thunder, and Carcajou.

WITHIN 12 MONTHS.

When a prospector has chosen a location, drilling should start within 12 months, the regulations provide. If these operations are not begun within the required time, the permit granted for prospecting and drilling may be cancelled.

The minister will have the authority to assume possession of the location for the crown if it is considered advisable, and, in the event of dispute, compensation may be fixed for the location by the Exchequer of Canada.

Losses to Submarine

ALL JAP CRAFT IN NEW HANDS

The custodian of enemy property has just heaved a sigh of relief, for one of his responsibilities has vanished—disposal of the Japanese fishing fleet.

When the special committee handling Japanese fishing vessels completed the major portion of this work and turned the balance over to the custodian, between 200 and 300 boats were left, between 700 and 800 having been sold to white or Indian fishermen.

The transfer of responsibility took place several months ago. Since then the number has been slowly whittled away by purchase and lease. Practically all the vessels were of small packer or ordinary gillnet type, not over 45 feet long, the majority being between 30 and 35 feet.

With another fishing season near, there has recently been a revival of the demand for boats, and the custodian sold and otherwise disposed of them until there were only about 35 serviceable craft left.

These included three 40-foot pickup boats and 32 gillnetters. This final flotilla was sold, in one deal, Nelson Brothers Fisheries Ltd. buying them. Nelson Brothers will charter them out to company fishermen, it is understood.

Salmon Season Early in North

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP) — Opening date for red salmon fishing in the Bristol Bay, Alaska, area has been advanced one day to June 25, the department of interior announced today in issuing the Alaska fisheries regulations for 1943.

Interior Secretary Harold Ickes said fewer changes in the rules for protecting Alaskan commercial fisheries had been made than for many years past, because transportation conditions and other wartime problems made it inadvisable to hold the usual public hearings.

SASKATOON, March 1.—The need of legislation to provide debt adjustment for farmers when an emergency arises was stressed by Premier Garson of

Newest War Ailment Listed as Convoy Fatigue

NEW YORK, March 1.—(AP)—A new ailment called "convoy fatigue," produced by the war at sea, is found among merchant seamen, according to Lt. Com. Daniel Blain, M.D., U.S.N.R., medical director of the United Seamen's Service and the War Shipping Administration.

Prey to constant apprehension and with no chance to defend himself in life-threatening situations, the merchant seaman, even though neither torpedoed nor bombed, often comes home exhausted, with nervous indigestion, insomnia, trembling, the victim of nightmares, irritability and extreme nervous tension, Dr. Blain says.

Because naval seamen are able to strike back systematically at enemies, they aren't affected.

TORONTO, March 1.—(CP)—Imperial Tobacco Co. of Canada Ltd., today announced that the company has sold \$10,000,000 of serial sinking fund debentures which will mature in instalments in the years 1952 and 1956 inclusive.

The proceeds will be used for working capital, the company having invested more heavily in inventories.

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