

Sitka, Alaska  
October 10, 1936

Subject: Annual report of fisheries Kuskokwim River.

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Annual report of Charles Mc.Gonagall, Stream Guard on the Kuskokwim River for the season of 1936.

Left the Launch Goot at Russian Mission on May, 27 bound for the Kuskokwim with out-board motor and canoe, crossed the Portage in three days found quite a lot of ice in the lakes all the way across.

Robert Cherkie was the only one that fished over there for the out-side market, his camp was about one mile below Bethel himself and one Native put up 12- tierces of hard salt kings which were shipped to Seattle on the S.S. Tipper.

The king run started on June 2 and continued to July 10 when it slacked off, but there quite a few being caught when I went up river the first part of August, the runs of reds and chums started to run on June 16 and there were heavy runs of both of them all through June and July, the silvers started on July 20 and were running fairly good when I left there for the Yukon on August 6 there will not be any amount of silvers caught as every one is over stocked with dried fish already.

Left Bethel on July, 15 on a trip of inspection on the upper river went as far as Crooked Creek all the smoke houses were full of smoked fish and most of the wheels were closed down, would only run them just enough for their daily needs.

There was considerable sickness at the mouth of the river and on theundra this spring and several deaths, the Bureau of Indian Affairs had a traveling Nurse down there through June and July who did a lot of good.

Returned to the Yukon on August, 12 and finished the season on the Launch Goot.

Respectfully,  
Charles Mc.Gonagall,

/by/ C. F. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

Catch of salmon on the Kuskokwim River season of 1936.

	Fathoms chin nets.	King nets.	Wheels.	Kings.	Chums dried.
Crooked Creek			10	1,400	25 Tons
Horn Village			6	400	7 "
Napimute	150		8	1,200	10 "
Crow Village			2	500	3 "
Russian Mission	50		3	500	3 "
Anniak	100		3	250	3 "
Chagamute	100		8	1,500	16 "
Karlakag	200		8	500	6 "
Toliksak	200	100		2,000	16 "
Bogus Creek	60	150		2,000	24 "
Akiak	250	40		250	7 "
Akiakchek	300	150	1	2,000	24 "
Quithlock	400	200		2,500	35 "
Bethel	500	250		4,000	45 "
Napashak	150	50		1,700	16 "
Napogiak	150	50		2,000	18 "
Lomavik	80	40		800	8 "
Helmik Point	200	75		2,000	22 "
Eak River	150	100		1,000	14 "
Aopokok	200	100		2,000	20 "
Pokok	150	100		1,000	18 "
Popokamute	200	50		2,000	20 "
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Total --	3,550	1,405	46	33,500	371 Families

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Fish taken by Robert Garlick, Kuskokwim - 1936

June	Kings	Reds	Greys
3	25		
4	40		
5	20		
6	30		
8	20		
9	35		
10	40		
11	72		
12	27		
13	44		
15	20		
16	42		
17	34		2
18	28		7
19	42	1	12
20	48	3	4
22	42	7	5
23	37	4	12
24	47	2	18
25	20	2	
26	5		
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Total	718	23	

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 12-Tierces  
 hard salt

Fairbanks, Alaska  
October, 5, 1936

Subject: Report of Natives and their condition along the Yukon River.

Mr. Lemual G. Wingard,  
Agent, Alaska Fisheries,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Wingard:

Channeliak -  
Families 16  
No. of Individuals 46  
Prosperous Fairly  
Possibilities Trapping  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
Health T.B.  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Church Catholic

Hamilton -  
Families 11  
Individuals 45  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing and wood cutting  
Funds Necessary per year \$250.00  
Health T.B.  
School None  
Church Catholic

Kwiguk - including Alakanak, Bugomavik, Caladoolie, and Kwimlik  
Families 154  
Individuals 600  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing and some wood cutting  
Prosperous No  
Funds necessary per year \$150.00  
Health All T.B.  
School None  
Church Catholic

Mountain Village -  
Families 15  
Individuals 90  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing, wood cutting and reindeer herding  
Prosperous  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
Health Bureau of Indian Affairs  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Church Catholic & Lutheran

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Andreafsky -  
Families 8  
Individuals 20  
Possibilities Fishing, Trapping and some wood cutting  
Prosperous No  
Funds necessary per year \$150.00  
Health All T.B.  
Church Russian Catholic  
School None

Pilot Station -  
Families 20  
Individuals 141  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing & wood cutting  
Prosperous No  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
Health Fairly good  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Church Catholic

Tuckehuck -  
Families 21  
Individuals 85  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing, reindeer work and wood cutting  
Prosperous Yes  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
Health Good  
School No  
Church Catholic

Marshall - & Ingamute -  
Families 35  
Individuals 210  
Possibilities Wood Cutting, trapping, fishing, longshoring  
Prosperous Best on the Yukon  
Funds necessary per year \$350.00  
Health Good  
School Territorial  
Church Catholic

Chagamute -  
Families 9  
Individuals 17  
Possibilities Trapping and fishing  
Prosperous No  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
Health T.B.  
School No  
Church No

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Russian Mission -  
Families 9  
Individuals 20  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping and fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
Health T.B.  
Church Russian Catholic  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs (Closed)

Plasats -  
Families 17  
Individuals 100  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping and fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
School Catholic  
Church Catholic

Holy Cross -  
Families 18  
Individuals 90  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping & fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
School Catholic  
Church Catholic

Bonaselia -  
Families 10  
Individuals 20  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping & fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
School None  
Church None

Anvik to 9-Mile Point -  
Families 16  
Individuals 45  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing and wood cutting  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
School None  
Church Episcopal

Hills Rapids - Summer Camp -  
Families 20  
Individuals 125  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping and fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
Health T.B.  
Schools None  
Church None

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Kaltag -  
 Families 25  
 Individuals 110  
 Prosperous Fairly  
 Possibilities Trapping, cutting wood and fishing  
 Funds necessary per year \$400.00  
 Health T.B.  
 School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
 Church Catholic

Mulato -  
 Families 57  
 Individuals 250  
 Prosperous No  
 Possibilities Trapping, fishing and wood.  
 Funds necessary per year \$400.00  
 Health T.B.  
 School Catholic  
 Church Catholic

Kuyukuk -  
 Families 25  
 Individuals 90  
 Prosperous No  
 Possibilities Trapping, wood, fishing and boating  
 Funds necessary per year \$450.00  
 Health Poor  
 School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
 Church Catholic

Galena -  
 Families 9  
 Individuals 22  
 Prosperous No  
 Possibilities Trapping, fishing and cutting wood.  
 Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
 Health T.B.  
 School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
 Church Catholic

Louden -  
 Families 8  
 Individuals 20  
 Prosperous No  
 Possibilities Trapping & fishing  
 Funds necessary per year \$350.00  
 Health Fairly good  
 School None  
 Church None

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Ruby -  
Families 30  
Individuals 100  
Prosperous Yes  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing, longshoring & road work  
Funds necessary per year \$500.00  
Health T.B. Most every one  
School Territorial  
Church Catholic

Kokrines -  
Families 14  
Individuals 35  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping, wood & fishing  
Funds necessary per year \$300.00  
Health Fair  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Church None

Griders to Tanana Inc. -  
Families 15  
Individuals 30  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing & wood  
Funds necessary per year \$400.00  
Health Fair  
School Bureau of Indian Affairs & Territorial  
Church Catholic & Episcopal

Squaw Point to Nenana on Tanana River -  
Families 43  
Individuals 85  
Prosperous No  
Possibilities Trapping, fishing, wood and Steam boat work  
Funds necessary per year \$250.00  
Health T.B.  
School None  
Church 1 - st Minto Episcopal

Respectfully submitted

/s/ D.F. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

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Catch of Salmon on the Yukon & Tanana Rivers ----- 1936

Jorgensen & Johnson - Kriguk Slough

2	Wheels
20	Fathoms king nets
800	Kings
10	Tons dried chums
9- 200 #	Bbls., hard salted kings
12- 200 #	Bbls., hard salted chums.

William O'Connor - Kriguk, Slough.

1	Wheel
10	Fathoms king nets
400	Kings
3	Tons dried chums
12- 200 #	Bbls., hard salted kings.
10- 50 #	Kegs hard salted chums.

Natives in Kriguk, Slough.

6	Wheels
60	Fathoms king nets
1,000	Kings
15	Native families
7	Tons dried chums

Bugomavik Slough - Mouth of Aparoka Pass

2	Wheels
10	Native Families
7	Tons dried chums
300	Kings
5	Tons dried chums
6	King nets

Alcalurak Slough - St. Mary's Mission

4	Wheels
25,000,000	Chums
800	Kings

Hamilton, Apoon Mouth

7	Native families
1	Wheel
6	Chum nets - 7 - Fathoms each
4	King nets 7 - Fathoms each
6	Tons dried chums
300	Kings

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	Kaschucks
5	Native families
8	Wheels
5	Chum nets - 8 Fathoms each
300	Kings
4	Tons dried chums
	Mountain Village
20	Native families
12	Wheels
9	Chum nets - 6 Fathoms each
600	Kings
16	Dried chums
	Pitka Point, Mouth of Andreafsky River
12	Native families
2	Wheels
9	Chum nets - 6 Fathoms each
400	Kings
5	Tons dried chums
	George Peterson - Old Andreafsky
1	Wheel
3	Tons dried chums
	Pilot Station
8	Native families
5	Wheels
7	Chum nets - 8 Fathoms nets
400	Kings
9	Tons dried chums
	Marshall
10	Native families
5	Wheels
6	Chum nets - 9 Fathoms each
700	Kings
8	Dried chums, tons.
	Ohagamute
8	Native families
3	Wheels
4	Chum nets. 7 Fathom each
400	Kings
5	Tons dried chums
	Russian Mission
9	Native families
3	wheels
9	Chum nets 7 fathoms each
1,500	Kings
9	Tons dried chums

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Tuckers Landing. Alex Holmsberg  
1 Wheel  
1 King net - 8 Fathoms  
300 Kings  
3 Tons dried chums

Piasute  
17 Native families  
11 Wheels  
8 Chum nets. 20 Fathoms each  
800 Kings  
14 Dried chums

Holy Cross  
13 Native families  
6 Wheels  
3 Chum nets. 30 Fathoms each  
1,000 Kings  
6 Tons dried chums

James Walker, Holy Cross  
1 Wheel  
2 Chum nets - 30 Fathoms each  
400 Kings  
8 Tons chums, Dried

Bonassella  
10 Native families  
7 Wheels  
4 Chum nets. 10 Fathoms each  
26 Tons dried chums

Anvik  
14 Native families  
11 Wheels  
15 Tons dried chums  
100 Kings

8-Mile Island  
5 Native families  
4 Wheels  
3 Chum nets. 10 Fathoms each  
7 Tons dried chums

Halls Rapids  
9 Native families  
8 Wheels  
10 Dried chums - Tons

Fred Karos - H. T. Phillips  
1 Wheel  
3 Tons dried chums

Karos.  
4 Native families  
4 Wheels  
6 Tons dried chums

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	Blackburn - Bill Thurmond
1	Wheel
500	Kings
3	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Kaltag
20	Native families
18	Wheels
900	kings
23	Tons dried chums
	Half Way
10	Native families
9	wheels
700	Kings
12	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Nulato
15	Native families
15	Wheels
500	kings
15	Tons dried chums and silvers
	Kuyukuk Station
15	Native families
15	Wheels
800	Kings
10	Tons dried chums and Silvers
	Bishop Mountain - Walter Moller
1	Wheel
200	Kings
4	Tons dried chums and silvers
	Bishop Mountain - Native
1	Wheel
150	Kings
2	Tons dried chums and silvers
	Galena
4	Native families
3	Wheels
250	Kings
5	Tons dried chums and silvers
	Merry Widow Bend
5	Native families
4	Wheels
500	Kings
4	Tons dried chums and silvers
	Whiskey Creek
3	Native families
3	Wheels
800	Kings
6	Tons dried chums and silvers

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	<b>Camps between Whiskey Creek &amp; Ruby</b>	
16		Native families
15		Wheels
1,100		Kings
14		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Ruby - Alex Brown</b>	
3		Wheels
2,000		Kings
10		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Ruby - Scotty Clark</b>	
2		Wheels
1,000		Kings
5		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Ruby -- Red Allen</b>	
2		Wheels
600		Kings
5		Tons chums & silvers
	<b>Ruby -- Natives</b>	
3		Families
3		Wheels
900		Kings
5		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Allens to Kokrines</b>	
12		Native families
11		Wheels
600		Kings
9		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Palasades.</b>	
5		Native families
5		Wheels
300		Kings
7		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Griders.</b>	
3		Native families
2		Wheels
400		Kings
4		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Robsons</b>	
4		Native families
5		Wheels
150		Kings
5		Tons dried chums and silvers
	<b>Old Station</b>	
4		Native families
4		Wheels
200		Kings
4		Tons dried chums and silvers

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Tanana  
 5 Native families  
 4 Wheels  
 300 Kings  
 3 Tons dried chums and silvers

Tanana River - Tanana to Menana  
 16 Native families  
 16 Wheels  
 19 Tons dried chums and silvers  
 Inside mouth of river.

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Wheels	King nets.	Kings.	Dried chums & silvers
246	132 Fathoms	22,750	374- $\frac{1}{2}$ tons or 749,000 fish

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Estimate there were about one third silvers in the dried fish it is impossible to accurate count after the fish are in the smoke houses or bailed.

Respectfully,

/s/ C. F. Townsend  
 Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

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Fairbanks, Alaska  
October 9, 1936

Subject: Annual report Yukon River.

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Annual report of the Fisheries on the Tanana and Yukon Rivers from Menana to the mouth of the Yukon River on Bering Sea, left Menana with the Launch Coot to do patrol duty at the mouth of the Yukon, where three out-fits were mild during king salmon for export to the states.

Charles Mc. Gonagall was employed again this season for Stream Guard for the Kuskokwim River District, leaving Fairbanks on May 1 for Menana where the Coot had been in winter quarters, from May 1 to May 19 he was putting the Coot in shape for the summers work, left Menana for the mouth of the river on May 20. owing to the shortage of funds only one man was employed until we got to Blackburn where W.D. Thurmond was picked up to take Mc.Gonagalls place while he was over on the Kuskokwim River, on the last of July the chartered Launch Marie S. Broke down beyond repairs for the rest of the season, as there was no other Launch available over there for patrol work Mc.Conagall was ordered back to the Yukon to finish the season on the Coot and Thurmond was layed off and sent to his home at Blackburn, this made a saving of nearly \$400.00.

There were no signs of any activity any where along the Yukon or Tanana Rivers, every one was out after muskrats; upon arrival at Ediguk on May 31 found several wheels in the river and thirty kings had been caught on the 30 & 31, which was the earliest that many kings had ever been caught down there.

Frank Kern and the Northern Commercial Company had their mild curing plants in Acharon Channel, both were on barges anchored in the stream, for cold storages they had holes dug in the ground on the Tundra and covered with moss, which had filled with water during the high tides during the winter and frozen; making an ideal cold storage as the ice lasted until the middle of July when their pack was shipped to Seattle. Chris Lauredson had his camp at Ageklarok Point (Locally called Tin-can-point) in former years this has been a good fishing site, but this year they did not hit there and his pack was only 3-tierces, which he sold to Frank Kernt. Mary's Mission located at the head of Sun-shine-bay did all of their fishing with four wheels, drift wood kept their wheels idle while the best runs were on, their pack was 18-tierces mild cure kings which were shipped to Seattle, only two white men were employed by the four out-fits the rest were local natives and half breeds.

The king catch this season will average up with former years while the annum and silver catches was exceptionally large especially on the upper YUKON and Tanana Rivers, the silver run started at least two weeks earlier than I have seen it; as the weather has been good this fall most of the silvers will be dried

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Frank Kern sold all of his interests on the Yukon to the Northern Commercial Co., including his saltery, equipment, nets, boats, hand cannery, two trading posts, cold storage located in Acharon Channel and fish wheels, understand the price was \$34,000. was informed that the Northern Commercial Co., intended to combine the two plants next season.

There was a lot of agitation on the lower river in favor of the cannery John Bee. was planning on putting in down there, the Catholic Missions have with drawn their opposition and are in favor of his coming in under the limited pack regulations. When I left the lower river Mr. Esel had not decided to ship his cannery machinery in, as Delegate Diamond would not agree to with draw his opposition until he had investigated futher as to conditions on the upper river, if it is this years catch they are to investigate they will find there are more fish in storage than there have been for years and no market for it, when dried fish are selling for .04¢ per # there is no chance for any one to pay the Natives are starving.

3. Fishery operations.

- A. Frank Kern hand cannery located at Wriguk- 190 cases 1 # flat cans, all sold locally.
- B. None.
- C. Frank Kern sold all of his interests in Alaska to the Northern Commercial Company including hand cannery and all saltery equipment.
- C. None
- E. None
- F. Frank Kern, Northern Commercial Company, Chris Lauredson and St. Mary's Mission wild cured kings for export.

Frank Kern	100- 800 # Tierces M.C.Kings
Frank Kern	24- 400 # Bbls., H.S. Kings
Northern Commercial Co.	119- 800 # Tierces H.S.Kings
Northern Commercial Co.	15- 200 # Bbls. H.S.Kings
Chris Lauredson	3- 800 # Tierces M.C.Kings
St. Mary's Mission	18- 800 # Tierces M.C.Kings

C. None

b. Gear operated.

- A. Frank Kern, gear operated out-side stakes. 525- Fathoms king nets.
- N.C. Co., " " " " " 800 " " "
- C. Lauredson " " in-side stakes 40 " " "
- St. Marys Mission " " " " 4-wheels.
- E. Jorgenson & Johnson, inside stakes. 3-wheels.
- Natives " " 20-Fathoms king nets.

C. None



- 5. Run and escapement of salmon.
  - A. First kings were caught at the mouth on May 30 very light runs up to June, 16 which was the peak of the run, at no time from then to July 14 were there any catches like former years during the same period, all four out-fits closed down on July 14. As in former years the main runs of all species came into the river through the Acharon Channel, on June, 17 the main run of the chums started and they came into the river like the kings did, there would be one or two days of good catches and then slack off next to nothing and that was the way it was all summer, the best catches were made the first part of July. The silver run started on July 12 which was about two weeks earlier than than I have ever known it to start and where ever there were wheels out along the river when we came up they were catching more silvers than they had ever caught before.
  - B. None
- 6. Stream marking. Markers were put out at Ageklarek and Nylak.
- 7. Stream improvement and predatory control. No.e
- 8. Patrol seasonal history
  - A. The Launch Coot was used for patrol duty on the Yukon and the Launch Marie S. on the Kuskokwim River.
  - B. Charles McGonagall, Kuskokwim River employed from May, 1 to September, 30 inc., @ \$5.00 per day, did not furnish own Launch. W.D. Thurmond, Yukon River aboard Launch Coot, employed from May, 26 to August, 11 inc., @ \$5.00 per day. T.H. Deal, Eagle on upper Yukon, employed from May, 23 to September 22 inc., @ \$5.00 per day. No launch doing shore duty.
- 9. Complaints and prosecutions, None.
- 10. Conditions of local whites and natives. Both whites and natives are the poorest poverty stricken people in Alaska.
  - A. Approximate earnings of those engaged in the Fisheries; \$10,229.70  
Average price paid for king salmon, 40 ¢ E. gear furnished.
  - B. Unemployment - Two thirds population unemployed- Cause not work enough to go around- Effect- In need of many things.
  - C. Possibilities of gainful pursuits other than fishing- Trapping in winter.
- 11. Cooperative services rendered to other branches of the Government-On June, 30 ran to New Hamilton Slough and picked up Dr. Corbell in charge of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Hospital, at Mountain Village and took him to the Saltery where there was an epidemic of Flu and Mumps among the Natives, there was three deaths before he arrived and three after he left. on July, 2nd. returned him to Kwiguk from there he took his chartered launch back to Mountain Village.
- 12. Unusual occurrences noted through the season pertinent to the fisheries, including tagging operations. None.
- 13. Recommendations. Recommend that instead of staying on the lower river after the fishing season closes as in past years the month of August be spent from Marshall to Nenana, so that a better check can be made of the catches before most of the Camps are closed, like they were this year.

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The return trip to Fairbanks especially up the Yukon was one of the best I have ever had, water conditions were ideal, but the water in the Tanana River was at the lowest stage it has ever been when we came up, the Government steam boat which came into the Tanana River three days after we did had more trouble than they ever had before and they draw nearly a foot less water than the Coot does.

Upon arrival at Nenana the Coot was pulled out on the Bureau's ways and put in winter quarters.

Respectfully submitted.

/s/

G. F. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

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Catch of Salmon on the Yukon & Tanana Rivers ---- 1936

	Jorgensen & Johnson--Kwiguk Slough	
2	Wheels	
20	Fathoms king nets.	
2	Native fishermen	
800	kings	
10	Tons dried chums	
9- 200¢	Ebls., hard salted kings	
12- 200¢	Ebls., hard salted chums.	
	William O'Gonner----Kwiguk Slough	
1	Wheel	
10	Fathoms king nets.	
1	Native fishermen	
400	Kings	
3	Tons dried chums	
12- 200¢	Ebls., hard salted kings	
10- 50¢	Ebls. hard salted chums	
	Natives in Kwiguk Slough	
6	Wheels	
60	Fathoms king nets.	
1,000	Kings	
15	Native families	
7	Tons dried chums	
	Bugomvik Slough- Mouth of Aparoka Pass	
2	Wheels	
10	Native families	
7	Tons dried chums	
300	Kings	
5	Tons dried chums	
6	Fathoms king nets.	
	Akularak Slough -- St. Marys Mission	
4	Wheels	
25,000	Chums	
800	Kings	
3	Priests	
3	Brothers	
6	Sisters	
130	Children	
	Old Hamilton -- Apoon Mouth	
7	Native families	
1	Wheel	
6	Chum nets - 7 fathoms each	
4	King nets - 7 fathoms each	
6	Tons dried chums	
300	Kings	

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Keechucks  
 5 Native families  
 5 Wheels  
 5 Chum nets - 8 Fathoms each.  
 300 Kings  
 4 Tons dried chums

Mountain Village  
 20 Native families  
 12 Wheels  
 9 Chum nets- 6 Fathoms each  
 600 Kings  
 16 Tons dried chums

George Peterson, Old Andreafsky  
 1 Wheel  
 3 Tons dried chums

Pitka Point, Mouth of Andreafsky River  
 12 Native families  
 2 Wheels  
 9 Chum nets, 6 Fathoms each  
 400 Kings  
 5 Tons dried chums

Pilot Station  
 8 Native families  
 8 Wheels  
 7 Chum nets, 8 Fathoms each  
 400 Kings  
 9 Tons dried chums

Marshall  
 10 Native families  
 5 Wheels  
 6 Chum nets, 9 Fathoms each  
 700 Kings  
 8 Tons dried chums

Chaganute  
 8 Native families  
 3 Wheels  
 4 Chum nets, 7 Fathoms each  
 400 Kings  
 5 Tons dried chums

Russian Mission  
 9 Native families  
 3 Wheels  
 9 Chum nets, 7 Fathoms each  
 1,500 Kings  
 9 Tons dried chums

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	<b>Tuckers Landing</b>	
1	Wheel	
1	King nets, 8- Fathoms	
300	Kings	
3	Tons dried chums	
	<b>Pianite</b>	
17	Native families	
11	Wheels	
8	Chum nets, 20 Fathoms each	
14	Tons dried chums	
800	Kings	
	<b>Holy Cross</b>	
13	Native families	
6	Wheels	
3	Chum nets, 30 Fathoms each	
1,000	Kings	
6	Tons dried chums	
	<b>James Walker - Ghost Creek</b>	
1	Wheel	
2	Chum nets, 30 Fathoms each	
400	Kings	
8	Tons dried chums	
	<b>Benasella</b>	
10	Native families	
7	Wheels	
4	Chum nets, 10 Fathoms each	
26	Tons dried chums.	
	<b>Anvik</b>	
14	Native families	
11	Wheels	
15	Tons dried chums	
166	Kings	
	<b>8-Mile Island</b>	
9	Native families	
4	Wheels	
5	Chum nets, 10 Fathoms each	
7	Tons dried chums	
	<b>Halls Rapids</b>	
9	Native families	
8	Wheels	
10	Tons dried chums	
	<b>Caroe, K.T. Phillips</b>	
1	Wheels	
3	Tons dried chums	
	<b>Caroe</b>	
4	Native families	
4	Wheels	
4	Tons dried chums	

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	Blackburne, Bill Thurmond
1	Wheel
500	Kings
3	Tons dried chums
	Kaltag
20	Native families
	Wheels
900	Kings
23	Tons dried chums
	Half Way
10	Native families
9	Wheels
600	Kings
12	Tons dried chums
	Mulato
15	Native families
15	Wheels
500	Kings
15	Tons dried chums
	Kuyukuk Station
15	Native families
15	Wheels
800	Kings
10	Tons dried chums & Silvers
	Bishop Mountain, Walter Hollar
1	Wheel
200	Kings
4	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Bishop Mountain
1	Native family
1	Wheel
150	Kings
2	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Salena
4	Native families
3	Wheels
250	Kings
5	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Merry Widow Bend
5	Native families
4	Wheels
600	Kings
4	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Whiskey Creek
3	Native families
3	Wheels
800	Kings
5	Tons dried chums & Silvers

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16	Camps between Whiskey and Ruby
15	Native families
1,200	Wheels
14	Kings
	Tons dried chums, & silvers
	Ruby - Alex Brown
3	Wheels
2,000	Kings
10	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Scotty Clark - Ruby
2	Wheels
1,000	Kings
5	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Red Allen - Ruby
2	Wheels
600	Kings
5	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Ruby - Natives
3	Families
3	Wheels
900	Kings
5	Dried chums & silvers
	Allens to Koiranes
11	Wheels
12	Native families
600	Kings
9	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Palasades
5	Native families
300	Kings
5	Wheels
7	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Griders
3	Native families
2	Wheels
400	Kings
4	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Robsons
4	Native families
5	Wheels
150	Kings
5	Tons dried chums & silvers
	Old Station
4	Native families
4	Wheels
200	Kings
4	Tons dried chums & silvers

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Tanana  
 5 Native families  
 4 Wheels  
 300 Kings  
 3 Tons dried chums & silvers

Tanana River - Tanana River  
 16 Native families  
 16 Wheels  
 19 Tons dried chums & silvers

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Wheels.	Native Families	King nets	Chum nets	Kings	Dried chums & Silvers
240	317	132-Fathoms	791 Fathoms	22,750	374 Tons

Estimate there were about one third silvers caught from Mulato to Nenana, the silvers have always run on the bar sides of the river from Mulato down which accounts for the short run from there to the mouth.

Respectfully,

Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BUREAU OF FISHERIES

Fairbanks, Alaska,  
February 3, 1937

Mr. Lemuel J. Winberg,  
Agent, Alaska Fisheries,  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Winberg:

Attached hereto please find supplementary reports of the Yukon fishery operations for 1936 as per request your telegram January, 18. The original and two copies of this report was mailed from here by air mail on October, 19. to the Seattle Office, it must have got mislaid somewhere as my annual report and report of natives was in the same envelope.

Respectfully,

/s/ E. T. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

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Fairbanks, Alaska  
October 12, 1935

Commissioner of Fisheries  
Washington, D.C.

Seasons report of the fisheries from Asigik at the South mouth of the Yukon River to Nenana on the Tanana River -----1935.

The Coct was launched on May 21 - left Nenana for the mouth of the Yukon on May 29 - Am. Lindstrom was employed as stream guard for the Yukon District doing duty aboard the Coct-- Charles McGonagall was employed as stream Guard for the Kuskokwim District, using the chartered launch Marie S. McGonagall left the Coct at the mouth of Portage Slough on June 6, proceeding to the Kuskokwim with out-board motor and canoe, after his seasons work was finished he returned to the Yukon, arriving at the head of Portage Slough on August 21, came aboard the Coct and returned to Nenana arriving there on September 14, the Coct was put on the ways on September 18.

The ice moved out of the Tanana River at Nenana on May 16, which was the latest breakup in history, off the mouth of the Yukon there was ice on June 15 which is nearly the record for down there, the first kings were caught at the mouth on June 11, the peak of the king run was from June 18 to June 27, the chums came into the river with the kings and continued to run through June and up to July 20 from July 20 to August 14 the date we left the mouth for Fairbanks the wheels were picking from seventy five to one hundred in every twenty four, most of these fish were put in what the natives call chenuk holes and dug up in the winter for their own use and dog feed.

Although the catch of kings and chums was not as heavy as in some of the past years, it was plenty for any of those that made any effort to get them, every year there always been and always will be some that have not get fish.

them until Christmas, but they are not in the majority by any means.

In some places the Traders were paying 10¢ per lb. in trade for limited amounts of dried fish, an average of 8¢ per lb. would be about right for the whole length of the river, dried fish has always sold here in Fairbanks for 10 or 15¢ per pound this fall it is selling for 10¢ per pound with the market over stocked.

On our way up the Tanana River found many of the camps had been abandoned and the Natives gone to their winter camps, but those that were still fishing were having good catches, at no time in the past have the Natives on the Tanana River made any great effort to catch any amount of fish, as there are moose and caribou in the hills that can be easily killed, taking the season as a whole the natives are as well fixed for fish as they have ever been it is the ones that live around the towns that are always in need and not the ones that are out in the hills.

Respectfully,

/s/

Calvin F. Townsend

Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

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Catch of Salmon on the Yukon & Tanana Rivers - 1935

Jorgensen & Johnson - Kwiguk Slough

2- Wheels  
20- Fathoms chum nets  
600- Kings  
8- Tons dried chums  
13-200# Btls. Hard salted chums  
7- 200 " Hard salted kings

William O'Connor - Kwiguk Slough

1- Wheel  
10- Fathoms chum nets  
200- Kings  
2- Tons dried chums  
15-200# Btls. Hard salted kings  
10-50# " Hard salted chums

15-Native Families - Kwiguk

5- Wheels  
50- Fathoms chum nets  
700- Kings  
6- Tons dried chums

Eugomavik - Mouth of Aparoka Pass

2- Wheels  
10- Native Families  
9- Tons dried chums  
400- Kings  
6- Chum nets - 8 - fathoms each

Old Hamilton - Apoon Mouth

7- Native Families  
1- Wheel  
6- Chum nets - 7 Fathoms each  
3- King nets - 7 Fathoms each  
5- Tons dried chums  
200 Kings

Akulurak, head of Sunshine Bay - St. Marys Mission

4- Wheels  
28,000.00 Chums

Keechucks-

5- Native Families  
5- Wheels  
5- Chum nets - 8 Fathoms each  
100- Kings  
5- Tons dried chums

Mt. Village

20- Native Families  
13- Wheels  
7- Chum nets - 6 fathoms each  
200 Kings  
7- Tons dried chums

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Kewanik-

8- Native Families  
3- Wheels  
6- Chum nets - 7 fathoms each  
300 Kings  
5 Tons dried chums

Pitka Point-Mouth of Andreafsky River

12- Native Families  
1- Wheel  
9- Chum nets - 6 fathoms each  
500- Kings  
5- Tons dried chums

George Peterson - Old Andreafsky

1 Wheel  
2½ Tons dried chums

Pilot Station

8- Native Families  
4- Wheels  
7- Chum nets - 8 fathoms each  
500 Kings  
10- Tons dried chums

Marshall

9- Native Families  
4- Wheels  
6- Chum nets - 9 fathoms each  
800- Kings  
10- Tons dried chums

Russian Mission

9- Native Families  
4- Wheels  
10- Nets - 7 fathoms each  
2,500 Kings  
12 Tons dried chums

Tuckers Landing - Alex Holmberg

1 Wheel  
2 Tons dried chums

Pianute.

15 Native Families  
9- Wheels  
6 Chum nets - 20 fathoms each  
600 Kings  
13- Tons dried chums

Holy Cross

11- Native Families  
4- Wheels  
2- Chum nets - 30 fathoms each  
800- Kings  
4- Tons chums

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Holy Cross - James Walker

- 1- wheel
- 2 Chum nets - 30 fathoms each
- 200- Kings
- 7- Tons dried chums

Bonazella

- 10- Native Families
- 8- wheels
- 3- Chum nets - 10 fathoms each
- 30 Tons dried chums

Anvik

- 14 Native Families
- 12 wheels
- 18 Tons dried chums

8-Mile Island

- 5 Native Families
- 4- wheels
- 30 Fathoms chum nets
- 6- Tons dried chums

Halls Rapids

- 9- Native Families
- 8- wheels
- 7- Tons dried chums

Fred Karos - h.T. Phillips

- 1- wheel
- 2- Tons dried chums

Karos-

- 4- Native Families
- 4- wheels
- 5- Tons dried chums

Blackburn - Bill Thurmond

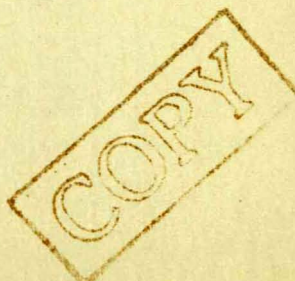
- 1- wheels
- 300- Kings
- 4- Tons dried chums

Kaltag

- 20 Native Families
- 18- wheels
- 700- Kings
- 25 Tons dried chums

Half Way

- 9- Native Families
- 8- wheels
- 500 Kings
- 9- Tons chums



Nulato

15- Native Families  
16- wheels  
500- Kings  
14- Tons dried chums

16- Native Families  
15- wheels  
700- Kings  
10- Tons chums dried

Bishop Mountain - Walter Nooler

1- wheel  
100- Kings  
3- Tons dried chums

Galena

4- Native Families  
3- wheels  
200 Kings  
4- Tons dried chums

Merry Widow Point

6- Native Families  
4- wheels  
200 Kings  
4- Tons dried chums

Whiskey Creek

3- Native Families  
3- wheels  
700- Kings  
4- Tons dried chums

Camp between Whiskey Creek and Ruby

14- Native Families  
13- wheels  
900 Kings  
13- Tons dried chums

Melozio Charles Knox

2 wheels  
3 Native families  
900 Kings  
4 Tons dried chums

Ruby-Alex Brown

3- wheels  
1500 Kings  
9- Tons dried chums

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Ruby-Scotty Clark  
2- Wheels  
2,000 Kings  
4- Tons dried chums

Ruby-Red Allen.  
2- Wheels  
400- Kings  
4- Tons dried chums

Allens to Kokrines  
12- Native Families  
12- wheels  
400- Kings  
8- Tons dried chums

Palasades - John Swenson  
2- wheels  
300- Kings  
3- Tons dried chums

Griders  
6- Native Families  
6- Wheels  
5- Tons dried chums

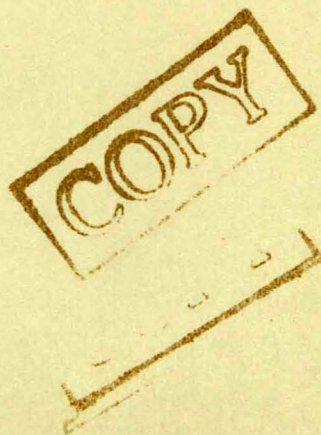
Robsons-  
4- Native Families  
5- Wheels  
400- Kings  
6- Tons dried chums

Old Station  
5- Native Families  
5- Wheels  
300- Kings  
6- Tons dried chums

Tanana  
5- Native Families  
3- Wheels  
500 Kings  
6- Tons

Tanana-Johnny Adams  
1- Wheel  
200- Kings  
2- Tons dried chums

Tanana River-Tanana to Nenana  
16 Native families  
16 wheels  
18 Tons dried chums.



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TOTALS

Wheels

258

King Nets

21

Chum nets

828

Rings

20,400

Fried Chums

345½ tons

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Nenana, September,  
14, 1935

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Annual report of Salteries operating at the mouth of the Yukon River  
1935.

There were two out-fits fishing for king salmon out side the mouth and one inside the stakes, Frank Kern and the Northern Commercial Company were located out side the stakes and St. Marys Mission was located about thirty miles up river from the stakes at the head of Sun-shine-bay, owing to the lateness of the ice moving away from the mouth of the river there were no activities until June, 11, even at that time the ice was within half a mile of Kerns nets and remained there for several days, at no time were there any runs like there has always been in former years, at least the fishermen did not catch them, it is my opinion as well as several other that the ice kept them off the mouth so long, that when they did come in they kept to the main channel and deep water missing all of the nets at the mouth, reports from up river as far as Ruby and down to Marshall confirm this, as the catches up there have been good in most places.

The catch for the two salteries was 4,860 all caught with gill nets out side the mouth, St. Marys Mission catch was 1,000 all caught in wheels inside the mouth, 595 of these were mild cured the rest were taken to the Mission and dried for food for the children.

All fishermen and fish house employees were natives and local residents. all fishing was done in Acharon Channel with gill nets, with the exception of Boat-No-6 which was located on Flat Island for twelve days

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this location has always been considered one of the best down here in former years, this year the total catch for twelve days was 197 kings, marked charts have been forwarded showing location of saltaries and the location of the boats with their daily catch.

Chris. Lauredson did not do any fishing this season, it was his intention to put up a few tierces in Kwiguk Channel, but when he saw the catches Kern and the Northern Commercial Co., were having he gave up for this year.

The Alaska Reindeer Co., (owned by Waschter Bros., did not come in this season understand that their pack from last year was shipped to Germany and too late they have been unable to collect any money for it, their cold storage barge, tierces, salt and other equipment are stored in their barge in Andreafsky River. Statistical Report Blanks were mailed to the Galovin Bay Packing Company, Frank Kern, Northern Commercial Company and St. Marys Mission were handed to them with addressed envelopes with instructions to have them in the Seattle office as soon as the fishing season was over.

The combined pack of 130-tierces was taken to St. Michael and shipped to St. Michael on the S.S. Dalwood.

It is impossible to give any definite information as to what these fish will bring in the Seattle market.

Respectfully.

/s/ C. T. Townsend

Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

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Northern Commercial Co., Daily catch of King Salmon by boat for June, 1935.

	Boat 1	Boat 2	Boat 3	Boat 4	Boat 5
June 16	32	47	106	39	
June 17	130	106	72	53	
June 18	90	103	177	40	
June 19	45	58	69	70	
June 20	24	23	65	49	
June 21	22	15	40	51	
June 22	39	59	110	97	
June 23	1	4	20	36	
June 24	2	3	4	10	4
June 25	18	31	42	59	68
June 26	19	47	39	49	44
June 27	32	20	40	42	39
June 28	6	5	15	4	7
June 29	2	2	7	5	3
June 30	13	7	11	11	
TOTALS	475	530	819	620	165
					2,609
July 1		1	3		
July 2		2			
July 3					
TOTALS		3-	3-		6
					2,615

All caught with nets out side the mouth in Acharos Channel.

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Frank Kerns daily catch of King Salmon by boat for June, 1935 - Acharon Channel.

	Boat 1	Boat 2	Boat 3	Boat 4	Boat 5	Boat 6
June 11	17	26	9	28	0	
June 12	7	56	33	156		
June 13	25	114	56	156	6	
June 14	19	94	40	155	97	
June 15	69	83	126	45	26	
June 16	9	45	8	26	78	
June 17	52	113	66	56	15	
June 18	13	90	33	103	50	
June 19	2	17	4	25	19	
June 20	8	22	15	59	10	
June 21	11	99	19	23	24	
June 22	24	104	41	33	28	
June 23	13	7	8	21	6	
June 24	10	50	2	1	3	
June 25	41	83	25	55	16	
June 26	51	73	56	45	53	
June 27	23	6	15	10	60	
June 28	11	4	13	6	7	5
June 29	7	5	0	2	1	5
June 30	8	1	2	6	2	13
<b>Totals</b>	404	1,089	559	1,084	520	23 = 3,269

July 1	6	8	3	8	7	5
July 2	0	1	8	0	7	3
July 3	16	11	8	19	59	14
July 4	17	13	13	14	9	18
July 5	7	13	5	17	3	31
July 6	13	17	24	17	17	6
July 7	8	6	16	18	27	46
July 8	3	0	2	6	2	10
July 9	4	8	12	9	2	30
<b>Totals</b>	67	73	70	99	153	174 = 616 4,245

All caught with nets outside the mouth in Acharon Channel.

(These figures are probably not 100% accurate because the carbon copy from which they were taken was so indistinct as to be almost illegible)

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Frank Kern - Kwikluak Mouth- Acharon Channel- 1935.

1		Wages.
12-	Fishermen.	\$5.00 per day.
1-	Transporter.	\$5.00 " "
6-	Slimers.	\$5.00 " "
1-	Splitter.	\$7.00 " "
1-	Salter & Foreman.	\$10.00 " "
1-	Header-	\$6.00 " "
70-	Fathoms net to each boat.	
72-	800 # Tierces mild cure kings.	Value unknown.
23-	400 # Pbls. Hard salt kings.	Value unknown.
4,245-	Kings all caught in gill nets. (Out side mouth of river)	
1-	Power pick-up boat- (Roosevelt)	
6-	Fishing skiffs.	

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Northern Commercial Company - Kwikluak Mouth- Acharon Channel.

10-	Fishermen. .40¢ per fish. (Kings)	\$1,044.80
2-	Transporters.	\$ 5.00 per day.
10-	Slimers.	\$ 5.00 " "
1-	Splitter.	\$ 7.00 " "
1-	Header.	\$ 7.00 " "
1-	Salter.	\$ 7.50 " "
1-	Power pick up boat. (Reindeer)	
5-	Fishing skiffs.	
70-	Fathoms king net to each boat.	
49-	800 # Tierces mild cure kings.	Value unknown.
1-	400 # Pbl., Hard salt kings.	Value unknown.
2,615-	Kings all caught in gill nets outside mouth of river.	

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St. Mary's Mission- Kwikluak Mouth- Head of Sun-shine-bay.

4-	wheels.
1-	Pick-up power boat.
5-	Natives in fish house
8-	Native girls in sliming shed.
9-	800 # Tierces of mild cure kings. (value unknown)
1,000-	Kings all caught in-side stakes. In wheels.
	Averaged 65- to the tierce.

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Fairbanks, Alaska  
October, 17, 1935

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Seasons report of the Fisheries on the Kuskokwim River for  
1935- by Charles Mc.Gonagall, Stream Guard.

There were two out-fits fishing for export on the Kuskokwim  
River this season, the Sether Davis, Fishing Company and Robert Cherkie, Sether  
Davis came from Seattle with the U.S. Anvil and located just outside the stakes  
at the mouth of the Kuskokwim River, their entire pack consisted of 257-400 #  
Bbles of hard salt kings and 3- 400# Bbls. of hard salt reds - the entire crew  
with the exception of two natives came from Seattle, the natives were employed  
in the sliming room, their packing was all done aboard the U.S. Anvil.

Robert Cherkie fished about three miles below Bethel, his  
pack was 12-800 # tierces hard salt kings, part of his fish were bought from  
native fishermen, Mr. Cherkie and one native did all the work around the fish  
house, the pack was shipped to Seattle on the S.S. Tupper.

During July a trip was made up the River as far as Crooked  
Creek, nearly all the natives had their catch in their smoke houses and their  
wheels put away, prices being paid for dried fish was 11# per # with every one  
well supplied for the winter.

The attached sheets show the catch by village and gear used,  
as in former years the gasoline launch Marie S. was chartered for patrol duty.

Respectfully,

/by/ Charles McGonagall, Stream Guard.

/by/ C. F. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries

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Catch of salmon for the season of 1935 - Waskokwin River.

	Fathoms <i>Chum</i> nets	Fathoms <i>King</i> nets	Wheels	Families	Dried tons chums	Kings
Popokamute	560	150		14	15	1,400
Pokok	550	50		15	17	1,500
Apokok	360	80		16	10	1,000
Helmik Point	150	60		10	14	600
Bek	400	100		25	27	1,000
Okerbrook	50			2	3	150
Nopogiak	250	100		18	29	1,500
Napaskiak	200	90		16	19	1,100
Lomavik	200	50		8	9	300
Bethel	800	200		40	45	2,500
Quithlook	450	150		36	35	2,000
Akikchok	300	150		26	25	1,500
Kkiak	350	150		26	25	1,400
Bogan Creek	120	80		6	5	250
Tolikeek	250	100		18	16	180
Karlskag	100		9	12	10	1,000
Ohagamute	30		3	2	3	100
Crow Village			3	4	4	100
Anniak			10	15	14	1,300
Napiamute	150		7	12	11	500
Russian M.			2	2	2	150
Horn Village			6	6	5	300
Crooked Creek			7	12	11	600
D. Parent	50	50	3		6	300
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5,260</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>22,930</b>

Commercial fishing for export.

	Fathoms king nets.	Hard salt kings.	Hard salt reds.	Kings
<u>Davis Fishing Company.</u>	630	257- 400# Bbls.	3- 400# Bbls.	6,498
<u>Robert Cherke.</u>	60	12- 800# tierces.		350
" "		Bought from natives		370
				<u>720</u>

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Sether Davis Fishing Company - Kuskokwim River, 1935.

	Kings	Reds	Chums
June 5	98		
June 6	356		
June 7	112		2
June 8	59		1
June 9			3
June 10	123	5	
June 11	231	21	2
June 12	189	8	10
June 13	898	37	5
June 14	924		10
June 15	290		8
June 16		5	3
June 17	186		
June 18	682	2	
June 19	332	24	8
June 20	462	17	11
June 21	515	16	6
June 22	115	12	15
June 23			
June 24	325	8	
June 25	87		10
June 26	103	5	6
June 27	186	4	4
June 28	98	25	14
June 29	127	3	9
		5	2
	6,498	197	129

Sether Davis Fishing Company - Kuskokwim River, 1935

- 1- Foreman
- 8- Fishermen
- 1- Salter
- 1- Cooper
- 1- Transporter
- 4- Slimers
- 2- Native slimers
- 1- Cook

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Fairbenks, Alaska.  
October, 12, 1934

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Enclosed herewith please find annual report of the fisheries  
for the Yukon River.

Respectfully,

Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

Washington Office.

Alaska Reindeer Company, Saltery located at head of Kwiklokehun Channel.

2-	Pickup launches
7-	Dories.
1-	Transporter.
2-	Scows.
24-	Nets. 8- $\frac{1}{2}$ in. mesh - 1,200 fathoms
	Locations shown on marked chart.
1-	Splitter. (White man)
1-	Salter. (White man)
1-	Cooper. (White man)
19-	Slimers. (Natives)
1-	Manager. (White man)
288-	800 # Tierces mild cure kings.
66-	200 # Bbls., hard salt kings
13,387-	Kings.
4,373-	Kings purchased from Indt. fishermen.

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Chris. Laureisen Saltery located at Ageklarok - tin-can-point.

- 1- Power launch.
- 1- Dario
- 2- Nets. 8- $\frac{1}{2}$  in. mesh- 35- fathoms each.  
Did all his own work.
- 12- 800  $\frac{1}{2}$  Tierces wild cure kings.
- 609- Kings.

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Frank Kern, Saltery located on small Barge in Kwiklokehun Channel.

- 1- Pickup launch.
- 6- Dories.
- 2- Transporters.
- 12- Fishermen. (Natives)
- 12- Nets. 8- $\frac{1}{2}$  in mesh- 600 fathoms.  
Locations shown on marked chart.
- 1- Splitter. (Native)
- 1- Salter. (Native)
- 8- Slimers. (Natives)
- 1- Foreman. (White man)
- 4,632- Kings.
- 72- Tierces, 800  $\phi$  each mild cure kings.
- 24- Ebls., 200  $\phi$  each hard salt kings.

Frank Kern- Cannery located in Kwiguk Slough at Kwiguk.

- 2- Power dories.
- 3- Fish wheels. located in Kwiguk Slough.
- 6- Natives in Hand Cannery and on cutting raft.
- 2,364- Kings.
- 4,000- Chums.
- 19- 200  $\phi$  Ebls., hard salted king bellies.
- 1- 200  $\phi$  Ebl., Chum bellies.
- 144- Cases 1  $\phi$  cans Kings.
- 20- Cases 1  $\phi$  cans smoked Kings.
- 3- Tons dried chums for dog feed.  
All caught in Kwiguk Slough

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Run & escapement - 5 - A.

This season the kings were several days late in coming into the river, ice conditions at the mouth was no doubt the reason, from June, 5th. to June, 13th. the catches were light, from June, 14th. there was considerable increase up to the time the Salteries were compelled to close down for lack of tierces and salt, the best catches were made on June, 29th. from observations made at Kwiguk I believe the peak of the run was from June, 29th. to July, 7th. All salmon caught came into the river by the Kutaukauk and Archaron Channels.

The chum run came into the river at the same time the kings did, very little fishing was done for chums until after the Salteries closed as practically all the Natives were at the Salteries working, at Kwiguk and Sun-shine-bay the peak of the run was from June, 28th. to July, 10th, the second run came into the river on July, 29th, and was exceptionally heavy at the mouth and as far up the river as Pilot Station, there is no doubt but what the catch from Pilot Station to Tanana was the lightest in years, with the exception of a few camps and here are the reasons for the light catch, when the first run was on very few of the fish wheels were in the river, practically every Native was in their Village celebrating or as they call it Pot-latching, when they did get their wheels in the river there was high water and plenty of drift wood running and the wheels were stalled with drift wood most of the time, at several of the best locations sand bars had formed below the wheel sites and they were turning over, it is next to impossible to get a Native to move his wheel from where his ancestors fished. all of these things are governed by the medicine men, if he tells them the fish are coming into the river at a certain time and place, that is the time and place they are going and nothing will change them.

At Ruby Alex Brown who has always had the best catches along the river told me he was convinced the fish were in the river, but had followed the deep water out too far for the wheels to catch them.

5- 8- Seasonal history.

Left Nenana with the Launch Coot on May 23, en-route to the mouth of the Yukon River, upon arrival stream markers were put out defining the mouth, one at Nylak on the right limit and the other at Agaklarok- Tin-can-point, during the time the fishermen had their nets out a regular patrol was carried on, there were no violations of the Fishery Laws, but on the morning of June, 5th. a small argument arose between Frak Kern and the Northern Commercial Company's foreman over locations and the time the nets went into the water. The Northern Commercial Co's natives got excited and put their nets in before 6- A.M. This was enough to start an argument as there has always been bad blood between these two outfits. after about one hour of wrangling the nets were placed to the satisfaction of everyone concerned.

The Launch Coot was the only boat used for patrol duty on the Yukon, Steam Guard C. B. Rigsby acted as Engineer and Assistant on the Coot at a salary of \$5.00 per day and a per diem of \$4.00 per day, less .80 per day for lodging while aboard the Coot, started work on May, 15th. services terminated on September 11th. Charles Mc.Gonagall acted as Steam Guard on the Kuskokwim River at a salary of \$5.00 per day and a per diem of \$4.00 per day less .60 per day for lodging while aboard Launch Coot and Marie S. started work on April, 29th. services terminated September, 27th.

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#### F- Salteries.

There were four Salteries operating, all putting up mild cure kings, the small and broken up kings were hard salted. The Northern Commercial Company, Frank Kern and Chris. Lauredsen had holes dug in the Tundra last fall which were covered with pees and moss during the winter the high tides filled these with water which froze solid, as soon a tierces was filled with fish they were rolled into these dug-outs which kept them at nearly the freezing point until ready for shipment.

The Alaska Reindeer Company planned to use a Cold Storage Barge, but owing to trouble with their Tug Meteor the Barge did not arrive until they had quit fishing, consequently their pack was on the Tundra exposed to the sun and warm weather until July, 14th. from reports we have had in here their pack arrived in Seattle in bad shape, which no doubt was caused from lack of Cold Storage facilities.

Owing to the Longshoremens strike on the Pacific coast this spring all four of these out-fits were short of tierces and salt, which was the cause of the short pack and not from lack of fish.

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A. 10- Condition of whites and natives on lower Yukon.

A fair estimate of the earnings of the natives at the Northern Commercial Co's Saltery and for the fishermen would be \$125.00 for the season, the agreement at the beginning of the season was that they would receive \$5.00 per day and .80 each for large kings and .60 for the small ones, as near as I could find out the \$5.00 per day was not paid, they were just paid for the fish they caught. \$4.00 per day was the wage paid at the Saltery.

The Alaska Reindeer Co. used all white fishermen furnishing all gear and food, to these men they paid .80 each for large kings and .60 for small ones. This Company paid Indt., fishermen \$1.00 each for large kings and .80 for small ones delivered at the Saltery.

B. Unemployment, if any; cause and effect.

Since the closing of the Cannery at the mouth of the Yukon there has been no work of any kind, except the natives Kern has employed in his band Cannery, the only means of making a livelihood is trapping, it would be hard to find a more poverty stricken people than is on the Tundra at the mouth of the Yukon River, the few dollars they picked up this summer was the first real money they have had since the Cannery left.

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Fairbanks, Alaska,  
October, 22, 1934.

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Seasons report of the Fisheries on the Kuskokwim River, 1934 by  
Charles Mc. Gonagall, Stream Guard.

Left Launch Coot at Russian Mission on May, 29th. proceeded across  
the Portage to Bethel with the Bureau's canoe and out-board motor, arrived at  
Bethel on June, 2nd. found extremely low water in the lakes and creeks crossing  
the Portage, from the mouth of Mt Creek to Bethel the river was deserted, all  
natives and whites were out on the tundra hunting musk-rats.

There was no commercial fishing for export on the Kuskokwim this  
summer, Waechter Bros., fished on the Yukon and none of the other out-fits from  
the states showed up, there were several of the local inhabitants that had intended  
to mild cure and hard salt for export on a small scale, but the Steamer from  
Seattle having aboard salt, tierces and Ebls., was over thirty days late arriving  
at Bethel, as the best of the king run was over all of the tierces and salt was  
stored until next season.

Conditions were ideal for fishing at the mouth this summer as very  
few storms were on during the runs, especially the king run.

Both natives and whites had their catches in their fish houses  
by the middle of July.

The first kings were caught on May, 24th. the peak of the king  
run was from June, 15th. to June, 20th. But the run from June, 7th. to July, 10th.  
as a whole was heavier than any in the past eight years.

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The chum and red runs started on June, 9th. and continued through to July, 25th. the peak of the runs of both chums and reds was from June, 20th. to July, 1st. The silver run came into the river on July, 28th. very few being caught as everyone had all of the fish they needed, prices being paid for dried dog fish was 9 & 10 ¢ per ¢ with practically no market, nearly all mail will be carried by airplane this winter, several new contracts having been let this past summer for routes that had formally been carried by dogs.

The condition of the natives on the Kuskokwim River this spring was good, last winter the Government allotted \$3,000.00 of C.W.A. funds of which over two thirds went to natives for work, also their fur catch was above the average last winter. There was around 370- tons of dried fish put up this summer which will leave everyone well provided with fish for the winter.

Left Samuelsons on August, 16th. with canoe and out-board motor for the Yukon River, arrived at Marshall, August, 20th. where I boarded the Launch Coot en-route to Fairbanks.

Respectfully,  
/by/ Charles McGonagall,  
Stream Guard.

/signed by/ Calvin F. Townsend,  
Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

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Fairbanks Alaska December 4 - 1934

A Brief Summary of the Fishing Activities on the  
Kuskokwim River for the Season of 1934

Stations.	Fathoms Net 5.†.	Fathoms Net 8.†.	Fish Wheels.	Families	Dry Fish Tons	Kings
Popokamute	5.00.	2.50.		10.	10.	10.00.
Pokok	7.50.	4.00.		15.	20.	15.00.
Apokok.	8.00.	4.00.		16.	25.	10.00.
Hilmik Pt.	5.00.	2.50.		10.	15.0	10.50.
Johnsens	40.	25.		2.	3.	2.00.
Lomavik.	1.50.	80.		8.	10.	66.00.
Napogiak.	3.50.	1.50.		18.	21.	111.00.
Napaskiak.	3.50.	1.75.		18.	20.	106.00.
Bethel.	8.00.	5.00.		40.	45.	20.00.
Quithlook.	7.00.	3.00.		36.	40.	12.00.
Akiakchuk.	5.50.	2.60.		26.	30.	15.00.
Akiak.	5.50.	2.00.		26.	30.	9.00.
Toliksak.	3.60.	1.50.		18.	20.	33.00.
Bogus Cr.	1.20.	60.		6.	7.	5.00.
Karlakag.	2.50.		8.	12.	14.	6.00.
Chagamute.	40.		3.	4.	5.	1.00.
Crow Village.	50.		3.	5.	7.	5.00.
Anniak.	1.30.		8.	13.	15.	10.00.
R.Mission.			3.	4.	5.	5.00.
Napimute.	1.00.†		7.	12.	15.	12.00.
Norv Village.			4.	6.	8.	6.50.
Crooked Cr.	1.20.		9.	12.	15.	12.00.
D.Parent.	1.20.	.50.	2.	1.	8.	12.00.
White Trader.						
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Totals.	7.330.	3.250.	47.	3.18.	3.88.	20.800.

Would say that about 90 tons of chum and 6,500. kings were taken  
by Fish wheel.

Stream Guard.

/s/ Charles McGonagall

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Fairbanks, Alaska, October, 1933

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Annual report 1933 for Yukon & Tanana river

The Coct was launched from the Government ways at Nenana on May, 18, before launching the Coct's motor was given a thorough overhauling, left Nenana for the mouth of the Yukon River on May, 23, the water in the Tanana river was at the lowest stage I have ever seen it at this time of the year, a very light fall of snow all over the interior of Alaska accounted for it, it was also the reason for the late breakup in the Yukon River, on May, 28, we caught up with the ice at the upper end of Shageluk Slough and had to lay up for the river to clear, upon arrival at Hamilton on June, 3, found the ice had just cleared out of the river there the day before, after the ice left the river it piled up off the different mouths, as there was no tides or wind to break it up, it layed there until June, 16, on June, 14, 25 kings were caught, but they were badly bruised and cut up by the ice, the big run of kings started on June, 17, and continued through the month, this was the latest for kings to come into the river ever known down there,

The chum run started on June, 30, which was about ten days late, the catches at Kwiguk, Sun-shine bay and Acoularak camps was exceptionally heavy and up river as far as Mountain Village, but from Mountain Village up river the catch was the lightest they have had in years, the water in the Yukon was at a very low stage during the months of June and July, which might account for the light catch above tide water, as no doubt the fish were out in the channel to far for the wheels to catch them.

Frank Kern and Chris, Lauredson were the only ones that fished for export this season, all of their catches were made with gill nets, the kings averaged up larger than last season, they run from 47 to 50 to the 800 \$ tierce, any sides that were not suitable for mild curing were hard salted and shipped to Seattle with his mild cure pack. Kerns catch out side the mouth was 8,358 -- Lauredsons catch was 471 - Total catch 8,829

There was over one hundred and twenty five tons of dried dog feed carried over from last season by traders and natives, from reports received since returning to Fairbanks the September run was fairly good which will provide plenty of fish for every ones needs along the Yukon and Tanana Rivers.

Left Hamilton on return trip to Fairbanks on July, 29, arrived at Nenana on August 15, the Coot was pulled out of the water on August, 19, during the season 3,470 miles were covered, the early return to Nenana was fortunate as three days after we came into the Tanana River the water fell nearly two feet and remained at that level until the middle of September, if we had not got into the river when we did it would have been necessary to tie up at Tanana for thirt days or more waiting for the water to raise.

Upon arrival at Nenana found the Alaska Railroad had put in another set of timbers on the Bureaus ways and also had built a cradle, there was no trouble what ever in pulling the Coot out of the water and am sure we will no have any trouble in launching and pulling out in the future.

Charles Mc.Gonagall was employed as Stream Guard for the Kuskokwim River, Herbert Lawrence acted as engineer and assistant on the Coot, to cut down expenses Lawrence was layed off at Anvik on August, 3, he will remain there during the w inter.

From all indications the fur catch should be good this winter, as grouse, Ptarmigan and rabbits were plentiful all along both the Yukon and Tanana Rivers.

Respectfully,  
 Calvin F. Townsend  
 /by/ Inspector, Alaska Fisheries.

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CATCH OF SALMON ON THE YUKON RIVER FOR 1933

Krikluak Mouth.

Frank Kern, Kwiguk Slough.

2- Wheels.  
 2- Dories.  
 1- Launch.  
 9- Men. (All natives)  
 2,600 Kings.  
 4- Tons. Dried chums.  
 20- Cases. Smoked king strips. 2-# cans.  
 100- " Kings. 2-# cans.  
 10- " Kings. smoked and sliced. 2-# cans.  
 3,000 # King bellies.  
 1,400 # Chum bellies.

Frank Kern, Out side of mouth, for export.

11- Fishermen- (all natives)  
 19- Shoremen- (all natives)  
 1- Shoreman- (white man)  
 500- Fathoms King nets.  
 2- Launches.  
 5- Skiffs.  
 1- Scow.  
 123-800 # Tierces mild cure kings.  
 72- 200 # Bbls. Hard salted sides.

Pete Jorgenson - Kwiguk Slough.

1- Wheel.  
 700- Kings.  
 5- Tons. Dried chums.

Andy Olsen - Kwiguk Slough - (Since deceased)

2- Wheels.  
 30- Fathoms. King nets.  
 400- Kings.  
 6- Tons. Dried chums.  
 4- Men. (natives)

N.L. Holmgren - Sun Shine Bay

50- Fathoms. King nets.  
 50- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
 700- Kings  
 6- Tons. Dried chums.  
 800- # King bellies hard salted.  
 6- Cases. Smoked kings - 1 - # cans.  
 10- " Smoked kings - 1/2 # cans.

Acoularak Mission - Head of Sun shine bay.

3- Wheels.  
 5,000 Kings.  
 12- Tons. Dried chums.

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Natives In Kvikluak & Kviguk Mouths.

20- Families.  
80- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
5- Wheels.  
70- Fathoms King nets  
30- Tons. Dried chums.  
1,000 Kings.

John Johansen - Bugomavik Slough.

8- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
100- Kings.  
2- Tons. Dried chums.

Natives in New Hamilton Slough.

6- Families.  
2- Wheels.  
15- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
600- Kings.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

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John Prince - Aparoka Pass.

1- Wheel.  
250- Kings.  
3- Tons Dried chums.

Natives at Aproka Pass.

5- Native families.  
1- Wheel.  
30- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
400- Kings.  
50 Tons. Dried chums.

Kowanik channel.

6- Native families.  
2- Wheels.  
40- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
20- Fathoms. King nets.  
200- Kings.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Old Hamilton.

7- Native families.  
30- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
10- Fathoms. King nets.  
200- Kings.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Bill Moores.

5- Native families.  
25- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Keechucks.

5- Native families.  
4- Wheels.  
40- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
40- Fathoms King nets.  
600- Kings.  
8- Tons. Dried chums.

Mountain Village.

16- Native families.  
12- Wheels.  
40- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
500- Kings.  
20- Tons Dried chums.

Pitka Point - Mouth of Andreafsky River.

5- Native families.  
30- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
150 Kings.  
8- Tons. Dried chums.

Pilot Station

9- Native families  
5- Wheels. (continued)

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Pilot Station - continued

- 60- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 100- Kings
- 8- Tons Dried chums.

Marshall.

- 8- Native families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 50-Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 400- Kings.
- 7- Tons. Dried chums.

Inhagamute.

- 7- Native families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 60- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 200- Kings.
- 7- Tons. Dried chums.

Okagamute.

- 8- Native families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 50- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 250- Kings.
- 6- Tons. Dried chums.

Russian Mission.

- 7- Native families.
- 45- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 5- Tons. Dried chums.

Piamute.

- 13- Native families.
- 11- Wheels.
- 35- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 800- Kings.
- 7- Tons. Dried chums.

Holy Cross.

- 12- Native families.
- 6- Wheels.
- 100- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 600- Kings.
- 12- Tons. Dried chums.

James Walker - Holy Cross.

- 1- Wheels.
- 5- Tons. Dried chums.

Bonafella.

- 6- Native families.
- 9- Wheels.
- 20- Fathoms. Chum nets.
- 5- Tons. Dried chums.

Anvik.

- 15- Native families.
- 13- Wheels.
- 30- Fathoms. Chum nets. (continued)

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Anvik - (continued)

250- Kings.  
12- Tons. Dried chums.

8-Mile Island.

6- Native families.  
4- Wheels.  
35- Fathoms. Chum Nets.  
150- Kings.  
7- Tons. Dried Chums.

Ed Robinson.

1- Wheel.  
5- Tons. Dried chums.

Halls Rapids.

9- Native families.  
8- Wheels.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

William Thurman. - Blackburn.

1- Wheels.  
4- Tons. Dried chums.

Jimmy Woods.

1- Wheel.  
1- Ton. Dried chums.

Kaltag.

20- Native families.  
18- Wheels.  
40- Fathoms. Chum nets.  
400- Kings.  
22- Tons. Dried chums.

Half Way.

8- Native families.  
8- Wheels.  
500- Kings.  
10- Tons. Dried chums.

Nulato.

17- Native families.  
17- Wheels.  
400- Kings.  
15- Tons. Dried chums.

Kuyukuk.

16- Native families.  
16- Wheels.  
600- Kings.  
90 Tons Dried chums.

Bishop Mountain.

3- Native families.  
3- Wheels.  
100- Kings.  
400 Tons. Dried chums.

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Merry Widow Bend.

- 2- Native families.
- 2- Wheels.
- 4- Tons. Dried chums.

Louden.

- 8- Native families.
- 8- Wheels.
- 6- Tons. Dried chums.

Whiskey Creek.

- 2- Wheels.
- 100- Kings.
- 1- Ton. Dried chums.

Camps between Whiskey Creek and Ruby.

- 15- Native families.
- 14- Wheels.
- 800- Kings.
- 20- Tons. Dried chums.

Ruby.- Red Allen.

- 2- Wheels.
- 5- Tons. Dried chums.

Andy Mc.Donald. - Ruby

- 2- Wheels.
- 40 Tons. Dried chums.

Alex Brown. - Ruby.

- 4- Wheels.
- 14- Tons. Dried chums.

Ruby to Kokrines.

- 7- Native families.
- 6- Wheels.
- 10- Tons. Dried chums.

John Swenson. - Palasades.

- 2- Wheels.
- 4- Tons. Dried chums.

Griders.

- 7- Native families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 6- Tons. Dried chums.

Robsons.

- 4- Wheels.
- 300- Kings.
- 8- Tons. Dried chums.

Tanana

- 5- Native families
- 3- Wheels
- 200- Kings.
- 4- Tons. Dried chums.

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Tanana to Nenana

20- Native families.  
 18- Wheels.  
 200- Kings.  
 17- Tons. Dried chums.

Totals.

Wheels.	King nets.	Chum nets.	Kings	Dried chums	Silvers
242	720-Fathoms	913 Fathoms	19,950	433- Tons.	

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Fairbanks, Alaska, October, 19, 1933.

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Annual report 1933 for the Kuskokwim River.

Left Launch Coot at the mouth of Portage Slough on June, 1st. en-route to Bethel on the Kuskokwim River, had considerable trouble with ice in the lakes crossing the Portage, arrived at Bethel on June, 4th.

Upon arrival at Bethel learned the The Harris Bros., had wired in and engaged fishermen for the season, also that the Waechter Bros., had written in and engaged their fishermen, no word was received from either of them until the last of June when wires came saying that neither one of them were coming, but that they intended to come back for the 1934 season.

The Launch Marie S. was chartered from Oscar Samuelson for patrol work @ \$ 8.50 per day with oils furnished, it was used for 31- days.

Left Bethel July, 29th. on return trip to the Yukon, boarded the Launch Coot at the mouth of Portage Slough on August, 1st. arrived at Nuiyana on August, 15th.

There were no real runs of salmon of any kind during the fifty four days I was there, the first salmon to come into the river was on June, 14th. and at no time were there any catches of any consequence. the best catches were made with drift nets during the night, there was no rain during June and July and river was clear, which no doubt accounted for the gill nets and wheels not making any catches.

Most of the traders and natives carried dried fish over from last

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season, with a catch of 282- tons and what will be caught from the September run there will be plenty of dog feed and food for the natives for the winter.

Follows a list of native families from Apokok to Toliksak with number of fathoms used, tons of dried fish, and number of kings caught.

286- Families from Apokok to Toliksak.

2,060- Fathoms king nets.

5,570- Fathoms chum nets.

6,290-Kings.

282- Tons dried chums.

Respectfully,

/s/ Charles M. Conagall,  
Stream Guard.

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Fairbanks, Alaska, October, 24, 1932

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Seasons report for 1932 - Yukon and Tanana Rivers

The Coot was launched from the Government ways at Nenana on May, 8th. left Nenana for the mouth of the Yukon River on May, 18th. Ragner Dahl was employed as stream guard for the Yukon River. Charles Mc.Gonagall went to the Kuskokwim where he did patrol duty with the Launch Marie S. during the season, returning to the Yukon on August, 22nd. while coming across the Portage he had the misfortune to break a shaft on his out-board motor, making it necessary to row nearly the whole distance. Mc.Gonagall returned from head of Portage Slough to Nenana on the Launch Coot. Dahl returned to Seattle from Nenana. The Coot was pulled out of the water at Nenana on September, 30th. and put in winter quarters.

The first kings were caught at Bugomavik Slough on May, 29th. a good run was on from June, 3rd. to June, 6th. when it slacked off until June, 9th. from then until July, 10th. the run was continuous.

The Chum run started early in June and was without exception the best ever known on the Yukon, the catches were double of last season, traders were buying very few dried fish on account of there being no market for them, which will mean the Natives will be well supplied with dog feed and food for themselves this winter.

Conditions among the Natives this spring was the worst I have ever seen on the lower Yukon, last December there were two extreme high tides (called by some tidal waves) which covered nearly all the tundra from Point Romanoff to Cape Newenham, Natives lost most of their winters supply of fish and in many instances lost their kayaks and sailboats, then to add to their misfortunes the catch of all kings

Yukon and Tanana report for 1932.

of fur, except mink was next to nothing, the prices paid for mink ranged from \$2.00 to \$3.00 flour is selling for \$71.00 per hundred on the lower Yukon and as high as \$9.00 and \$10.00 out on the Tundra, sugar sells at \$14.00 per hundred at the mouth of the Yukon and as high as \$16.00 per hundred on the Tundra.

The open season of fifteen days for commercial fishing gave quite a few Natives employment and I noticed that most of their earnings were spent for flour and tea, which most of them had been without during the winter.

Frank Kern and Chris. Lauredson were the only ones that put up fish for the outside market.

Kern as in former years dug a hole in the Tundra last fall and let it fill with water, which froze solid during the winter, this spring he roofed it over with logs and then covered with moss, as soon as a tierce was filled it was felled into the dug-out and left until the season closed, on June, 15th. the bottom of the hole was covered with ice, which made an ideal cold storage, Kerns pack was 76- 800  $\frac{1}{2}$  tierces of mild cure kinds which were shipped to Seattle on the S.S. Victoria the later part of June, he employed all Native help with the exception of one white man, all fish were caught in gill nets, four boats with two men to the boat, one boat was located on Flat Island in the Kwikluak Chanell and three in the Acharon Chanell, all small fish were given to Natives camped around the Saltery, they also took most of the heads and backbones from the kings, fishing started on June 1st, and closed on June 30th. at 6-P.M. Total catch of kings 4,412

Chris. Lauredson was located at Chris's Point in the Acharon Chanell, he built a small lean-to for his cold storage which was covered with moss. His pack was 7- 800  $\frac{1}{2}$  tierces of mild cure kings, 6- tierces were shipped to Seattle, the other tierce he kept and mild smoked for the local market, Lauredson did not employ any help. Total catch 327 Kings.

Respectfully,

/s/ Calvin E. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Service

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Jehany Prince - Apraka Pass.

- 1- Wheel.
- 200- Klags.
- 4- Tons. Dried Chums.

Hill Moeres - Apoon Mouth.

- 5- Native families.
- 25- Fath. Chum nets.
- 8- Tons. Dried chums.

Old Hamilton - Apoon mouth.

- 7- Native families.
- 15- Fath. Chum nets.
- 8- Tons. Dried chums.

Kawanik Mouth.

- 6- Native families.
- 40- Fath. Chum nets.
- 20- Fath. Klug nets.
- 500- Klags.
- 7- Tons. Dried chums.

Koeshucks.

- 50- Native families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 40- Fath. Chum Nets.
- 40- Fath. Klug nets.
- 300- Klags.
- 7- Tons. Dried chums.

Mountain Village.

- 16- Native families.
- 11- Wheels.
- 40- Fath. Chum nets.
- 300- Klags.
- 22- Tons. Dried chums.

Pahn Point - Mouth of Androfsky River.

- 30- Native families.
- 10- Fath. Chum nets.
- 300- Klags.
- 12- Tons Dried chums.

Pilot Station.

- 9- Native families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 60- Fath. Chum nets.
- 600- Klags.
- 13- Tons. Dried chums.

Marshall.

- 8- Native families.
- 4- Wheels.
- 40- Fath. Chum nets.
- 400- Klags.
- 10- Tons. Dried chums.

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Inhagawato.

- 7- Native families.
- 2- Wheels.
- 60- Fath. Chum nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 11- Tons. Dried chums.

Gingawato.

- 8- Native families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 50- Fath. Chum nets.
- 700- Kings.
- 13- Tons. Dried chums.

Russian Mission.

- 7- Native families.
- 45- Fath. Chum nets.
- 900- Kings.
- 13- Tons. Dried chums.

Pisawto.

- 13- Native families.
- 12- Wheels.
- 30- Fath. Chum nets.
- 1,500 Kings.
- 15- Tons. Dried chums.

Holy Cross.

- 12- Native families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 100-Fath. Chum nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 22- Tons - Dried Chums.

James Walker - Holy Cross.

- 1- Wheel.
- 10- Tons. Dried chums.

Bonassella.

- 6- Native families.
- 90 Wheels.
- 20- Fath. Chum nets.
- 35- Tons. Dried chums.

Arvik.

- 15- Native families.
- 13- Wheels.
- 30- Fath. Chum nets.
- 200- Kings.
- 40- Tons Dried chums.

6-Mile Island

- 6- Native families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 30-Fath. Chum nets.
- 400- Kings.
- 17- Tons. Dried chums.

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Ed. Robinson  
1- Wheel.  
7-Tons Dried chums.

Halls Rapids.  
9- Native families.  
8- Wheels.  
7 1/2 Tons. Dried chums.

William Thurman, Blackburn.  
1- Wheel.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Jimmy Woods.  
1- Wheel.  
3- Tons. Dried chums.

Kaltag.  
20- Native families.  
19- Wheels.  
40- Fath. Chum nets.  
30- Tons. Dried chums.

Half Way.  
8- Native families.  
8- Wheels.  
700- Kings.  
14- Tons. Dried chums.

Salts.  
17- Native families.  
17- Wheels.  
800- Kings.  
40- Tons. Dried chums.

Myukuk.  
16- Native families.  
16- Wheels.  
900- Kings.  
15- Tons. Dried chums.

Bishop Mountain.  
3- Native families.  
3- Wheels.  
400- Kings.  
60 Tons Dried chums.

Harry Widow Fund.  
2- Native families.  
2- Wheels.  
4- Tons. Dried chums.

Lambert.  
8- Native families.  
8- Wheels.  
9- Tons. Dried chums.

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Whiskey Creek.

2- Wheels.  
300- Kings.  
5- Tons Dried chums.

Camps between Whiskey Creek and Ruby.

16- Native families.  
16- Wheels.  
1,100 Kings.  
50- Tons. Dried chums.

Ruby.

Red Allen.  
2- Wheels.  
12- Tons. Dried chums.

Andy Mc. Donald. Ruby.

2- Wheels.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Alex Brown, Ruby.

4- Wheels.  
25- Tons. Dried Chums.

Ruby to Kekrines.

7- Native families.  
5- Wheels.  
19- Tons. Dried chums.

John Swanson, Palasades.

2- Wheels.  
6- Tons. Dried chums.

Oriders.

5- Native families.  
5- Wheels.  
12- Tons. Dried chums.

Robsons.

4- Wheels.  
800- Kings.  
13- Tons. Dried chums.

Old Sattion.

5- Native families.  
3- Wheels.  
7- Tons. Dried chums.

Tanana.

5- Native families.  
5- Wheels.  
400- Kings.  
10- Tons. Dried chums.

Rupert Baylis.

30- Tons Dried chums.

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- Tanana to Wenana, on Tanana River.
- 17- Native families.  
 15- Wheels.  
 25- Tons. Dried ahmas.

Totals,					
Wheels.	King mts.	Dog mts.	Kings.	Dried ahmas.	Silvers.
231	188-Pkts.	1,000-Pkts.	27,150	713-Tons	
666					

Total catch of Kings that were exported to Seattle.

Frank Kern - Battery located on Middlehouse Island.  
 Kings.  
 4,412

Chris. Lauresson - Battery located at Chris's Point.  
 Kings.  
 327

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Fairbanks, Alaska, November, 14, 1931

Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Washington, D.C.

Seasons report for the Yukon River for 1931.

The Coot was launched May, 19th. from the Alaska Railroad ways at Nenana, May, 21st left Nenana for the mouth of the Yukon. Charles Mc.Gonagall and Herbert Lawrence were employed as Stream Guards for the season. Mc.Gonagall left the Coot at the mouth of Portage Slough and went across the Portage with canoe and out-board motor to the Kuskokwim River where he did Stream Guard duty until September, 1st. Herbert Lawrence remained on the Yukon for the season.

This was a very backward spring, we were in snow storms and blizzards all the way to Holy Cross, from there down the weather cleared up and there was no rain through June, July and part of August, which is unusual for that part of the country, nearly all the dog feed put up this summer was sun cured without any smoke.

From Anvik to the head water of both the Yukon and Tanana rivers it rained continuously during the entire summer, causing both rivers to be at flood stage during most of the time the salmon run was on.

Last season the catch of kings was made in the main south mouth, this season the main run of kings came through Kwiguk Slough, where Kerns, Jacobagaard and Jorgensend and Olsens catch was made with wheels.

A big bunch of mail team dogs were killed off this spring owing to the star mail routes being let to the Airplane Company's which accounts for the price of dried fish being lower than last season.

The first kings were caught at the mouth of May, 31st. the big run started on June, 10th. and continued through to July, 15th.

The dog run started June, 15th. and continued to July, 25th. when it slacked off, started in again on August, 10th. and continued through August.

The September Silver run was next to nothing, this applies to the whole length of the river.

The prevailing price paid for dried fish was 6-¢ per pound in trade with the market over stocked at most of the towns along the river.

Several small out-fits were making plans to mild cure the coming season for export, if the river is opened up, this will be a big thing for the people on the tundra as the fur catch has been getting less every year and the Traders have shut off all credit to the natives.

Respectfully,

/w/

C. F. Townsend  
Inspector, Alaska Service.

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CATCH OF SALMON ON THE YUKON RIVER - 1931

Wrigluak Mouth.

Frank Kern - Wrigluak Slough.

3-	Wheels. (All located in Wrigluak Slough)	
230-	Fathoms dog nets	
2-	Dorries.	
1-	Launch.	
6-	Men.	
2,843-	Kings.	
8-	Tons dried dogs.	
1,000 \$	Smoked strips.	Kings.
25- Cases	Smoked strips. 1- peans.	"
19- "	Mild cure. 1- peans.	"
17- "	" " Slices 1- peans.	"
161-	Canned Kings 1- peans.	"
5,740 \$	Hard salted bellies.	"
4,510 \$	Chum bellied hard salt.	
2,843	Kings caught.	

Jacobszard & Jorgensen - Wrigluak Slough.

1-	Wheel.
2,500	Kings.
12,000	Dogs.
21-Cases	Kings for own use.

Andy Olsen - Wrigluak Slough.

1-	Wheel.
50 Fath.	King net.
1,800	Kings.
12,500	Dogs.
700 \$	King strips.
5,600 \$	Hard salted King bellies.
10- Tons.	Dried dogs.

H.L. Holmgren- Sun Shine Bay.

50-	Fathoms King nets.
50-	Fathoms Dog nets.
700-	Kings.
6- Tons=	Dried dogs.
1,600 \$	Hard salted King bellies.
5- Cases	Sliced smoked Kings. 1-f Cans.
15- "	Sliced smoked Kings. 1/2-f Cans.

Natives in Wrigluak Mouth and Wrigluak Slough.

23-	Families.
90-	Fathoms dog nets.
60-	Fathoms King nets.
30- Tons	Dogs.
700-	Kings.

John Johansen - Aproka Pass.

8-	Fathoms dog nets.
8-	Fathoms King nets.
400-	Kings.
1-	Ton. Dried dogs.

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Yukon River- 1931

Johnny Prince - Aparokh Pass.

- 13- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 3- Tons Dried dogs.

Bill Moore - Apoon Mouth.

- 6- Native Families.
- 40- Fathoms dog nets.
- 6- Tons. Dried dogs.

Old Hamilton - Apoon Mouth.

- 8- Native Families.
- 40- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 6- Tons. Dried dogs.

Kaslova - Yukon River.

- 5- Native Families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 30- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 900- Kings.
- 5- Tons Dried dogs.

Mountain Village.

- 13- Native Families.
- 11- Wheels.
- 40- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 180- Tons. Dried dogs.

Pitka Point, Mouth of Andreofsky River

- 5- Native Families.
- 1- Wheel.
- 30- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 200- Kings.
- 6- Tons. Dried dogs.

Pilot Station.

- 9- Native Families.
- 2- Wheels.
- 98- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 10- Tons. Dried dogs.

Marshall.

- 8- Native Families.
- 3- Wheels.
- 60- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 7- Tons. Dried dogs.

Inhagsmets.

- 7- Native Families.
- 2- Wheels.
- 40- Fathoms Dog nets.
- 400- Kings.
- 5- Tons. Dried dogs.

Onagsmets.



**Managers.**

- 5- Native Families.
- 4- Wheels.
- 40- Pathway Dog nets.
- 600- Kings.
- 7- Tons. Dried dogs.

**Mountain Station.**

- 7- Native Families.
- 1- Wheel.
- 36- Pathway Dog nets.
- 1,000- Kings.
- 10- Tons. Dried dogs.

**Palmer.**

- 13- Native Families.
- 11- Wheels.
- 20- Pathway Dog nets.
- 1,000- Kings.
- 12- Tons. Dried dogs.

**Half Cross.**

- 12- Native Families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 100- Pathway Dog nets.
- 400- Kings.
- 12- Tons. Dried dogs.

**Roanoke Fish Camp.**

- 9- Wheels.
- 20- Pathway Dog nets.
- 30- Tons. Dried dogs.
- 6- Native Families.

**Arvik.**

- 15- Native Families.
- 12- Wheels.
- 30- Pathway Dog nets.
- 100- Kings.
- 30- Tons. Dried dogs.

**8-Mile Island.**

- 7- Native Families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 30- Pathway Dog nets.
- 500- Kings.
- 12- Tons. Dried dogs.

**M. Robinson.**

- 1- Wheel.
- 6- Tons. Dried dogs.

**Halls Rapids.**

- 9- Native Families.
- 8- Wheels.
- 2- Tons. Dried dogs.

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William Throssel - Blackburn.

- 1- Wheel.
- 6- Tons Dried dogs.

Shaw Woods - 6 Miles above Blackburn.

- 1- Wheel.
- 2- Tons. Dried dogs.

KALTAO.

- 20- Native Families.
- 20- Wheels
- 40- Fatboms Dog Nets.
- 20- Tons Dried dogs.

Half Way.

- 8- Native Families.
- 8- Wheels.
- 600- Kings.
- 90- Tons. Dried dogs.

Kalato.

- 18- Native Families.
- 17- Wheels.
- 1,000 Kings.
- 20- Tons. Dried dogs.

Kayakuk Station.

- 17- Native Families.
- 16- Wheels.
- 700- Kings.
- 8- Tons. Dried dogs.

Bishop Mountain.

- 3- Native Families
- 3- Wheels.
- 600- Kings.
- 4- Tons. Dried dogs.

Harry Widow Bend.

- 2- Native Families.
- 2- Wheels.
- 2- Tons. Dried dogs.

Louden.

- 8- Native Families.
- 7- Wheels.
- 3- Tons. Dried dogs.

Whiskey Creek - Ten Durriak.

- 3- Wheels
- 250- Kings.
- 2- Tons. Dried dogs.

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Tukon River -- 1951

Camps between Whiskey Creek and Ruby.

- 17- Native Families.
- 15- Wheels.
- 1,000 Kings.
- 9- Tons. Dried dogs.

Ruby.

- 6- Native Families.
- 7- Wheels.
- 1,2000 Kings.
- 10- Tons. Dried dogs.

Alex Brown - 3 Miles above Ruby.

- 3- Wheels.
- 800- Kings.
- 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  Tons Dried dogs.

Red Allen - 4 Miles above Ruby.

- 2- Wheels.
- 400- Kings.
- 3- Tons. Dried dogs.

Mc.Intees.

- 1- Native Family.
- 1- Wheel.
- 1- Ton. Dried dogs.

Bill Roberts. - Hot Springs.

- 1- Wheel.
- 1- Ton. Dried dogs.

Con Cronin - Palisades.

- 1- Wheel.
- 1- Ton Dried dogs.

Robsons.

- 4- Wheels.
- 6- Tons. Dried dogs.

John Swenson.

- 1- Wheel.
- 2- Tons. Dried dogs.

Tanana.

- 5- Native Families.
- 5- Wheels.
- 300- Kings.
- 4- Tons. Dried dogs.

Tanana to Nenana on the Tanana River.

- 18- Native Families.
- 17- Wheels.
- 7- Tons. Dried dogs.

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14,000 lbs

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St. Mary's Mission. Located head of Sunshine Bay.

1- Wheels.  
5,000 Kings.  
12,000 Dogs.

Totals.

Wheels.	King Nets.	Dog Nets.	Kings.	Dried dogs.	Silvers.
220	148-Fathoms.	1,084 Fathoms	26,697	367-Tons	

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