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## FISH HATCHERY AT BAKER LAKE STOPS WORK FOR WINTER

### COLD WEATHER STOPS WORK ON NEW CONSTRUCTION—WORK STOPPED UNTIL SPRING AND CREW LAID OFF

Foreman Joe Kemmerick of the Baker Lake fish hatchery came into town Thursday with the news that work at the hatchery had been stopped for the winter and all extra men laid off. Only enough men will be retained at the fisheries station to look after the eggs in the hatchery building and care for to property at the lake. Those who will remain at the lake through the winter are Foreman Kemmerick, Cook Sparks, Fish Culturist Noyes and Ernest Mays. These men will keep things moving until the weather moderates in the spring, when the full crew will again be put to work running the station and rebuilding the plant destroyed by fire last summer.

During the severe cold last month Baker Lake was frozen over and work at the sawmill stopped because logs could not be towed across the lake to operate the mill. When the cold snap broke the ice in the lake thawed out, and work was again resumed. Things moved smoothly until the first of the year, when the lake again froze over, and since then the crew has been kept busy trying to find something to do. As the construction work cannot proceed without the mill in steady operation, and as it was uncertain whether the mill could be operated again during the winter, Foreman Kemmerick decided that the best plan would be to stop all work until spring.

The men now at the hatchery will have a considerable job on their hands in about a month, when about two and a half million eggs now being eyed at the lake will have to be

carried out and shipped to the Birdsvievw hatchery, where they will be hatched. These will have to be packed out on horses, with the trail at its worst. However, it is a job that has to be done every year, and the men are already making arrangements for it. It will require about eight trips with the pack train to carry out all the eggs to be sent to Birdsvievw.