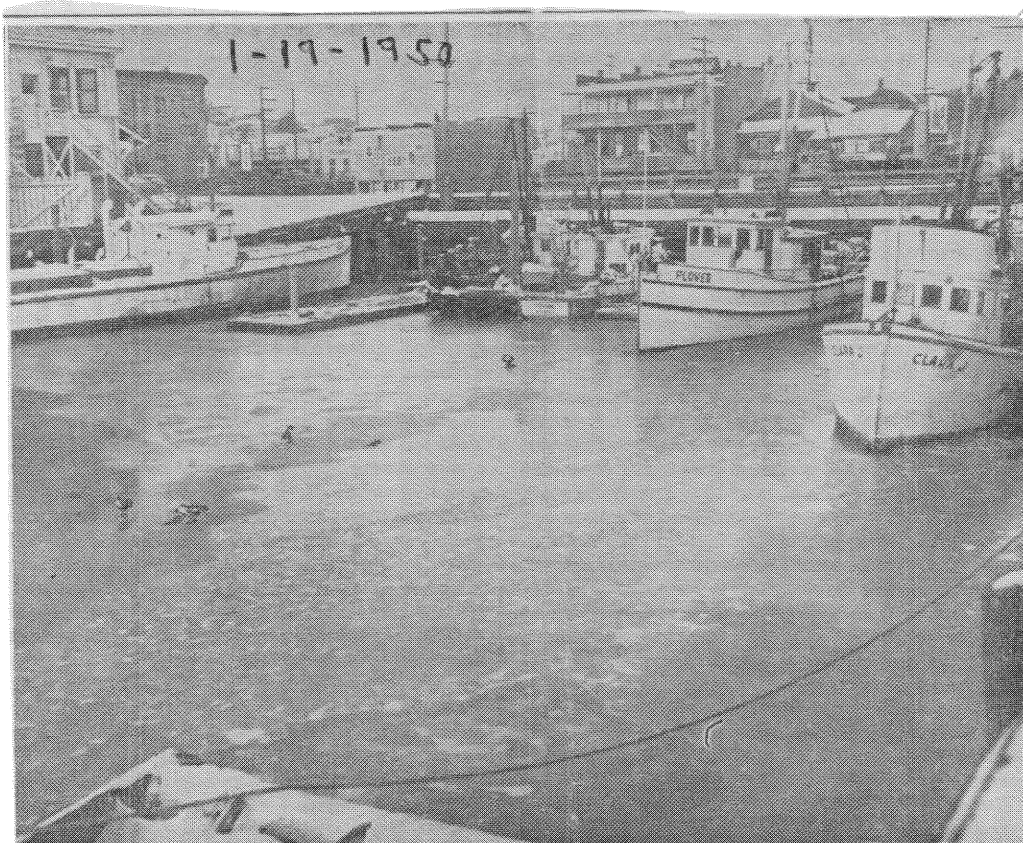
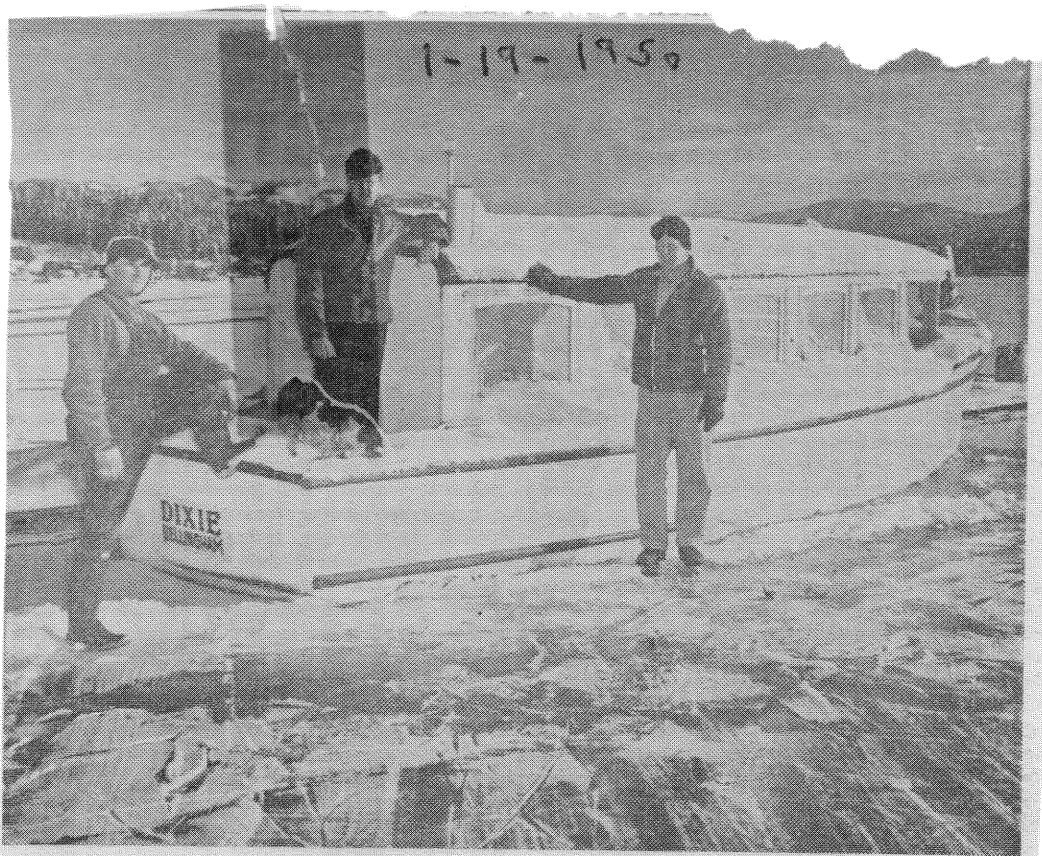


SKATERS' WALTZ—Ice skaters by the dozens were taking advantage of the six inches of ice that covered Lake Whatcom from Silver Beach to Strawberry Point Wednesday. Streaking toward the camera in picture are Frank Mason, left, Bill McGillivray, S. T. McFarland (73 years of age, too!) and Peter Vanderway.



WATERWAY CHOKED WITH ICE—The Bellingham waterway at Quackenbush dock, above, was frozen over Wednesday afternoon for the first time in many years, old timers along the waterfront said. Only living objects enjoying the ice were four seagulls, pictured cavorting atop the frozen sea water. —Herald photos.



ICE LOCKED—Stanley Meyer's 26-foot cruiser, Dixie, is among the many ice-locked boats in lower Lake Whatcom as the ice measures six inches thick. Looking as if they are waiting for a ride are Bert Lady, left, 2813 Flint street, Bob Hanson, 923 Newell street, and Frank Mason, Silver Beach. Temperatures were warming Thursday.