

wharf



A Tradition Carried On

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Victor Ghio, a third generation Santa Cruz fisherman, carries on a tradition of supplying fresh fish to the fish markets on the municipal wharf.

He follows the footsteps of his father and grandfather in nearly a century of fishing in Monterey Bay by an Italian family who emigrated from Genoa.

Daily Ghio boards his Catherine G to pick up yesterday's catch and re-lay his nets for tomorrow. Often a good

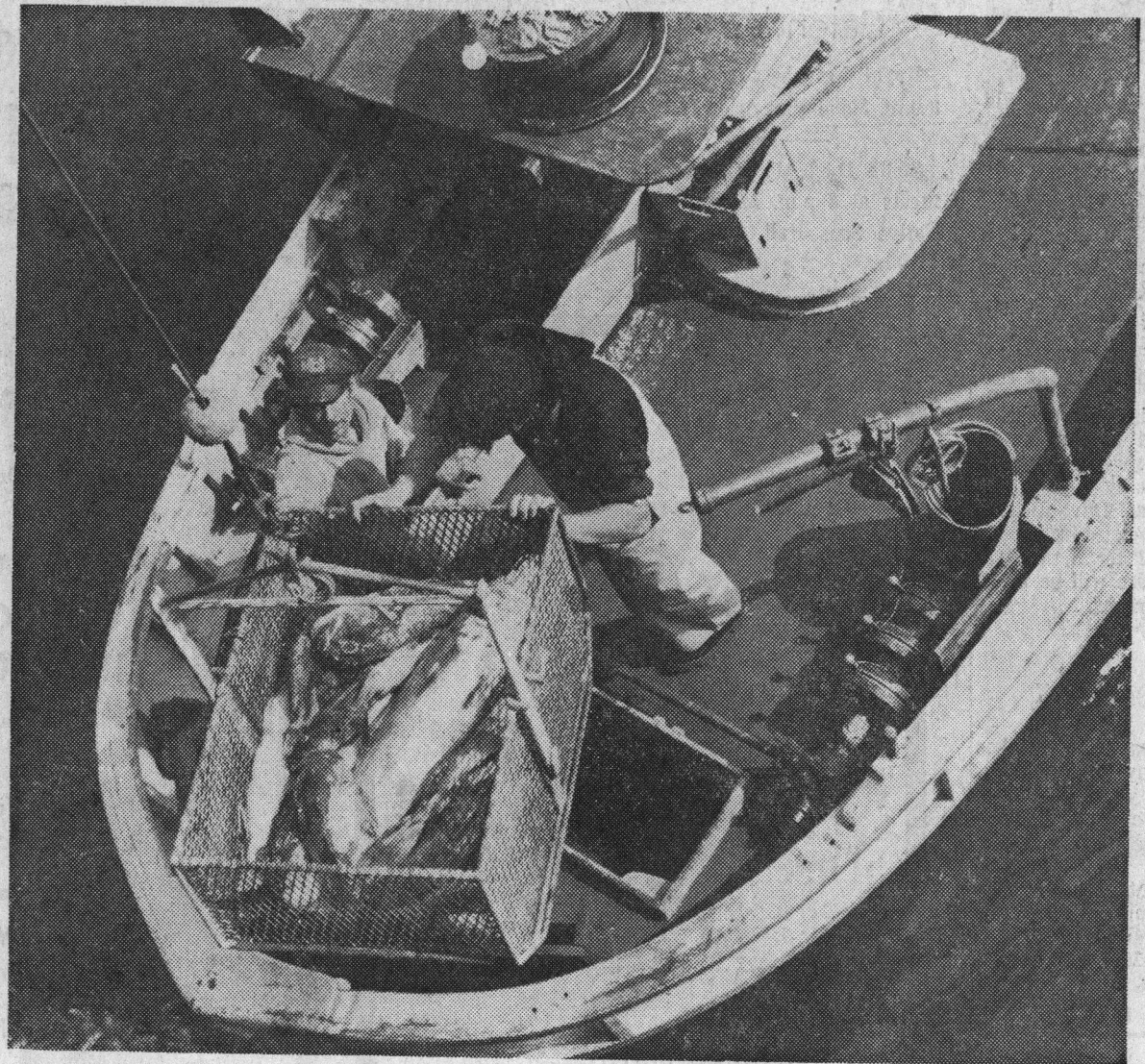
catch falls prey to sea lions or sharks which also habitually rip the fisherman's nets.

Today there are only four local commercial fishermen who supply the wharf year-around.

It's a tough way to make a living. When fishing is good, the market price is low; when the market price is high, stormy seas keep the fishermen in the harbor.

But some men, like Victor Ghio, wouldn't do anything else.





At top left, Victor Ghio sets out for a day's fishing aboard his Catherine G. At bottom left, Ghio and Ken Strong pull aboard the day's catch. At top right, Strong shows Ghio one of the fish they pulled in. At bottom right, the two fishermen have their catch pulled to the top of the municipal wharf, later to be sold in a wharf fish market.

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