

UNIT NUMBER:

RUBY

**AREA OF SERVICE: WESTERN ARCTIC (1914-1915)
KAMCHATKA (1923)**

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Three-masted, bald-headed auxiliary schooner, sheathed in iron bark, with stern covered in 1/2" boilerplate

Construction:

Designer and builder:

Dimensions: Length - 132' Breadth - 34' Depth - 9'

Draft:

Number of passengers: Number of crew:

Plans:

Power: 140 HP San Francisco Standard Gas Engine (installed 1914)

Registered: San Francisco - changed to Seattle in 1914

Speed:

Tonnage: Gross - 345 net-306 Deadweight - 600

HISTORY:

1902 Built in Alameda, California

1914 Chartered by Hudson's Bay Company from contractors Shields & Knaflich, Seattle, to sail with Fort McPherson to open up Western Arctic trade with new Post on Herschel Island

1914, July-September Sailed from Vancouver, with 342 tons of cargo & 110,000' of lumber, was unable to reach Herschel Island because of ice conditions, returned to Teller, Alaska & unloaded cargo.

1914, September-October Sailed from Teller to Seattle

1915, March-July Sailed to Bering Sea with cargo of lumber, then to Teller

1915, July-August Reloaded cargo at Teller, sailed to Herschel Island, then said to have gone on whaling voyage.

1923, May - Chartered for 4 months for Kamchatka voyage from Kuskokwim Fishing & Transportation Co. Ltd., Seattle (Louis Knaflich, President)

MASTERS:

1914 Captain Knaflich, Master

1914 William Mogg, Mate (Correspondence, C.T. Cooper, 1989)

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PHOTOGRAPHS AND DOCUMENTARY ART:

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A.107/5/1 Charter party 1923

MICROFILM REELS:

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