

Fifty Years Ago
February 7, 1918

Immense ice cakes still heap the eastern harbor shore. Some of them bid fair to remain there for many weeks, especially if the weather continues dry for they rear several feet above the water at high tide and are firmly grounded.

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February 21, 1918

... off shore, at the east end of the harbor, some monster cakes were visible. One of these, having three tail peaks, towered fully 20 feet above the surrounding mass. And the waste of ice was thickly studded with logs and other debris. Manta's wharf, formerly 600 feet long is no more than 200 feet long today . . . and Matheson's wharf shortened a couple of hundred or more feet, then going down like a row of ten pins. The Puritan cold storage wharf is said to have sustained bad wrecking and even Railroad pier was in danger of loss. The outer end of Conwell's wharf, with a large store house, fell Saturday or Sunday and the outer end of the Daniel Small wharf, so called, was then stripped of lots of its piling and drooped badly. The B. H. Dyer wharf has been robbed of much of its supporting piling at the outer end where a big storehouse stands and can withstand but little additional ice pressure. All wharves have suffered injury and it is unlikely that most of them will be rebuilt.

Icecakes in the Harbor - 1905 - Showing Long Point on right and Railroad Wharf. Also Town Hall, Town Hill & Center Meth. Church.

