

1932 MENHADEN FISH FACTORY

TAFT BEACH - WHITESTONE, VIRGINIA

The Taft Beach Fish Factory was located on a low lying sandy beach on the beautiful Rappahannock River near Whitestone, Virginia.

This factory was a full facility plant built of wood frame construction with board and batten exterior. It had five vessels to supply it with fish and was manned and managed by local people from the Whitestone and nearby areas. It operated during the warm weather months from late April until early October.

It was a well designed steam powered plant, built in the shape of a "U" with the manufacturing process so laid out that the raw fish were introduced at one end of the "U", emerging as finished product (oil and meal) at the other end of the "U".

This plant also had its own company owned store for day to day supplies and guest accommodations for overnight visitors.

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Painting No. 6 of 7 titled "1932 MENHADEN FISH FACTORY" - An active and productive plant processing raw menhaden into fish meal and oil.

NOTE: The history of this operation is in two parts and should be viewed together.
Part No. 1 consists of a written history
Part No. 2 (7) paintings by Casey Holtzinger

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