

Neither Side Makes Net Gain As 'Fish War' Enters 2nd Year

By GLENNE CURRIE
UPI Staff Writer
LONDON (UPI) — The "fish war" between Britain and Iceland is now in its second year, with neither side having made either territorial or diplomatic gains.

The dispute — over Iceland's unilateral extension of fishing rights to 12 miles from her shores — shows no sign of a solution before next March's international convention of the law of the sea, and possibly not even then.

Everybody concerned is heartily sick of it — with the possible exception of the British navy — and would willingly come to some

sort of agreement which would save face for both sides. But the two sides are so far apart it will need a spectacular "breakthrough" to settle things.

Iceland's livelihood depends on abundant fish. She feels that unrestricted fishing of her waters by a half-dozen European nations is rapidly depleting fish stocks. Accordingly, last Sept. 1 she extended her fishing limits from four to 12 miles and warned that any trawlers working inside the 12-mile limit would be arrested and heavily fined.

The British distant-water trawlers, who get about a quarter of their total catch from Icelandic waters, and one-tenth from inside the 12-mile limit, stood to lose much of their income — though perhaps not as much as they claim. The British government, always jealous of its rights on the "high seas," claimed that attempted arrest of British traw-

ers outside three miles would be "piracy," and promised full protection for the British trawlers.

That has been the pattern ever since.

As many as 122 British trawlers have been inside the limits at any one time, under the wing of three or four British frigates or destroyers. More than 40 British navy vessels have taken part at various times, as protection vessels, tankers or supply ships. Four Icelandic gunboats have constantly been on patrol, hoping to make an arrest.

But there have been no arrests of trawlers following the navy's instructions, and no one has been badly hurt. The gunboats have fired warning shots or blanks a few times; the protection vessels have yet to fire a shot at or near the Icelanders.

For the Navy, it has proved valuable training. Commodore Barry Anderson pointed out that the ships and personnel involved would have been on other duty if they hadn't been in Icelandic waters, and the cost to the British taxpayer has been negligible.

As far as the trawler owners are concerned, however, the situation is less rosy. Due partly to bad weather last winter — gales up to 104 knots — and partly to the restricted fishing, Icelandic catches have dropped by about a third since the "war" started.

So far, retail prices have been little changed, because catches elsewhere were good. But a prolonged dispute would raise prices.

Oregon Sailor Gun-Whipped

ATKINSON, N.H. (UPI) — A Salem, Ore., airman stumbled into a house here early today and told of being held up, robbed and pistol-whipped by a hitchhiker who was wearing a Navy enlisted man's uniform.

Robert A. Berndt, 22, (RFD 4, Salem) was reported in fair condition with head injuries at Bon Secour hospital in Methuen, Mass.

He told police he picked up the sailor while driving his girl home to Lawrence, Mass. After he left the girl, Berndt said, he started driving toward his barracks at Pease Air Force base, Portsmouth, N.H.

At Hampton, the hitchhiker pulled a gun and ordered him to stop and get in the trunk of the car. At Atkinson, about 25 miles away, Berndt said he was ordered from the trunk, bound and robbed of his wallet containing \$4. He said the assailant then beat him unconscious, but he regained consciousness and stumbled to the house.

Ex-Con Admits Death Of State Trooper

LANSING, Mich. (UPI) — Ex-convict Alvin W. Knight, 48, was expected to tell authorities today in minute detail how he killed Michigan State Trooper Albert W. Souden, 29, with the trooper's own gun and hid his body in a shallow leaf-covered grave.

Knight Monday confessed verbally that he shot Souden to death, and led state police to the grave near the small hamlet of Argentine.

Edmund Gwenn, Santa To Many, Dies In Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — The cheerful, twinkling little man who meant Santa Claus to so many children will hold no youngsters on his lap this coming Christmas.

Edmund Gwenn, whose role as St. Nick in "The Miracle on 34th St." brought him an Academy Award a dozen years ago, died Sunday night at the Motion Picture Hospital. He would have been 82 on Sept. 26.

As the movie department store Santa, Gwenn insisted to his employers he was one toy-giving saint of children and his faith in the role brought the spirit of Christmas to an entire city.

Gwenn made more than 75 films in Hollywood before arthritis forced him into retirement.

The ailing actor entered the Motion Picture Hospital two years ago after suffering a stroke. He remained in a wheelchair, spending his days rolling through the hospital corridors to cheer other patients confined to their beds.

RECEIVES GO-AHEAD

WICHITA, Kan. (UPI) — The Boeing Airplane Company announced today it has received an official go-ahead for production of an advanced version of the Strategic Air Command's B52 stratofortress.

General WSCS Holds Meeting

IMBLER (Special) — A general meeting of the WSCS of the First Methodist Church of La Grande, was held at the home of Mrs. Tom Ruckman, on Sept. 2. A pot luck lunch was served at noon to 30 guests.

A business meeting and program were given in the afternoon. Mr. M. A. Cochran and Mrs. Lyle Riggs were program leaders. Chairman for the day were Mesdames William Adler, Mel Plass, A. K. Gibson and Roy Fuller. The program for the year '51, There's Light Upon the Mountains. The next meeting is to be held at Mrs. Worth Eplings.

Mrs. Nellie Byer received bruises when she slipped and fell while helping load out a car of grass seed at the H. L. Wagner and Sons warehouse. She will be laid up for several days.

Mrs. Cecil Houtz and daughters, Judy and Joan, Mrs. Don Houtz and small daughter, drove to Spokane this past week to register Judy at Whitworth College, for her freshman year. They visited relatives while in Spokane. Judy will leave for school Sept. 13.

Nick Houtz has been transferred to Spokane to become manager of the Sprous-Reitz store there. He has been assistant manager at the La Grande store this summer.

Fire Department Called

The Imbler Fire Department was called out on three fires last Thursday. The first call came in at 1:30 p.m. and was a small grass fire along the railroad track, back of the cherry warehouse. The second call was at 2:30 p.m. to the Thurman Teeter Jr. farm, southwest of town. A stubble fire got out of control. The third call was at 9:45 p.m. to a grass fire at the dead-end street close to the Gerald Master house. Also the one truck was taken north of town that same night to extinguish a grass fire along the highway.

The Doyle Wilson family have moved to Dallas. Rev. Wilson is still here finishing up some building contracts, but Mrs. Wilson and children are in Dallas. They plan to open a new church there and work in the ministry.

STEVENS-NESS LEGAL FORMS
McGlasson's
1104 Adams

Market Quotations

By United Press International

PORTLAND DAIRY
PORTLAND (UPI) — Dairy market:
EGGS — To retailers: Grade AA extra large, 50-53c doz.; AA large, 47-50c; A large, 44-47c; AA medium, 37-40c; AA small, 26 - 29c, cartons 1-3c additional.
Butter — To retailers: AA and grade A prints, 70c lb.; carton, 1c higher; B prints, 65c.
Cheese (medium cured) — To retailers: A grade cheddar single daisies, 41-51c; processed American cheese, 5-lb. loaf, 40-43c.

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK (UPI) — The stock market suffered one of its sharpest setbacks of the year today on increased volume.
The sharp drop wiped off more than five billion dollars from stock values before the market met some support. Individual losses 2 and 3 points dotted the main list.
Disappointment over the failure of steel wage negotiators to come up with an agreement and predictions the strike may run through September dealt a severe blow to market sentiment.
Youngstown was off more than 5 at its low but rallied before the close. U.S. Steel, Bethlehem and Republic all were under pressure. Carpenter Steel lost more than 4 at its low.
Vick lost around 6 at its low in the drugs. Reynolds and Alcoa dropped 2 each in the aluminum. Chrysler and Ford were off around 2 each in the motors. Goodyear and Goodrich fell around 2 each in the tires. General Tire lost more than 3.
In the electronics, Zenith and IBM were off around 5 points each at one time, while Litton and Zenith lost around 3 points each.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK
PORTLAND (UPI) — (USDA) — Livestock:
Cattle 1400; 11-head lot low choice 1000 lb. fed steers 28.50; part load good - choice 943 lb. 28.25; good steers 26.50-27.50; canner - cutter dairy type steers 15-18.50; 780 lb. good-choice fed heifers 27.25; good 26 - 26.50; utility with some standard 872 lb. cows 20; utility cows 16-18.50; canners-cutters 13-14.50.
Calves 250; good-choice vealers 25-31; cull-utility 13-22.
Hogs 1400; slow; mostly 50c lower; 50-head 1 and 2 butchers 195-225 lb. 16.50; mixed 1, 2 and 3 lots 15.50-16; No. 2 and 3 butchers 265-275 lb. 14 - 14.50; sows 350 - 500 lb. 12-13.25.
Sheep 1500; high good-choice 88-106 lb. spring lambs 19-19.50; good lambs 17-18; good-choice No. 2 pelt lambs 17-18; ewes 2-4.

DOW JONES AVERAGES
Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 642.09, off 9.49; 20 railroads 156.19, off 2.42; 15 utilities 89.31, off 0.74, and 65 stocks 213.37, off 2.93.
Sales today were about 2,940,000 shares compared with 2,300,000 shares Friday.

PORTLAND GRAIN
White wheat 1.90.
Soft white, hard applicable 1.90.
White club 1.90.
Hard red winter, ordinary 1.98.
Hard white baart, ordinary 2.02.
Oats 48.00.
Barley 44.00.
Western Maryland led the rails lower with a loss running past 4 at its low.

Murder-Suicide Claims Life Of Oregon Couple

ALBANY, Ore. (UPI) — An apparent murder-suicide claimed the life of a 39-year-old Albany construction worker and his estranged wife early today, police said.

Albany Police Chief Ray Maddy said Mrs. Keats Franklin, also 39, was fatally shot in an Albany tavern just after 1 a.m. He said her husband then fled the tavern and apparently turned the 380 automatic on himself. He died about 20 minutes after arrival at a hospital after being shot in the head.

Maddy said about eight patrons in the tavern witnessed the shooting. Mrs. Franklin was a tavern employee.
The chief said the woman was shot twice, once as she stood behind the bar and a second time after she fled to a back room.

Set Inquest Over Worker's Shooting

ONTARIO, Ore. (UPI) — Coroner George C. Beechler planned to conduct an inquest today into the gunshot death of Santiago Martinez, a migrant worker, early Sunday.
State police said Crescencio Chavez, another migrant worker, was being held in the county jail at Vale for investigation.
A brother of the victim, Esteban

Neuberger In Park Measure Amendment

FLORENCE, Ore. (UPI) — A statement by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) that he was considering an addition to his bill for an Oregon Dunes National Seashore park brought reaction here today.

Neuberger said he was considering an amendment which would allow residential property owners to retain all rights to their homes.

John M. Hayes, chairman of the Western Lane Taxpayers Association which opposes the proposed 35,000-acre park, said: "We are pleased that Senator Neuberger has recognized that there are private homes and lands around them that should be protected. We are sure that what appeared to be an unjust attitude was his unwillingness to make concessions until he became more familiar with local problems."

A Senate interior subcommittee, with Neuberger as chairman, is scheduled to hold hearings on the proposal in Eugene and Reedsport next month.
Martinez, who was hospitalized for treatment of a bullet wound in his abdomen. The brothers were shot during an argument on a county road north of here.

CLOSE-OUT!

Tappan and Vernoise
GAS RANGES
and
Gas Space Heaters

Offered At Virtually
OUR COST!

SEE THEM . . . BUY THEM, AT
Electric Service Co.
111 Depot St. WO 3-4713

GLOBE and 80 western stores **WESTORE** do it again...our buying power pays off for you

Imagine...not 180 coil, not 220 coil...not 310 coil, But

510 POSTURIZED COILS

Saving half is just part of the story; read this!

Seeing is believing the unheard-of savings on these sensationally sleepable 510-coil mattresses, designed for perfect body balance. You save almost half, thanks to the Westore policy of buying entire factory stocks, at outstandingly low prices, and passing the savings on to you. Massed buying by the 80 independent Western Furniture Stores scores again!

- 510 heavy gauge steel coils, for true body balance.
- Finest sisal and felt upholstery, to cushion out the coil feel, and give firm, restful body support.
- Reinforced, sag-proof edges.
- Heavy-weight, durable covers.
- Cord handles for easy turning.

WESTERN UNION

WESTERN STORES INC.
THE DALLES, OREGON

YOU WIN... ENTIRE STOCK OF 510 SPRING UNIT MATTRESSES ARE YOURS TO RETAIL AS LOW AS 24.88. ONLY YOUR VOLUME BUYING AND READY CASH, MAKES THIS EXCEPTIONALLY LOW PRICE POSSIBLE. QUALITY GUARANTEED!

WONDERBILT MATTRESS CO.

Reg. \$49.50

NOW \$24.88

Mattress or Boxspring
twin or full size

GLOBE FURNITURE

YOU CAN BUY BETTER IN LA GRANDE

Adams & Hemlock