

Mail Seizures Draw Protest

Clipper Is Raided After Commander Refuses to Obey Orders

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at Bermuda, representing half of the mail aboard.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The British began censorship of United States air mails at Bermuda on Jan. 18 by seizing 2600 pounds of letters from an Pan-American clipper at bayonet point, it was learned from a reliable source tonight.

Capt. Charles A. Lorber of Baltimore, in command of the flying boat plying between the United States and Lisbon via Bermuda, not only ordered British censorship officials off his craft but also refused to surrender the mail until the British made a show of armed force.

The incident is only part of the story of censorship in the British colony, which has been cloaked in official silence for more than a month.

Force Is Required To Firm Stand

On Jan. 18 Captain Lorber landed adjacent to Darrell's Island, Pan-American Airways Bermuda base, and pulled up to the dock where his passengers disembarked.

A staff of British censors came aboard. "Captain Lorber," said their spokesman, "We are going to remove your mail."

"Why?" asked Lorber. "Orders from the home government for censorship."

Lorber protested, "You can't do that. This is a United States vessel."

"Yes, we can," was the rejoinder. "You are in Bermuda waters."

Lorber, a veteran of the company's trans-Pacific run, stood his ground.

"The only person I will allow on this aircraft," he said, "is the port director, according to custom. I'll do everything in my power to prevent removal of that mail."

Thereupon he ordered the censorship staff ashore.

As his visitors walked off the craft, their spokesman blew a whistle. A launch, containing a group of British marines, put out from shore. As they came alongside, Lorber saw each man carried a rifle with fixed bayonet.

Half of Record Load Of Mail Removed

The marines clambered up on the plane's hydro-stabilizer, entered the doorway above it and followed the captain to that deck, where the mail bags were stowed.

Lorber glanced at the show of force.

"The situation," he said, "now is obviously out of my hands. May I trouble you for a receipt for this mail?"

Once ashore, Lorber wrote a formal protest against the seizure to the resident British consul, which was signed by him and by George W. Adams, Pan-American Airways' Bermuda representative.

The censors removed half of the 5,200 pounds of mail, a record load for the eastbound crossing. Retained for censoring were all letters not addressed to England or France. Included among the mail censored were letters destined for Germany, Italy, Sweden, Portugal, Horta (The Azores) and other points.

No clash of authority has occurred since the first day. The censors are given a free hand, and the American government has stipulated that certain classes of postal merchandise, to which the censors might object, cannot be consigned to Europe by clipper.

Macy Honored in GOP Club Letter

A letter of sympathy expressing deep sorrow over the recent death of Bert Macy was received this week by his widow, Mrs. Anna R. Macy, 444 North 8th street, from the Marion County Republican club, signed by Leonard B. Judson, C. H. Albert and Joseph B. Felton.

The letter said, in part, "Mr. Macy took an active part in republican affairs for more than 40 years, and at one time served as secretary of the Marion county republican central committee. He was a member of this committee at the time of his death. He was one of the founders of the Marion County Republican club. He gave unselfishly both his time and efforts to further the interests of this club."

Lions to Hear Rhodes

Ivan B. Rhodes, former assistant general secretary of the American YMCA and newly-arrived Willamette university faculty member, will address the Salem Lions club at the Marion hotel today noon.

Eden Welcomes Anzac Army to Suez



Captain Anthony Eden, British Dominions minister (right) makes speech of welcome aboard one of the troopships that brought a vast army of Australian and New Zealand troops to Suez. The Anzacs were carried 10,000 miles with such secrecy that the great movement was not suspected until the fleet of transports arrived. The Anzac force was sent, presumably, to reinforce the allied army in the Near East.—HIN cablephoto.

Land Bank Heads Quit in Protest

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meeting of directors earlier this month.

W. A. Schoenfeld of Corvallis, Ore., chairman of the board, refused to make a statement, saying only the board had chosen Ehrhardt's successor.

The resignation, which Ehrhardt released for publication, asserted the bank had enjoyed an autonomous status until recently, when it came under the direction of the secretary of agriculture.

"Meritorious as many of these (new) programs are, I do not believe the lending of money to sound agricultural enterprises can be mixed indiscriminately with all these activities successfully, or without making our cooperative credit system subservient to bureaucracy and partisan politics," Ehrhardt declared.

The bank last year realized a net operating profit of \$2,364,032, it was reported at the annual meeting.

Governor Black, who flew here from Washington to meet with the directors Monday, said the integration of the PCA with the department of agriculture had evoked little comment from farmers "despite the activities of certain special interest groups and individuals."

Margin Forecast For Lincoln PUD

The proposed Lincoln county people's utility district would produce a slight profit but not sufficient to insure any immediate substantial reduction in electric rates, a report of the state hydro-electric commission released here yesterday disclosed.

The cost of the system was estimated by the commission at \$450,718, based on the purchase of the existing power plant valued at \$247,590. The annual cost of operations was fixed at \$82,348.

The proposed district would embrace 175 square miles with a population of 8000 and assessed valuation of \$3,830,722.

A copy of the report has been sent to sponsors of the project. In event the proposal to create the district is submitted to the voters it probably will appear on the primary election ballot.

New YMCA Worker Honored, Banquet

Clyde Charters, new boys' work secretary of the Salem YMCA, was honored last night by a banquet at the Y attended by 225 members of senior and junior Hi-Y clubs and their parents.

Charters thanked the group for their cooperation and asked their help in his work on the theme, "Boys are the things men are made of."

Professor W. C. Jones of Willamette university was the speaker. Ivan B. Rhodes, instructor of the YMCA course at Willamette, was introduced by Mrs. J. Vinton Scott, mistress of ceremonies.

Drunk Driving Charged

E. P. Hammar, 498 North Liberty street, was arrested by city police last night on a charge of drunken driving.

Blossoms Appear In Rogue Valley; Warmth General

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PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Warm sunshine bathed most sections of Oregon today, although overcast skies, showers and warmer temperatures in the south portion are expected Thursday.

The top temperature yesterday was 62 degrees, recorded at coastal North Bend. Burns had the day's minimum, 13 degrees, but offset it with a maximum of 41 degrees.

The Portland area's moisture deficiency has been cut to 78 of an inch after 9.82 inches of precipitation since the first of the year. The normal is 10.60 inches.

Orchards in the Medford district developed ahead of the season for the third successive year. Almond trees are in full bloom in the Valleyview district near Ashland. Apricot trees are in "early pink" and the buds are swelling on Rogue River valley pear trees.

H. A. Gille Dies; Funeral Is Friday

Henry A. Gille, 82, a resident of Salem for 35 years, died at a local hospital yesterday morning. Gille, who lived at 365 North 25th street, was a retired hardware and furniture merchant.

Henry Gille was born at Richmond, O., December 15, 1857. The family moved to Nebraska in 1870, and he was married there in 1880. The Gilles came to Salem in 1904.

He is survived by his widow, Rosa D. Gille; three daughters, Mrs. David Buller, Los Angeles, Mrs. Dan Gleason, John Day and Mrs. Arthur Rogers, Wendling; and two sons, Albert of Salem and Herbert of Mill City.

Funeral services will be held Friday from the Clough-Barrett chapel at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Fred Taylor of Vancouver, Wash., will officiate. Burial will be in City View cemetery.

Old Indian Treaty Fishing Privilege Debated in Court

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Three colorfully garbed Indian chiefs faced three black-robed federal judges today in a modernized courtroom over the Indians' right to fish without interference of white man's laws.

It was an "emergency," said Samuel Driver, US attorney from Spokane, Wash., involving the livelihood of 7000 Indians. The court took the emergency under advisement—involving the sanctity of an 80-year-old treaty and the Washington state fishing conservation program.

From "the beginning of time" the Yakima Indians have enjoyed the right of fishing in the Columbia river, and ceded title to 16,920 acres of 90 years ago to preserve this right under a treaty.

But two years ago Washington state and Klickitat county officers began arresting Yakimas for fishing without commercial licenses.

"Many of the Indian tribes now make a business of fishing commercially," said T. H. Little, assistant attorney general of Washington, "and use the most modern gear devised by the ingenuity of the white man." Their activity, he said, threatened the Columbia's \$10,000,000 salmon industry.

Sparks Gets Suspended Sentence, Peace Breach

SILVERTON—Henry W. Sparks spent Tuesday night in jail after being arrested on a charge of disturbing the peace in a private place while under the influence of liquor. In justice court Wednesday Sparks was given a 30-day suspended jail sentence upon payment of court costs. Instructions were for him to obey all laws for the next two years.

B. F. Snelgrove Rites To Be Held Here Today

Graveside services will be at 2:30 p. m. today at Belcrest Memorial park for Benjamin F. Snelgrove, 79, who died Tuesday at his home in Waldport. Funeral services will be at Waldport.

Survivors are the widow, Ada; two sons; one daughter, and several grandchildren.

Soil Program Held Essential

Farm-Business Banqueters Told Land Use Vital, State's Economy

A group of 165 farmers and business men meeting together at the Marion hotel last night heard William L. Teutsch, assistant county agent leader from Oregon State college, declare that the made of the state's land is the determining factor in the economic and social future of Oregon.

Purpose of the banquet meeting, sponsored by the Marion county agricultural conservation committee, was to acquaint business men with the agriculture program and land use problems. Farmers from all parts of Marion county were present, with business men from their localities as guests.

Seed Industry Cited

Land use planning for the past has been responsible for the development of the small seed industry, expansion of alfalfa acreage and shift to dairying industries, the speaker said.

The agricultural adjustment program is helping the farmer to meet his major problems, those of income and of soil conservation, Teutsch said. Examples of what the program has done in various parts of the state to meet these problems were given.

County Work Lauded

"Marion county has one of the best records in the state for its soil conservation work," he said. Special mention was made of the conversion of about 8000 acres of hill land from surplus crops to land building crops.

County agent Harry L. Riches was toastmaster. Others in charge of the banquet were W. M. Tate, Henry Ahrens and Homer M. Smith, members of the conservation committee.

Lumber Industry Damage Is Cited

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wood industry was threatened, foreign beef was replacing American beef and the west coast lumber industry had been "scuttled."

He said Oregon had the largest body of standing timber of any state and 50 per cent of the payrolls of the state came from the forest industry.

"American lumber exporters have been cut off from the British markets," Angell said, "but the home market has been opened to Canadian shipments."

Louisiana Choice Pledges Cleanup

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Louisiana's next governor, 42-year-old Sam H. Jones, turned today from his smashing ballot victory over the old Huey P. Long dictatorship to plan the "rehabilitation of Louisiana."

Jubilant at his triumph by more than 90,000 votes over Gov. Earl K. Long for the four-year term beginning May 14, Jones nevertheless soberly called his "the greatest job any Louisiana public official had faced since reconstruction days."

In an interview he said "our simple objective is to restore constitutional democracy, decent government."

"The second thing is to put Louisiana on a sound financial basis. And the third is we must never let this thing happen again."

Louisiana—this set of conditions that for years has made every honest Louisiana bow his head in shame."

Governor Long declined comment. He refused to concede defeat, although unofficial returns tonight showed 1651 of 1703 precincts gave Jones 278,593 votes, Long 257,829.

Scholarship Fund Donor Anonymous

NEWBERG, Feb. 21.—(AP)—"Needy and worthy" students at Pacific college had a gift today, the income from \$25,000 given by an undisclosed donor.

The donation was accepted by the college board today for "students of Christian character to be selected by the board of managers" upon satisfactory completion of the first year course.

Chemawa Harbors 3 Young Refugees

Youths From Europe Study With 30 Other Whites at Indian School

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Ernest plan to file for citizenship "just as soon as we get the money for the fee."

Arrangements for enrolling the refugees, who entered the United States under the regular immigration quota, were made by the National Refugee Service, Inc., which is paying their expenses at Chemawa. Like the NYA students, they are members of the school's student body and their educational activities are directed by Principal William Showalter and Superintendent Paul T. Jackson.

Contrasts in complexion are the dark, brown-eyed Hans and Ernest and the blond, blue-eyed Ralph. But when asked how they like this country they reply with the same words, "It's wonderful."

Hans was born in Vienna 19 years ago and spent a year in the Jewish colony in Palestine before coming to the United States last December. Zionist dreams in the Holy Land he found fettered by poverty brought on largely, he believes, by the fighting between the Jews and Arabs which has halted industry.

Ernest, 19, was born in Cologne and came to the United States in November after spending several months in Glasgow.

Ralph, youngest of the trio, is 18. His native city is Zerbst, which, in his own words, "was in Poland when I was born, but was in Germany when my father and grandfather were born there." He waited nearly two years after applying for his visa before he was allowed to leave Zerbst. And even after he was on his way, he was detained when French authorities found his passport not in order and kept him nine weeks in Algiers, where he was put to work on street construction.

Plan for Refugees Still Experimental

The refugees are reluctant to talk of their experiences under Nazi rule and insist they want to talk only of the future, for which the trade courses at the Chemawa school have given them great hope. Hans and Ernest want to be printers, while Ralph has enrolled in auto mechanics. All three are proficient in English.

Enrollment of the refugee students at the Indian school is still on an experimental basis, according to Jackson. But NYA enrollments have proved so satisfactory that there is no reason they should not be continued in future years, he believes. A letter sent a few weeks ago from Willard W. Beatty, director of education in the Indian service at Washington, DC, remarks upon the excellence of the setup and says the service is well pleased with the way the program has worked out.

NYA students are enrolled in nearly all the school's trade courses, including baking, plumbing, carpentering, printing, auto mechanics, agriculture, tailoring, electrical work and barbering. Two extra instructors are furnished by the youth administration. R. R. Boardman and A. L. Thomas. The administration also furnishes half the materials for shop work.

Admittance of the white students has displaced no Indian students, Jackson says, as the Indian quota has remained unchanged.

Russian Bombs Hit in Sweden

Vigorous Protest Filed Over new Violation of Neutrality

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French economic pressure, by decreasing a ban on shipment to Germany of high test gasoline and aviation oil.

Germany immediately challenged the action by deciding to send an envoy to Bucharest next week to demand the reich's full quota.

The decree, in direct contradiction with a recent agreement to allot Germany 30 per cent of Rumania's annual oil production, was understood to have been issued as a result of serious losses confronting Rumanian industry because of the allies' deliberate delay in delivering badly needed raw materials.

Britain was represented as satisfied with Rumania's assurances, delivered Tuesday, that oil supplies to Germany would not be increased abnormally at the allies' expense.

Power politics in the Balkans picked up force with Russia's action in calling home hundreds of Russian technical experts employed for years in Turkish industry under an agreement between Moscow and Ankara. Their exodus followed closely upon the departure of German technicians from Turkey.

Rumania ordered youths born in 1921, and living abroad, to return for service in King Carol's army, now swelled to 1,400,000 men.

Net Is Tightened Around Nazi Land

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German naval vessels on war missions.

This is a direct challenge to Norway to halt alleged misuse of her waters promptly, or face the consequences. Whatever Norway does about it might involve her in the war.

The plight of neutrals on both flanks of the German-Allied conflict is becoming more acute day by day and is apt to become critical in spring assembly, potential Franco-British ally, is moving openly to exert increasing pressure on her Balkan neighbors against any fraternizing with either Germany or Russia. The Turkish press, possibly officially inspired, says her armies would march immediately into the Balkans to meet any German or Russian thrust there. That synchronized with Russia's indicated swing to the allied side in the dispute over disposition of her vitally important oil output.

Speaker's Hotel Room Held Wired

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Aroused by the disclosure that the privacy of the hotel bedroom of its presiding officer, Speaker Gordon Garland, had been invaded by the installation of a wired microphone and recording device, the California assembly launched a \$5,000 investigation.

The voting of the money to finance a probe of this occurrence and all other attempts to "coerce, intimidate or otherwise interfere with the orderly processes of the legislature" came after one of the most explosive outbursts of condemnation heard in legislative halls in recent years.

Garland himself precipitated the action. He arose to a point of personal privilege and informed the house of the discovery of the microphone in the folds of window drapes Sunday night.

Police, he declared, traced the wires to a room several floors above. It led to a recording mechanism.

Roosevelt Faded In Wahoo Fishing

ABOARD USS LANG, Feb. 21.—(AP via Wireless)—President Roosevelt, still combining business with pleasure, fished near a Costa Rican island today but he didn't get the biggest one.

George Fox, a White House pharmacist, landed the largest prize, a 45-pound wahoo, a blue food fish.

For the rest of the presidential party aboard the USS Tuscaloosa, said a laconic message from Brig. Gen. Edwin M. Watson, secretary of the president, the fishing was "fair but otherwise there was 'no news.'"

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