

# RUSSIAN SHIPS OPEN DANGEROUS WATERWAY TO SIBERIA'S TRADE

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—Although two ships of the Soviet government's recent expedition from Western Europe to the Kara Sea were lost, plans are already being considered for a more extensive expedition in 1922, the object of which will be to further open up this dangerous ice-ridden waterway that connects the West with the far reaches of Siberia, along the Arctic ocean.

The results of the 1921 expedition are regarded quite satisfactory, especially in having demonstrated the possibility of arranging a heavy goods service on a large scale. Under the experiment, 556,532 pounds of goods from abroad and 100,000 pounds of goods from Archangel were delivered in Siberia, while 294,566 pounds of general merchandise, and 534,934 pounds of wheat were brought from Siberia to Archangel.

Besides the purely practical result that has been achieved by the successful exchange of goods between Siberia and the west, the expedition must be credited with an immense scientific-technical as well as political importance. Hitherto the northern route has been used but seldom and by private concerns, and always on a very modest scale.

According to official reports of the 1921 expedition, the ships participating in the expedition were divided into two groups, the first comprising five vessels and an ice-breaker, all laden with various foreign goods in English, German and Swedish ports. These made their way to Murmansk, from which port they sailed out Aug-

ust 15. At the same time a second fleet sailed from Archangel to the Siberian coast, consisting of five transports and three ice breakers.

Each fleet completed its voyage. The Archangel group saw ice only on the horizon, in the Kara Sea; but the foreign group which followed three days later found itself amongst the icebergs for about a day and a half.

Near the island of Bielol, the two groups separated. One sailed to the mouth of the Obi and the other to the mouth of the Yenisei. At these respective river openings, they were met by the river boats and proceeded to the transfer of their cargoes. The interchange of goods took place in unpopulated districts, but despite the difficulties encountered, was completed in four days ahead of schedule time.

The homeward voyage was much more difficult than the outward one. A strong north wind brought down masses of ice which made a continuous wall on the route of the vessels. In forcing its way through this ice the Archangel group lost two steamers. Both were of an old type and were not distinguished for strong build or satisfactory condition with respect to their machinery.

The foreign group, which was more suitably equipped for sailing in the Arctic seas, got through the ice without damage.

## MITCHELL ASSIGNED TO LA PINE STATION

Roy Mitchell has been transferred from the ranger station at Fort Rock

to La Pine, Forest Supervisor H. L. Plumb stated yesterday. Ben Smith, for the past year a ranger unassigned, takes Mitchell's place at Fort Rock.

## FORMER BEND MAN WINS FAST MATCH

Ad Gustavo, former Bend wrestler, defeated Young Hackenschmidt Monday night at Baker after a sensational match. Gustavo secured the first fall with a head lock after 49 minutes and 34 seconds, and the second in seven minutes with a toe hold.

## GRANDMOTHER HERE LEARNS OF TRAGEDY

Mrs. Margaret Greenwood Relative of Two Children Burned to Death in Centralia—Details Lacking.

Word of the death of her grandchildren, Donald Dawson, aged 20 months, and Ruth Dawson, aged 3 years, who were burned to death Thursday morning in their home at Centralia, was received here late Thursday by Mrs. Margaret Greenwood, whose home is at 408 Broadway. She had visited with her daughter's family early this fall in Centralia.

The wire received by Mrs. Green-

wood from J. Agnew, owner of the mine in which her son-in-law, Jack Dawson, is employed, gave no details of the accident. Press dispatches were to the effect that the mother and father were badly burned in attempts to rescue the children. A younger child was removed from a room which was on fire, and three older ones also escaped. Dawson had lighted a fire in the kitchen stove and had returned to his bed, which was in a tent nearby. This, says Mrs. Greenwood, was his usual custom.

Mrs. Greenwood came to Bend several months ago with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Eutha Greenwood, whose husband died in service during the war, and who came here from Albany for her health.

## TRAFFIC PROBLEM SOLUTION IS SEEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Unified electrical operation of the railroads of the country would revolutionize transportation, effecting great economy in money and effort, in addition to the admitted advantages in convenience and comfort to the public.

This is the conclusion reached by the United States Geological Survey after an intensive investigation.

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Potage a la Reine Clear Green Sea Turtle

Filet of Baby Salmon Trout Muenlere Pomme de terre Hollandaise Sliced Cucumbers

Roast Oregon Turkey, Chestnut Dressing, Cranberry Sauce Stuffed Young Duckling, Spiced Imperial Figs Glaced Alaska Reindeer a la Chasseur

Frozen Egg Nog

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English Plum Pudding, Hard and Lemon Sauce Hot Mince Pie Meringue Chantilly Christmas Ice Cream

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