

SHIPS CRUISE NEAR NORWAY

Air Battle Is Reported In North

British and German Boats Seen Patroling Coast

Bergen, Norway, Feb. 21 (AP)—Norwegian coastal reports today said that both British and German ships were standing off the coast and that a British squadron was cruising off north Norway, near the Finnish Arctic coast.

A severe air battle was reported in dispatches from the town of Kirkenes, on the Norwegian-Finnish frontier, but the nationality of the planes—and to be battling over the Petsamo region—was uncertain.

Coastal reports concerning naval activity off Norway were fragmentary and did not immediately clarify developments, but there was nothing to indicate a naval conflict. Nor was it known definitely whether the German ships were warships or merchant ships.

In the past, a number of German merchant ships have gone to the Russian Arctic port of Murmansk and from there have slipped down the Norwegian coast and through the allied blockade to Germany. The \$20,000,000 liner Bremen reached home in that way.

There have also been unconfirmed reports that German submarines were operating out of Murmansk.

Descendant Has Washington Profile



Descended by direct line of seven generations from the first President's brother, Selden Washington bears marked resemblance in profile to George Washington. Selden lives in Alexandria, Va., near Mt. Vernon, and has never had political aspirations. The Washington bust was made in 1785 by Jeanne Houdon.

EXPORTS TO EUROPE DROP

Farm Prices Will Not Jump in This War

England and France Pool Imports of American Products

By Fred Bailey
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington (AP)—Administration farm officials have begun a study of how to meet the growing discrimination against American farm products by Britain and France.

They are convinced that the situation which sent American farm products prices skyrocketing in the last World war will not be repeated in the present war. Export markets in Europe are expected to decline.

The allied powers are not clamoring for American food and cloth as they did in 1914-1918. Instead they have placed drastic restrictions on nearly all imports, and have embargoed others from this country.

Two Sections Hard Hit

Southern tobacco farmers and west coast fruit growers, who normally export a large portion of their production to England, have been especially hard hit by the embargoes. They have demanded that protests be made to Britain.

Retaliation and reprisals against British and French exports to the United States are within the power of the United States government, but the state department is reluctant to use harsh measures. Only a mild protest has been made.

This government has recognized that Britain and France believe they must conserve their exchange in the United States for purchases of airplanes, trucks, guns and other war materials. They must seek agricultural products in countries which do not manufacture war materials.

But, while American industry profits from the war, agriculture must face a diminishing European market—Germany and the rest of central Europe already having been lost—because of British and French restrictions.

Two Commodities Embargoed

British restrictions against American farm products include:

1. An embargo against American apples and pears.
2. An embargo against American tobacco in favor of Turkish tobacco.
3. A price on lard has been fixed so low as to discourage sales and greatly reduces exports.
4. Bacon and ham exports have been reduced under a license control system that favors Canada.
5. Shipping space has been placed under strict control and allotments for tonnage on agricultural products reduced.

Except for a temporary spurt in cotton exports, sales of American farm products in Europe have declined since the outbreak of war. At least a part of the increase in cotton exports was due to a stocking up by European mills in taking advantage of the cotton export subsidy.

Wheat Exports Slump

Wheat, the other great American export crop, virtually has stopped moving to Europe. The American price is about 34 cents a bushel above Canadian prices. Withdrawal of the American subsidy on wheat for Europe resulted in a switch to other markets.

In addition to restrictions already imposed, France and Britain have a pooling arrangement under which they will not compete against each other for American commodities. They are, in effect, operating a consolidated control over American exports to them.

Brazil is larger than the United States.

Where Convicts Bored from Within



A prison guard examines a professional-looking tunnel, one of two dug at Philadelphia's Eastern Penitentiary in a plot by ten long-term convicts to lead a wholesale jail-break. Secretly dug with spoons and other makeshift tools, both tunnels were over thirty feet long, expertly shored and lighted.

MORE ABOUT Animals Burned

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snarl of two lionses slowly turn to tortured whimpers as the flames engulfed them. The lionses had cubs and the two babies died with them. The roaring of two male lions came through the flames almost to the last.

A pigmy hippopotamus died the worst death of all. He was slowly boiled to death in his tank.

The screams and shrieks could be heard for half a mile.

The grazing animals were led individually from the burning building and liberated. Mad with fright they raced a half mile over fields and U. S. highway 31 into this community of 3,500, running down the main street more or less in a pack, the camels with their necks stretched out, the elephants with their trunks curled over their heads, occasionally trumpeting.

Most townsmen heard the thunder of the galloping herd from a distance and were out of the way by the time it arrived, and there was no sign of

panic among them. Carl Quick turned a corner in his automobile and ran into an elephant. The elephant ran on but Quick's car was badly damaged. A pony ran in front of another motorist and was killed.

In the ruins, the firemen found the charred body of an elephant. Apparently it returned to the building after being liberated.

The 50 circus employees were at their supper when the fire was discovered. It was fanned by a 40 mile wind and, fed by hundreds of tons of loose hay, swept through the main building of the winter quarters. Jesse Adkins and Zack Terrell, owners of the circus, led their men in to save what animals they could. Terrell suffered a slight heart attack and had to be taken home.

"It was impossible to get the caged beasts out because of the rapidity with which the flames spread," Terrell said. "They couldn't be turned loose in the town. Those poor trapped animals roared and screamed as the flames enveloped them. It was awful—awful. But there was nothing that could be done."

The fire also destroyed 20 parade wagons, five tractors, and much other circus equipment.

Adkins and Terrell estimated their loss at \$150,000. They said the circus would tour this summer despite it.

RECORD OF TRANSFERS

February 14—Mortgages
Grant S. Pfeiffer to John Pengilly—lot 3, block 158, Second addition to Bend Park.

Mary E. Ryan to Home Owners Loan Corporation—lot 8, block 19, Park addition.

Deaths
John J. Holland to Myrtle Holland—lot 2, block 9, Aubrey Heights, S. 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 1, T. 20, S. R. 15, J. L. Van Huffel to Deschutes Reclamation and Irrigation company—Right of way of Norwood lateral of 15 feet on either side of center line across S. 1/2 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 20, T. 17, S. R. 12.

George F. Hoover to Deschutes Reclamation and Irrigation company—right of way for Norwood lateral of 15 feet on either side of center line across tracts 14, 15, Norwood.

Nels Anderson to Deschutes Reclamation and Irrigation company—right of way for Norwood lateral of 15 feet on either side of center line across tracts 9, 12, 13, Norwood.

Henry A. Hagge to A. J. Moore—lots 6, 7, block 3, North addition.

February 15—Deaths
Henry Strixner to Henry Strixner Jr.—SW 1/4 Sec. 30, T. 15, S. R. 13.

City of Redmond to Melvin L. Cynn—part of SW 1/4 Sec. 16, T. 15, S. R. 13.

Nicholas G. Abel to Clarence D. Curtis—lot 1, block 5, Staats addition.

Douglas J. Ward to Albert Erikson—lot 23, and S. 1/2 lot 24, block 3, Park addition.

February 16
Satisfaction of Mortgage
Arthur H. Boettcher to W. J. Coleman.

Deaths
W. A. Golden to Alberta Montgomery—lot 8, block 21, Boulevard addition.

Alberta Røllerson to Claude C. Jackson—lot 8, block 21, Boulevard addition.

February 17—Mortgage
Wilbur F. Carlin to Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan association—tract 16, Reed Highway Acres, Sec. 2, east right-of-way of The Dalles-California highway.

Partial Release of Mortgage
S. O. Johnson to Bert Peterson.

Deaths
Maude Schmitt to Joseph Kasper—lot 6, and part lot 5, block 15, Highland addition.

Ponderosa Mouldings Incorporated to Bert Peterson—part of SW 1/4 Sec. 10, T. 15, S. R. 13.

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William Foss to Maude V. Catlow—lots 3, 6, 7, block 28, Lapine.

February 19
Satisfaction of Mortgage
Home Owners Loan Corporation to Milton Sharpe.

Mortgages
Laurence A. Holman to Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan Association—lot 11, block 7, Park addition.

Maud Taggart to Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan Association—lots 7, 8, block 6, Mill addition.

Joe Giverson to Bank of Bend—EW 1/4 Sec. 2, T. 18, S. R. 13.

Deaths
Charles R. Leighton to Nancy

Bishop and Laura E. Varco—lot 13, block 15, Boulevard addition.
Livola Barnes to George Hofstetter—lot 7, block 33, Redmond.
W. J. Coleman to W. L. Van Allen—lot 6, block 15, Bend.
Henry A. Miller to George H. Brewster and Martha Scott, trustees—part of NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 17, T. 18, S. R. 12.
Myrtle M. Dennis to Harry Allen—part of SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T. 15, S. R. 10.
Marguerite Gleason to Maud Taggart—lots 7, 8, block 6, Mill addition.
Vance T. Coyner to Laurence A. Holman—lot 11, block 7, Park addition.

February 20
Satisfaction of Mortgage
First National Bank to Vance T. Coyner.

William G. Phoenix to Besie V. Markell.

Mortgages
Edward M. Schwerdt to Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan Association—lot 3, block 4, Staats addition.

Vida Beougher to Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan Association—lot 10, block 27, Boulevard addition.

Deaths
Deschutes Federal Savings and Loan Association to Edward Schwerdt—lot 3, block 4, Staats addition.

Deschutes County Title and Abstract Company, trustee, to Frederick R. Koopman—lots 13, 14, block 21, Highland addition.

Andrew Anderson to Joseph S. Grahman—lots 7, 8, block 24, Kenwood addition.

PENGUIN MASCOT INSURED
Youngstown, O. (AP)—Youngstown college doesn't want to lose its new mascot, Pete, a sprightly penguin. It has been insured against fire, lightning, wind, cyclone, tornado, explosion, theft, burglary, holdup, mysterious disappearance, riots, strikes and transportation hazards.

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Clifton Heights, Pa. (AP)—Two Clifton Heights firemen were battling a blaze during an intense cold wave and inadvertently walked into the range of a high pressure hose. The result: Both men were frozen in their suits. They were taken to a nearby home and "chipped" out.

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Methodists to Attend Meeting at Portland

About a dozen Methodist laymen and ministers from Central Oregon will attend the mass meeting of the Methodist advance movement at the First Methodist church in Portland tomorrow, at which speakers from various parts of the United States will participate.

Leaving last night and today were the Rev. John B. Coan and Mrs. Coan, of Bend; the Rev. E. J. Achenbrenner, of Prineville; the Rev. G. H. Brown, of Madras; Mrs. F. G. Hall, J. Elwood Isted, and other lay people from Madras and Prineville.

Visiting bishops who will assist Bishop James H. Straughn, resident area head, in conducting the Portland meetings, are A. Frank Smith, Houston, Tex.; Charles C. Selemat, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Adna Wright Leonard, Pittsburgh, Penn.

RICHARDS, WILSON, EBY HERDS LEAD

512 Cows Tested by Herd Improvement Group

During the month ending on January 31, Leland G. Strawn of Central Oregon Dairy Herd Improvement association tested a total of 512 cows that averaged 523.4 pounds in milk production and 27.51 pounds in butterfat production, statistics just released reveal. Thirty herds were on test during the month, and 111 cows each produced more than 40 pounds of fat. High producing herds of the association for the month follow:

More than 20 cows, Robert Wilson, Terrebonne, 682 pounds of milk and 29.88 pounds of butterfat.
Twelve to 20 cows, Herbert Eby, Terrebonne, 653 pounds of milk and 37.75 pounds of butterfat.

Under 12 cows, Hod Richards, Bend, 768 pounds of milk and 42.80 pounds of butterfat.

The butterfat production of the Richards herd was the third highest of all reporting associations in Oregon. A Washington county herd, owned by George Chlebowski, lead all tested herds with 48.56 pounds of butterfat and a Marion county herd was second.

Strawn reports that the annual meeting of the association will be held on March 6. The time and place for the meeting will be announced later.

Mayor Drops All Work To Cook Oyster Stew

Quincy, Mass. (AP)—All city business waited while Mayor Thomas S. Burgin donned an apron to cook a "real Cape Cod oyster stew" for a city messenger who was hospitalized. Burgin, in the midst of a busy day, called off all appointments when he learned that Harry W. Tirrell, 74, had undergone an operation and had expressed a desire for a "tasty" dish.

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