

Four Canadians Aboard

Freighter Sinks In Raging Storm But All 60 Rescued

Picked Up By U. S. Navy Transport

SEATTLE (AP) — The Orient-bound freighter Washington Mail broke up and sank in a raging storm in the north Pacific Saturday but all 60 persons aboard—were rescued by a U.S. Navy transport.

The scene of the nightmare experience was 700 miles northwest of here in virtually the same spot where the freighter Pennsylvania broke up in the same fashion, under the same conditions and sank with loss of all 46 men aboard four years ago.

The Washington Mail carried a general cargo of flour and lumber for Oriental points. Plunging and wallowing in the 20-foot swells raised by a 30- to 50-knot wind, the Washington Mail, a 7,943-ton freighter belonging to the American Mail Line, broke in two at the No. 3 hold at 4:36 p.m.

Apparently there had been some warning because the ship's master, Capt. Dudley A. Durrant of Seattle, had sent an S O S 12 minutes earlier, saying the ship was in distress.

SANK AFTER 30 MINUTES — Four hours sailing time away the General Freeman, a navy transport bound for Adak, in the Aleutians, heard the call for help and turned toward the freighter's position.

Thirty minutes after the forward portion of the ship broke loose it sank, leaving the remainder of the Washington Mail tossing aimlessly about and in a sinking condition. The capt. held the 51 crew and nine passengers, including two Roman Catholic missionaries en route to service in the Orient, aboard the floundering hulk until shortly after 8 p.m.

Then he gave the "abandon ship" order and everyone took to two lifeboats. The lifeboats bobbed about like corks and were visible only a short distance because of snow when the Freeman steamed to the spot at 8:39 p.m.

The after portion of the ill-fated ship rolled over and sank, only a scant few minutes after the persons aboard had taken to the boats.

The Canadians aboard were Miss Ivy W. Withers, 46, of Vancouver, Vernon Lester, 45, and his wife Phyllis, 42, of West Vancouver, and Brother Charles Lebel, 38, of Montreal. He was travelling with Brother Charles Govaert, 50, of Arlington, Va.

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President Of Italy Inspects Guard Of Honor

Giovanni Gronchi, president of Italy, reviews a 100-man guard of honor on his arrival in Ottawa. The 68-year-old president breezed through the inspection of the 2nd Battalion, Regiment of Canadian Guards, in the fastest official inspection ever recorded here. It was the first time men of the regiment had acted as guards of honor in the Capital. (CP Photo).

Two Policemen Killed

Israelis And Syrians Clash At Sea Of Galilee Sunday

JERUSALEM (AP) — Shooting between Israeli and Syrian forces flared up Sunday in the northeast corner of the Sea of Galilee. A United Nations spokesman said two Israeli policemen were killed. The Israeli foreign office accused Syrians of a "wanton attack." Official Israeli sources said the Israeli police launched a counter-offensive which went aground on the beach while on a routine inspection patrol.

In Damascus, an official Syrian statement declared the Israelis were fired upon when they tried to land armed units during darkness for the purpose of "spying" near the village of Masadin. The Israeli foreign ministry said the two bodies were returned to Israel Sunday night after the Syrians handed them over to the UN officials. Also returned were the two police launches seized by the Syrians.

Sunday's incident occurred in the region where Israeli forces, retaliating for what they said was shooting at fishing boats, attacked Syrian gunboats last Dec. 11 and killed 56 Syrians. Six Israelis were killed in that battle. Israel claims the Syrian border in the area runs about 19 yards east of the baseline, leaving a narrow strip of beach owned by Israel but actually a no-man's land.

NO SYRIAN CASUALTIES — Israel still listed as missing two other policemen reported wounded and captured by the Syrians. Syria said its forces suffered no casualties. Israel earlier had threatened counter-measures unless the four

Time Running Out In Middle East — NEW DELHI (Reuters)—British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd said Sunday "time is running out" in the Middle East and "the trouble is getting worse rather than better."

Addressing the Indian council of world affairs, he said the situation in the area is "bedevilled" by the Arab neighbors. "One of the most worrying features" was the large-scale supply of arms to Egypt from the Communist bloc which threatened to upset the balance Britain, France and the United States had tried to maintain during the last five years.

Lloyd met with Prime Minister Nehru for a second time Sunday. During three hours of talks they were understood to have discussed possible British-Indian moves toward an international disarmament formula acceptable to both Russia and the United States. The British minister, heading for a meeting of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization in Karachi, Pakistan, arrived in New Delhi Friday night after being delayed four hours by rioters on Bahrain island.

Tourist Finds Large Diamond — MURFREESBORO, Ark. (AP)—A Texas tourist found a 15 1/2-carat diamond Sunday at the nearby crater of Diamonds, the only diamond mine in North America. The estimated value of the stone is \$15,000.

Will Discuss Stronger NATO — OTTAWA (CP) — Strengthening of NATO in the non-military field will be discussed today by Prime Minister St. Laurent and visiting Italian President Giovanni Gronchi.

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Coming Events — Card Party Newton School Monday March 5th. Card Party Spring Park Hall, tonight 8:30. First game of Tournaments.

1,000 IN RIOTS — More than 1,000 demonstrators in the British-protected territory in the Persian gulf held up departure of Lloyd's plane until they were dispersed by police wielding bayonets and firing tear-gas shells. Bahrain has since been quiet and there have been no arrests of any of the rioters who blocked the

MISSING BOY FOUND — TORONTO (CP)—Kenny Bell, 6, missing since Friday afternoon and object of a 100-constable police search, was found Saturday. He was discovered by another boy in an automobile parked behind an east-central Toronto home.

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BOY BITTEN BY COLLIE — In Hamilton officials said unleashed dogs wandering about will

Leave For Mar. Economic Council

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17 Killed In Atlantic Crash

LONDON (AP) — A U. S. Air Force Globemaster carrying 17 persons crashed in flames in the stormy North Atlantic early Saturday at the same spot where it almost ran into disaster a week ago. Two bits of wreckage—a flame-scared oxygen bottle and a shattered piece of smoke plywood—were picked up in the area where the giant military transport sounded its last frantic S P S were the only traces found.

Lifeboats, rescue ships and search planes pined steadily Sunday over the area 250 miles southwest of Iceland in a waning hope of finding survivors. Most of those aboard were air force personnel. The plane—a C-124—was flying from Iceland to Goose Bay, Labrador, and New York with its ultimate destination Warner Robbins air base in Georgia.

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Record Potato Movement For February

1,239 rail cars of potatoes left the province during February. This is 273 above last year, 504 above 1954, and 513 above the average of the last five years. Total movement from the province this season now exceeds 8,000 cars. This suggests that no problem will be encountered in marketing all the P.E.I. crop this year. However, New Brunswick appears to have a definite surplus, and the Island grower knows that no great price increase can be expected while N.B. potatoes are in surplus.

This, in turn, makes last week's announcement of the cancellation of the Italian order for 175 cars of N.B. potatoes of greater concern to us. It shows the effect that United States farm policies can have on our exports.

It was suggested that the Maine Tablestock grade of 2 1/2 inch to 4 inch might have to be tightened a little more, but at a recent meeting their Board decided against any change. The present grade has resulted in about 400 carloads going to the starch plants each week.

The U.S. early crop will be about two weeks later than usual coming on the market, leaving that much more time to dispose of old stock.

Pope Sounds Warning Against The "Mirage of False Peace"

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Pope warned Sunday against the "mirage of false peace" which he said for "militant materialism" means only a truce.

The pontiff, now 80, spoke to ambassadors and ministers to the Holy See from 42 nations gathered to give him birthday greetings. Militant materialism is the term the Pope usually uses when referring to communism.

He told the diplomats the forces of militant materialism "orient themselves in a direction which does not lead and cannot lead to peace."

"Formulas like 'national unity' and 'social progress' must not be abused," the Pope said. "For militant materialism the time of peace is merely a time of truce—a pre-social truce which awaits only the social and economic collapse of other peoples."

He said states which follow a policy based on respect of the liberty and dignity of man "preserve an internal solidity against which militant materialism will break itself."

ACT IN VAIN — "It is in vain," he said, "that these forces of militant materialism try to make glory before the eyes the mirage of a false peace, which purports to show the way in establishing economic relations and in the exchange of technical experiences."

"May those who heed such a voice do so with a prudence and reserve inspired by an acute care to maintain a spiritual order." The pontiff also expressed his

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The mother, Mrs. Ronald Barr, was absent at the store only 10 minutes.

The boys' bodies were scarcely touched by the flames. They were found in the only room not swept by the fire.

Durette said the fire spread within seconds from one end of the basement to the other and then burned upward inside the walls to the floor immediately above. He believed the children died from asphyxiation.

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office here says northwesterly winds will bring drier and slightly colder air to the Maritimes today and the weather will be mainly fine.

Forecasts: Northern Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, sunny and a little colder; northwest winds 15. Low-high at New Glasgow and Charlottetown 25 and 32, Moncton 20 and 32, Fredericton 15 and 32, Saint John 20 and 32, Edmundston and Campbellton 15 and 25.