

# Nazi Navy Suffers Heavy Losses

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Weather Forecast  
Prince Rupert and  
Islands - Fair  
southeast winds with  
rain and not much change  
in temperature.

Tomorrow's Tides  
High ..... 2:55 p.m. 20.7 ft.  
15:35 p.m. 18.2 ft.  
Low ..... 9:35 a.m. 4.0 ft.  
21:30 p.m. 7.1 ft.

### REICH IS BOASTFUL

Communicate Claims Complete Success of Blitzkrieg In Scandinavia

### NORWAY RESISTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 10 (CP)—The Norwegian legation said today it had received apparently authentic word that the Norwegian government had decided to continue to resist the German invasion. This coincided with reports from Stockholm that Norwegian troops were deserting their government and their new capital at Hamar, fighting a fierce battle with invading German forces.

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### Meantime In Norway

Norway, which at first elected to remain neutral, the government moving to Oslo, ordering full mobilization and getting immediate Allied guarantees of aid, was reported to have decided to negotiate with Germany. The Norwegian parliament, the Premier of Norway announced, had decided to form a committee of three to negotiate with Germany, this committee consisting of two former members and the foreign minister. The Premier said, "the situation which seems to have developed may yet have a happy conclusion."

### King Haakon and the Premier

announced that they had resigned in favor of a new puppet Nazi government which was reported yesterday to have been set up by Germany.

### Germany claims that Norwegian resistance has been broken everywhere and that all ports on the Norwegian coast from Oslo in the north to Narvik on the Far North are under Reich control, all important air and naval bases having been occupied. German naval guns soon silenced Norwegian shore batteries, it is claimed, and, with the assistance of the Navy, thirty thousand or more German soldiers have been landed in Norway.

### Complete Success

All in all, Germany claims complete success of the twenty-four hour "blitzkrieg" in Scandinavia, thus accomplishing another step in the Hitlerian ambition for a complete domination of Europe. There is no intention, German authorities state, of interfering

# Sea Battle Is Proceeding off Norway Today

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### NO ALARM IN ITALY

Not Fearful Of Becoming Involved In War—Thinks Scandinavian Occupation German Victory

ROME, April 10:—Virginio Gayda, authoritative Fascist editor, says that the German occupation of Denmark and Norway is a major tactical victory over the Allies. Gayda sees no immediate danger of Italy becoming involved in war. This country will continue its policy of "wait and see" non-belligerence.

with the governmental or personal freedom of the people of either Denmark or Norway. They will not be made protectorates or even limited monarchies but will retain their full independence.

King Christian and the Danish Royal Family are all safe and the German Army will pay its respects to them.

### Germany Not After Sweden

Report Denied That Surrender Of Third Scandinavian Country Has Been Demanded

BERLIN, April 10:—Reports that Germany has now categorically demanded the surrender of Sweden are denied here.

### Three Killed In Explosion Which Hit Gas Plant

BRAINTREE, Massachusetts, April 10: (CP)—Three men were killed and at least thirteen were injured by an explosion at the Old Colony Gas Co. plant in East Braintree.

## War News

### WILL CONTINUE FIGHT

LONDON—Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax said today that the Allies will fight for "defenceless Norway" regardless of any Norwegian negotiations with Germany which would be regarded as taken "under duress." The statement was made after unconfirmed reports had been heard that Norway was ready to negotiate with Germany. Halifax said what had happened to Denmark and Norway should be an example to the Allies for aid before it became too late.

### SET UP PROTECTORATE

LONDON—Great Britain may set up a temporary protectorate over Greenland, Iceland and Faroe Islands in view of the situation whereby Denmark, to which they belong, has become "de facto enemy territory." Parliament of Iceland took full control of its foreign affairs today in view of the German occupation of Denmark to which Iceland is linked only by the crown. This amounts to virtual secession from Denmark.

### CANADIANS TO NORWAY

LONDON—The Canadian First Division, now at Aldershot, may form an important part of the British expeditionary force to Norway.

### WHY DENMARK QUIT

COPENHAGEN—The Premier of Denmark explains that Denmark decided not to resist the German invasion in order to save the country from "the consequences of a state of war and a severe blow of fate." Denmark had confidence in German assurance that its autonomy and integrity would be maintained.

### NORWEGIAN WARSHIPS SUNK

STOCKHOLM—Norway lost her two largest warships, antiquated vessels, the 4,166-ton coast defence ships Norge and Eidsvols and 500 men in the resistance to the German capture of Narvik yesterday, refugees reaching Stockholm reported. They said the German troops entered the port on whalers.

### GERMAN BOMBERS DOWN

LONDON—Royal Air Force fighter planes shot down two German Heinkel bombers off the northeast coast of England tonight while another German bomber was damaged in a fight over the English Channel.

### EMDEN IS SUNK

NEW YORK—The British Broadcasting Corporation said today that the German cruiser Emden was sunk in Oslo Fjord by Norwegian ships.

# Five Of Eight Cruisers Enemy Had at Start of War Are Gone; Great Naval Battle Continues

## Situation Is Still Tense In Southeast

PARIS, April 10:—The situation continues tense in the Balkans with nervousness in the small countries that Germany may embark upon aggression there as she has now done in Scandinavia. Seven German divisions totalling 100,000 soldiers are reported massed along the Danube River. Rome radio reports intercepted in London say that communications between Germany and Hungary have been severed.

## BREMEN IS SAID SUNK

Luxury German Liner, Being Used As Troopship, Victim Of War At Sea

LONDON, April 10: (CP)—Reuters News Agency, in a report from Amsterdam which could not be immediately confirmed, said yesterday it was rumored in the Netherlands that the German liner Bremen, evidently being used as a troopship, had been sunk off the south coast of Norway with 1300 men on board. The Daily Sketch also received advice that the Bremen had been sunk. The pride of the German trans-Atlantic fleet, the Bremen was a vessel of 51,731 tons, 898 feet long.

Joseph Goebbels, German propaganda minister, in a statement at Berlin, describes as a "deliberate lie" the report of the sinking of the German luxury liner Bremen.

There was some confusion at first as to whether the 12,000 ton German tanker Posidonia had been sunk but now it is believed the Posidonia was sunk. The Posidonia's distress calls had been confused with those of the German steamship Kreta which was torpedoed but was still afloat.

The 9,000 ton German ship Amasis, Oslo-bound with coal, is reported torpedoed and sunk off the Swedish coast which her crew reached safely.

## Sea Fight Statement Coming From Churchill Tomorrow—Winston Churchill to Tell Parliament About Fight Now On—Two German Warships Destroyed Off Norway

NEW YORK, April 10: (CP)—A London broadcast picked up by the National Broadcasting Co. quotes an "Admiralty announcement" that the British Navy has sunk five of eight cruisers Germany had at the start of the war. This report came out about the same time as the Stockholm radio announced tonight that a great sea battle was still raging outside of Swedish territorial waters near Marstrand on strategic Skagerrak. A large fleet of German transport ships was reportedly dispersed by the British Navy.

## Bulletins

### NEW NEUTRALITY ZONES

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt signed the proclamation redefining the combat area set up in European waters last November. The zone is extended to include Scandinavia.

### KING SAYS GOODBYE

BERLIN—A German news agency today said King Christian of Denmark received the British, French and Polish ministers in a farewell audience.

### SMELTER PROFIT

MONTREAL—The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company reported a net profit of \$9,339,585 for the year ending December 31, an increase of \$3,125,860 over the previous year.

## NO DETAILS ARE GIVEN

Actual Nature of Allied Assistance To Norway Being Kept Secret

LONDON, April 10: (CP)—Apart from saying that "powerful" naval units are at sea, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain said in the House of Commons that it was impossible to divulge what steps the Allies were taking to assist Norway in the war against Germany. The Prime Minister had said that Great Britain would extend "full aid" to Norway.

## North Sea Is Being Swept

British Navy is Clearing Decks For Action With Enemy

LONDON, April 10.—To give the British Navy a free hand to deal with the enemy, the North Sea is being swept clear of shipping. Even fishing boats are being ordered into control bases.

## Toronto Ties Up Stanley Cup Series

TORONTO, April 10: (CP)—The Stanley Cup series was tied up at two wins each last night when Toronto Maple Leafs defeated New York Rangers by a score of three to nil. It was the fourth game of the best out of seven series.

## Statement Tomorrow

The British Parliament has promised a statement for tomorrow by First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill on the sea battle off the Norwegian coast between the Allied and German navies. Meantime Germany claims to have inflicted severe damage on several Allied battleships. The British so far admit that two cruisers sustained minor damage when struck by splinters.

## Germany Officially Announces

the loss of two cruisers—the 10,000-ton Bleucher through running into a mine barrier after being damaged by Norwegian coastal barriers and the 6,000-ton Karlsruhe being sunk at Kristiansund by Norwegian shore guns after disembarking troops.

## Two British Destroyers—H.M.S. Hunter and Larkspur—have been sunk at Narvik on the far north coast of Norway in an engagement with German naval and aircraft. Several German merchant vessels have also been sunk there since yesterday.

## Naval action has been in progress somewhere near the Norwegian coast, evidently not far from Bergen, between the Allied and German fleets ever since yesterday, according to semi-official but authoritative quarters in London, Paris and Berlin.

## German Navy Trapped

Premier Paul Reynaud told the French Senate today that German ships which penetrated Norwegian ports are now blocked there by Allied squadrons and asserted that for the duration of the war not one ton of ore would leave Narvik for the Reich. Reynaud said that one-half of the German navy had, for the first time in the war, exposed itself to the Allies and, as a result, had suffered heavily. The invasion of Scandinavia was a complete failure as far as any advantage in the war was concerned, Reynaud declared.