INVASION ENDS LONG PEACE OF VIKING SONS IN SCANDINAVIA LAND

Nazi Onslaught on Norway Recalls Battling Norsemen of Other Days and Their Conquests

NEW YORK, April 23: (AP)— Fair-haired, blue-eyed fighters swarmed out of the foggy north centuries ago and struck terror into Europe. They were the Vikings—whose peaceful descendants today are fighting against being overwhelmed by the armed might of a Germany their forefathers nearly dominated. But the present Norway, Sweden and Denmark have till now enjoyed peace for many years. Twelve hundred years of warfare between then and now have demonstrated three things—that the Norsemen have always been formidable antagonists, given half a chance; that arms make the fighting man today as surely as they did then and that individual valor cannot beat numbers.

The first Norsemen probably migrated from the Eurasian steppes into a Scandinavia newly freed from glacial ice. Soon they built long ships and sailed for plunder as an easier way of life than farming their fjord-riven lands.

They battled into Britain, making it Angle-land. They plundered Paris. They settled Normandy. They ravished nearly every coast of Europe. Their nobles wielded power from Novgorod to Kiev and "Rus," the Slavic word for "Swedes," became the name for Russia.

Moved Swiftly

They could do all this because the inhabitants of the old empires had forgotten the use of arms and because the Vikings could strike swiftly and get away swiftly in their long ships.

Their ships carried them to America, as yet undiscovered by Columbus, to the world capital, Constantinople. Meanwhile, stay-at-home Vikings fought among themselves.

Petty kings ruled the northland then. Strife was constant. Norway was finally brought under the single rule of Harold Fair Hair in the tenth century. In the eleventh, Norway and Denmark were under one monarchy. Three centuries later, Norway, Sweden and Denmark were under a single crown. It was only in 1905 that Sweden recognized the independence of Norway.

Two Warrior Kings

As Europe built castles and learned again how to fight the Norsemen's power diminished. But Sweden fought with German states, with Russia, with Poland and with her Scandinavian neighbors and produced two fighting kings whose fame still rings.

In the 17th century it was Gustavus Adolphus who headed up the Protestant cause in Germany during the Thirty Years War. His infantry system and the religious fervor that inspired his troops helped make him one of the great captains of all time. But his army wore out from much fighting; he was killed at Lutzen in 1632.

In the 18th century it was Charles XII. He fought the Germans, the Poles and the Russians. By sheer genius and audacity he won battle after battle and humbled Russia. But his army wore out too and he died in an obscure siege.

Helped Beat Napoleon

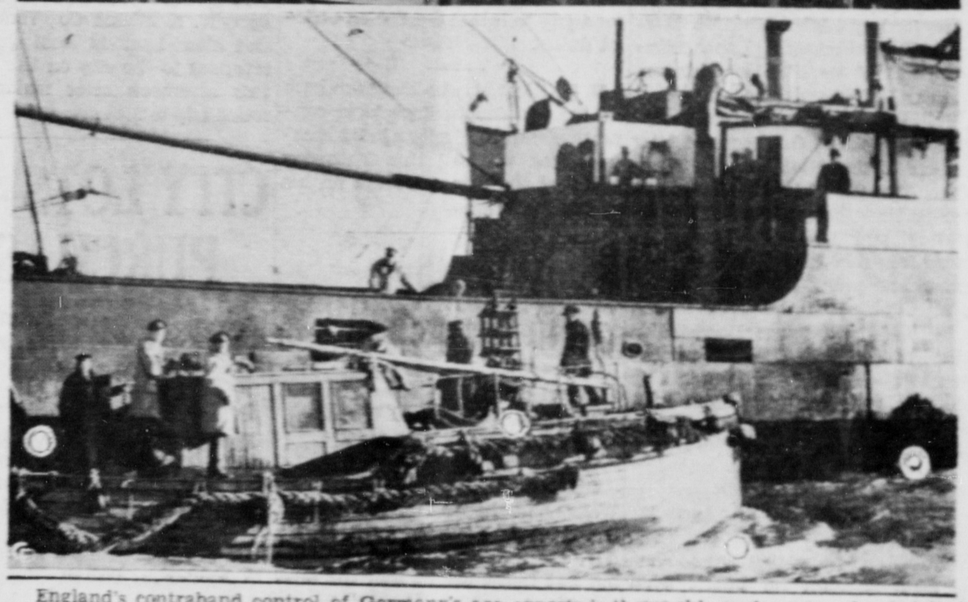
The might of Europe had grown too strong for even the valiant Swedes and they were outnumbered in the grand alliance that brought about the downfall of Napoleon. After that, Sweden fought no more wars.

The northlands still are riven by fjords and many modern Norsemen find they can gain a living more easily by sea than by shore. As a result they are great sailors and fishers. Also they are hewers of wood in their wide forests, delvers for ore in rich mines and harnessers of water power. But Sweden especially has rich industries and Denmark rich agricultural fields.

The Norsemen, moreover, have made a cult of peace. They stayed out of the First Great War, tried to stay out of this one. They developed co-operation among them—to develop co-operative plans of marketing and the literate and scientific arts.

They scarcely bothered to build armies or navies, even to the extent their few million inhabitants might have supported. Yet the artillery they manufactured was among the best in Europe.

BRITISH CONTRABAND CONTROL STOPPING GERMAN EXPORTS



England's contraband control of Germany's sea exports is thoroughly under way. A scene in a southern England contraband control base is shown, Top, with control officers at work in the intelligence room, making reports on the various merchandise they have taken from neutral vessels which had sailed from German ports with outbound German goods. A contraband control launch, Bottom, is pictured approaching a neutral vessel suspected of carrying German exports.

Many Tongues Balked Cupid

Three Interpreters Needed For Hearing In Hove, England

HOVE, England, April 23: (CP)—Three interpreters were required when Hove magistrates heard — and turned down—the application of 18-year old Elisabeth Szepessy to marry Andrew Kende, 37. The girl, a Czech, could speak that language only and Kende was a Jewish Czech.

The girl's parents, whose refusal of consent to the marriage led to the court application, spoke only Hungarian although the father knew a little German. Szepessy objected to the marriage because he wished to obtain a visa to go to Canada with his daughter and felt she had no prospects if she married Kende.

PICTURES ENJOYED

Dr. J. T. Mandy Provides Interesting Evening For Interdenominational Young People

The regular weekly meeting of the Interdenominational Young Peoples' Society was held last night in First Presbyterian Church Hall with a goodly number of young people and friends present. After conducting a brief worship service the president, Miss Winnie Cameron, introduced the guest speaker, Dr. J. T. Mandy.

With beautiful moving pictures, Dr. Mandy conducted a trip by boat from Victoria, Harrison Hot Springs and Vancouver to Prince Rupert which he called the "Gateway to the Great Northland." Scenes of Vancouver and Victoria gardens were displayed, chief among them being the roses in Stanley Park. The trip north to Prince Rupert, touching at such places as Alert Bay, Englewood and Port McNeil, was very beautiful. Arriving at Prince Rupert, a tour was conducted to points of interest. Halibut and herring fishing operations were witnessed and some excellent pictures of seagulls in action were enjoyed. An interesting feature included in the film was the Federal Building in each stage of its development from the time ground was broken until the construction job was completed.

The audience was then taken to some local gardens where many varieties of flowers were shown. Some interesting scenes were taken in Frank Dibb's rockery and the gardens of Walter Longwell, D. G. Borland, Thomas Priest and Theo Collart. The Court House grounds and police gardens were displayed and many beautiful moments were spent with Dr. and Mrs. Mandy in their garden at the different seasons of the year. The dahlia beds in Mrs. R. M. Winslow's garden were particularly fine as were those in C. P Balagno's garden. First year pictures of H. F. Pullen's garden on Third Avenue showed just what could be done along that line.

Glorious sunsets, common to Prince Rupert, in natural color were among the beauties of the film.

Dr. Mandy added further interest to the showing of the film by commenting on items of interest and proved that he really knew his gardens by naming each flower as it was shown.

A vote of thanks was given Dr. Mandy for "opening the eyes of the young people to the beauties that surround us here in Prince Rupert."

The meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King."

SYDNEY, Australia, April 23: (CP)—More than 50 Australian girls have flown to weddings in India, Singapore, Egypt and England since the war began. Their bridegrooms are members of the Australian fighting forces overseas.

SPORT CHAT

C. J. Mogridge, warden of Winchester Museum in England, has established proof that the first skating in Britain was done by Romans. A well-preserved pair of Roman skates of A.D. 200 period has been unearthed at Winchester. The skates were found in the peaty sub-soil 16 feet below the level of the ground in the centre of Winchester. The skates are of bone, possibly the shin bone of a horse or an ox, flattened and polished on one side by contact with the ice and roughly fashioned to fit a Roman sandal. Both skates are turned up at the toe. Holes bored through the bone suggest that the skates were held tightly by cords.

One of the least exciting championship boxing matches on record was fought a year ago last week in Los Angeles when Joe Louis knocked out Jack Roper of Hollywood. The outcome of the west coast city's first heavyweight title fight was a surprise to few of the 25,000 fans and Louis left almost immediately to train for his meeting with Tony Galento in June.

Baseball Standings

National League

	W	L	Pct
Cincinnati	4	0	1000
Brooklyn	2	0	1000
Pittsburg	2	0	1000
Philadelphia	1	0	1000
Chicago	2	5	.286
St. Louis	1	4	.200
Boston	0	1	.000
New York	0	2	.000

American League

	W	L	Pct
Boston	4	1	.800
Philadelphia	2	1	.667
Cleveland	2	1	.667
Detroit	4	2	.667
New York	1	1	.500
Chicago	2	3	.400
St. Louis	2	4	.333
Washington	0	4	.000

GENERALS WIN C

Oshawa Takes World's Hockey Championship F ond Consecutive Ye

WINNIPEG, April 23: Oshawa Generals retai Memorial Cup, symbolic dian junior hockey cham by defeating Kenora Thu night by a score of four the fourth game of the of five series. Oshawa games and allowed single victory.

The Generals win the being the first team to Memorial Cup twice con

KIRKLAND WINS T

Blue Devils Swamp Calgary peders In Second Allan Game

TORONTO, April 23: Kirkland Lake Blue Devils it two straight wins last the best out of five final for the Allan Cup by over ing the Calgary Stampeders The Blue Devils had won game Saturday night 8 to 1 land Lake needs only one victory.

Baseball Score

National League

Cincinnati 6, St. Louis 1.
Pittsburg 9, Chicago 5.

American League

Cleveland 5, St. Louis 2.
Detroit 6, Chicago 5.

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