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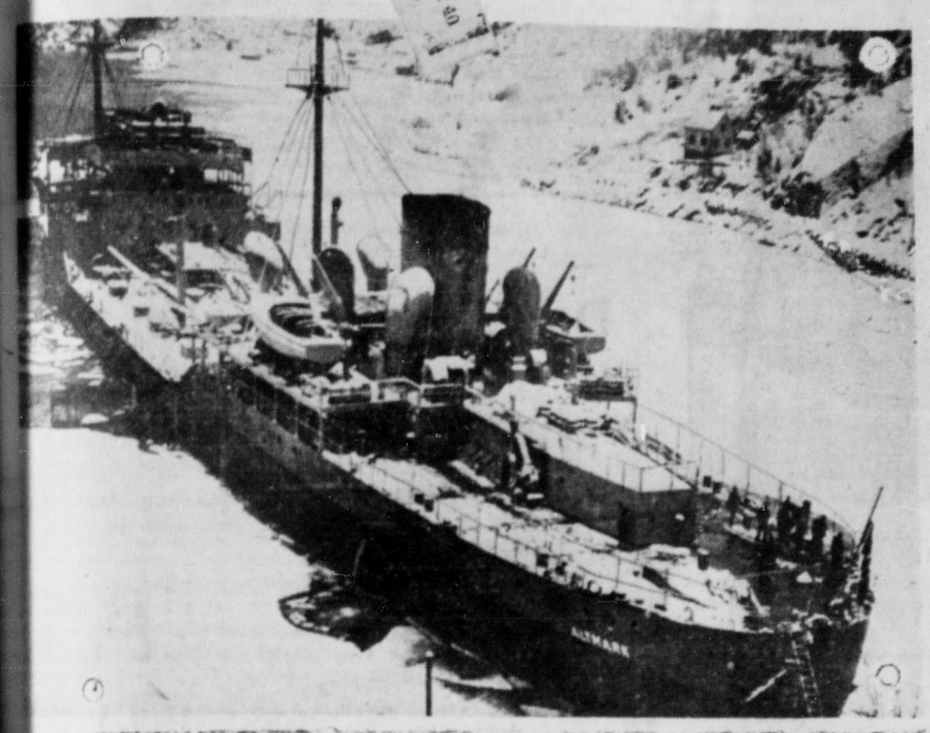
Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands — Fresh southeast winds, cloudy and cool with occasional showers.

Tomorrow's Tides

High	2:25 a.m.	21.0 ft.
	14:59 p.m.	19.0 ft.
Low	9:00 a.m.	3.8 ft.
	20:56 p.m.	6.3 ft.

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NAZI SLAVE SHIP AGROU... WERE BOARDED BY BRITISH



The Nazi prison ship Altmark is pictured fast in the ice of Jossing Fjord, Norway, after she was boarded by tars from the British destroyer Cossack in violation of Norwegian neutrality. The Altmark, which served as an auxiliary to the late German pocket battleship Graf Spee, carried 326 British seamen in her holds. The men, crews from ships sunk by the Graf Spee, were freed and brought to Scotland by the Cossack. The action of the British brought about an exchange of notes by the three nations involved and was one of the incidents leading up to the present situation.

Lightning Move By Hitler In Extending War to Scandinavia; Copenhagen And Oslo Taken

MASTERY OVER SEA

Breat Britain Able to Buy Goods Anywhere in World—Germany Practically Cut Off

LONDON, April 8.—Thanks to its undisputed mastery of the seas following the start of the war, Great Britain is now in a position where it can buy goods in any part of the world and deliver them to the Allies, declared Hon. Edward Leslie Burgin, minister of supply, in a statement.

Mr. Burgin's statement was made co-incidental to an announcement from Washington D.C. to the effect that there had been tremendous increases in exports of American goods to Great Britain and France since the war began while those to Germany had fallen off practically to the disappearing point.

One Country Yields Without Resistance But Other Elects To Fight—Assistance of Allies is Asked and Speedily Accorded

Chamberlain Says Navy Is In Action; Secret Moves

Sweden So Far Not Involved But May Be Soon, It Is Believed—Russia Sees No Need to Take Hand in Conflict

Highlights Of Situation As War Extends To North

Germany invaded Denmark and Norway during the night.

Denmark has accepted German "protection" under protest and the Nazis have taken over Copenhagen and other important points without resistance.

Norway has declared war on Germany and is "defending itself to the best of its ability." German troops have been landed on the Norwegian coast. Oslo and other Norwegian cities were bombed from the air last night. Despite resistance of shore batteries, German naval craft have entered Oslo Fiord and the city was reported occupied today, seat of government being moved to Hamar.

Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain told British Parliament today that British naval units were engaged in defence of Norway against German aggression but it was not in the public interest to give details at this stage.

Soviet Russia sees no reason for armed intervention in Scandinavia at this time. The Soviet intends, says a statement, to fight neither German or Allied battles and intends to take no action unless Soviet frontiers are menaced.

Although Germany was reported to have mined its coast. Sweden had not become definitely involved up to this morning although a state of emergency had been declared and expectation was that it too would soon be in the war.

NAZIS TAKE OVER OSLO

Norwegian Capital Yields To Germany—Half Of Population Evacuates

STOCKHOLM, April 9: (CP)—Oslo surrendered at 7 o'clock this morning Pacific Standard Time. The Norwegian Army was reported guarding the defence line between Oslo and Hamar which is the new capital.

Fully half the population is reported to have left Oslo before the surrender.

The Germans landed from warships along the harbor.

Reports are also confirmed of German troops landing at Trondheim, Bergen and Vallo, Kristiansund on the northwest coast being bombed.

Now Turning To Balkans

BELGRADE, April 9: (CP) — The German government, it is learned on high authority, has demanded that JugoSlavia, Bulgaria and Roumania accept German river police along the entire length of the Danube River.

ENVOY IS ARRESTED

British Minister To Copenhagen Is Being Held With His Staff By Nazis

LONDON, April 9: (CP)— The German radio is reported to have announced that Howard Smith, British minister to Copenhagen, and his staff have been made prisoners.

Norway Is In Good Heart

LONDON, April 9: (CP)— The British Foreign Office is said authoritatively to have re-established communications with Norway and that the Norwegian government is "in good heart and bent on resistance to the end."

War News

NEW GOVERNMENT NORWAY

BERLIN — A German news agency announced in a dispatch from Oslo that a new Norwegian government had been formed. The proclamation giving effect to the change was read from the Oslo radio station by Major Vidkin Quisling, head of the Norwegian Nazis, who declared he was head of the new government.

FIGHT TO VICTORY

LONDON—In a message to the Norwegian people Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax declared today: "Side by side Great Britain and Norway will fight on until victory is attained."

AIR BATTLE RAGES

LONDON — Reuter's News Agency reported from Stockholm tonight that an air battle was raging over the eastern shore of Oslofjord, Norway.

Events moved rapidly during the night as the European war extended to Scandinavia with Germany invading Denmark and Norway. Denmark agreed to accept German "protection" under protest in the special circumstances and offered no resistance. Norway, on the other hand, when German warships endeavoured to enter Oslo Fjord, resisted with shore batteries and immediately declared a state of war against Germany, appealing for Allied aid which was immediately assured. The resistance of Norway, however, was short-lived for today occupation of Oslo by the Germans was announced with government headquarters being removed to Hamar, an inland city about eight miles to the north. Communications to Scandinavia were interrupted during the night and the scope of the Norwegian resistance was not immediately ascertained although, before capitulating, Oslo, Bergen and Kristiansund were reported to have been air raided.

The invasion of Denmark, according to Exchange Telegraph News Agency, started without notice last night when German troops crossed the Schleswig frontier. The Danish garrison at Sonderburg immediately retreaated north without offering resistance. Meantime, three German cruisers entered Middlefahrt Harbor and soldiers were landed, occupying the streets of the port city. Soon Nazi warships were at Copenhagen which also capitulated without resistance.

A German news agency dispatch from Copenhagen to Berlin said that King Christian and Premier Stauning of Denmark this afternoon addressed a proclamation to the Danes asking them to refrain from untoward acts and to maintain a calm attitude. At the same time the people were assured that Denmark was submitting to invasion under protest.

The first intimation that Norway had declared war came when Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, American minister to Norway, notified the Department of State at Washington that the Norwegian foreign minister had informed her that Norway was at war with Germany. This was after Norwegian shore batteries had resisted three German warships which were attempting to force their way into Oslo Fjord. Later, apparently, the resistance crumbled, the German warships got through, Nazi troops were landed and a Berlin announcement said that the city had been occupied, and barricades put up to prevent mass evacuation. However, the government had moved to Hamar.

During the night German planes were reported to have bombed Oslo. Prior to this the capitol city had been blacked-out, the black-out order later extending to the entire Norwegian coastline.

Meanwhile, German troops were being landed on the south coast of Norway.

A fleet of one hundred German naval vessels was reported speeding towards Norway. In this fleet, consisting largely of armed trawlers and mine sweepers, were also said to be two large cruisers and a pocket battleship.

Mrs. Harriman, the American minister to Norway, announced that the American legation had been asked to take over legation duties in Oslo of Great Britain and France.

CHAMBERLAIN SPEAKS

Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain told British Parliament today that Denmark had capitulated to Germany. Norway, having declared war against Germany, had appealed for Allied assistance which was immediately assured. Powerful British naval units were already at sea to engage in defence of Norway against German aggression. It was not in the public interest to disclose details of naval and military operations at this time, the Prime Minister stated.

It was suggested unoficcially that an Allied army of 100,000 men which had been ready to leave for Finland might be dispatched to Norway.

Prime Minister Chamberlain said that there was no information as to the fate of King Christian of Denmark and his family.

The Prime Minister charged Germany with not only planning the invasion of Norway and Denmark but of putting the plan into operation before Great Britain and France laid mine fields in Norwegian territorial waters. He declared it would have been impossible for German landing forces to be at the selected points far up the Norwegian coastline unless they had left German bases before the British mines were laid.

BAR GOLD

LONDON, (CP)—The Montreal price of bar gold on the London market was unchanged today at $37.54 per fine ounce.

ACCOUNTS OF ALIENS

...es And Norwegians Cannot Withdraw Until They Have Been Checked Up

OTTAWA, April 9: (CP)— The government announced today that financial institutions in Canada had been asked to communicate with the custodian of alien property before allowing withdrawal from Danish and Norwegian accounts of any character to residents of those countries.

DYNAMITE ON DANUBE

...itish Authorities Deny German Allegation of Sabotage Plan

BUCHAREST, Roumania, April 9: (CP)—British authorities said yesterday that dynamite aboard British barges halted on the Danube River had been shipped to Roumania to blow up Allied river vessels in event of German invasion. German claims that Great Britain intended to block the Danube by sinking craft were denied. Germany alleged that British engineers were involved in a sabotage conspiracy.

Conference Of Allies

PARIS, April 9: (CP)—After an early morning war cabinet meeting, Premier Paul Reynaud and Former Premier Edouard Daladier, now Defence Minister, left for London to act jointly with British leaders in guiding Allied policy on the new Scandinavian war front. Reynaud and Daladier represented France at a meeting of the Supreme War Council in London today, an official statement in London being to the effect that the meeting was to consider the German invasion.

Halibut Sales

American

Sentinel, 25,000, 8.8c and 6c, Booth.

Nordic, 33,000, cleared for Seattle.

Hazel H., 18,000, 9c and 6c, Royal.

Canadian

Covenant, 20,000, 8.9c and 6c, Storage.

Kyrelle, 10,000, 8.8c and 6c, Pacific.

Arlington, 5,200, 8.8c and 6c, Royal.

Fearnot, 3,300, 8.9c and 6c, Storage.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Big Missouri, 10.45.
Bralorne, 10.45.
Cariboo Quartz, 2.60.
Dentonia, .01¼.
Fairview, .01½.
Gold Belt, .23.
Hedley Mascot, .45.
Minto, .04¾.
Paicfic Nickel, .10.
Pend Orielle, 1.75.
Pioneer, 2.35.
Premier, 1.30.
Privateer, .65.
Reeves McDonald, .19.
Reno, .30.
Relief Arlington, .06.
Salmon Gold, .03.
Sheep Creek, 1.08.

Oils

A. P. Con., .18.
Calmont, .37.
C. & E., 2.01.
Freehold, .02⅝.
Home, 2.65.
Royal Can., .17½.
Okalta, 1.20.
Mercury, .07.
Prairie Royalties, .19.

Toronto

Cons. Smelters, 43.75.
Aldermac, .09½.
Beattie, 1.08.
Central Pat., 2.15.
East Malartic, 3.65.
Fernland, .04.
Francoeur, .49.
Gods Lake, .48.
Hardrock, 1.08.
Int. Nickel, 43.50.
Kerr Addison, 2.48.
Little Long Lac, 3.00.
McLeod Cockshutt, 2.16.
Madsen Red Lake, .47.
McKenzie Red Lake, 1.28.
Moneta, .68.
Noranda, 74.37.
Pickle Crow, 3.45.
Preston East Dome, 2.20.
San Antonio, 2.35.
Sherritt Gordon, .95.
Uchi, .65.
Bouscadillac, .03½.
Mosher, .07.
Oklend, .06¾.
Dominion Bridge, 37.00.

Anglo-German Naval Battle Off Coast Of Norway; Huge German Warship Said Sunk

LONDON, April 9: (CP)—It is stated authoritatively that a naval engagement is understood to be in progress between Allied and German fleets along the Norwegian coast. ..... Unconfirmed reports from Stockholm via Amsterdam said that a 26,000-ton German battleship had been sunk. The dispatch said that other German warships had also possibly been sunk but gave no details.

From northern Sweden it is reported that at least two German ships were sunk at Narvik which has been the base for shipment of Swedish ore to Germany. Fifteen German cargo vessels are reported trapped there.

Inspector-General Of Canadian Army Is Expected Here

An earl visit to Prince Rupert by Major General E. C. Ashton of Ottawa, inspector-general of Canadian military forces, is expected. Major Ashton is at present at Victoria.