

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD -----

WASHINGTON 11 December, 1942

Subject: SS ARKANSAS; misconduct of certain officers and members of the crew.

Reference:

Summary of Information:

Coast Guard Headquarters has been informed that John D. BARTLOW. 2nd Mate, license No. 168153, certificate of identification Z-105219. Deems G. CAPPS, 3rd assistant engineer, license No. 129827, certificate of identification 2-123722, both officers on the Subject vessel, deserted that vessel on 24 November, 1942 efter signing on at New York for 12 months articles and after the Master had issued orders that no shore leave was to be granted. Thomas Kennedy, A.B., certificate of identification No. Z-72354-Dl also deserted the Subject vessel. Their acts caused the vessel to miss her scheduled convoy.

In the event these persons are located they should be advised to communicate with the District Coast Guard Officer, 3rd Naval District in connection with the above incident.

In view of the nature of the charges it may be advisable to consider the possibility of denying the aforementioned persons access to vessels and waterfront facilities until such time as they answer the charges pending against them.

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Evaluation:

Source: Reliable Information: Reliable

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