

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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MERCHANT VESSEL BOARDING REPORTConfidentialConfidential

DATE BOARDED: 9-25-44 BOARDED AT: Sav. Ga. DATE OF REPORT: 9-25-44

VESSEL: S. S. "FRANK P. WALSH" NO. IN CREW: 40

CREW CHECK: NEGATIVE: _____ POSITIVE: (See Below) XXXX

OPERATIONS IN PORT: Loading

ITINERARY: Vessel departed Savannah, Georgia, at 1445, enroute to

U. K.

1. Crew list was checked through the files of the DIO, 6ND, with the following results:

Arthur A. BROWN Z-27955 is listed in MMSL for 1 Sept., 1944 which terms him as deserter, agitator, communist, and is an undesirable crew member, probably a member of the Communist Party. Files disclose further that subject caused his ship to miss convoy because of unreasonable rejection of the ship's meat supply subsequent to the Convoy's departure practically the entire order of meat previously refused was accepted by SUBJECT and by the crew which had previously upheld SUBJECTS action inasmuch as it enabled them to get 10 additional days in port at full pay and with no word to do it is believed that the above incident is the result of a plan formulated by the SUBJECT with the Ship's crew to delay the sailing of the vessel. Several instances of refusal to obey orders, drunkenness, and agitation. SUBJECT is believed to have been arrested in 1938 at Texas city, Texas on a narcotic-marijuana charge.

2. BROWN was interrogated by Boarding officer and Lieutenant King, Merchant Marine Hearing Officer and SUBJECT denied all charges mentioned in above dispatch.

3. At the request of Ship's Master and Agent, Strachan Steam-

DISSEMINATION: CIO (1)
DIO, 6ND (2)
DCGIO, 6ND (1)
File (1)

BOARDING OFFICER: J. "R" TODD

APPROVED: _____

HARVEY F. JOHNSON, JR.,
District CG Intelligence
Officer, 6th NavDist.

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COURSE: PRESENT
FORMER: (None)

EMPLOYMENT: PRESENT Chief Steward
FORMER Peeling Trades, Peoria, Ill.

BIRTH: [redacted]
SUMMARY: ship Co., SUBJECT was allowed to sail without further charges so as not to delay departure of vessel and a clearance endorsement placed on his Maritime Documents.

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INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
COAST GUARD HEADQUARTERS

NAVCG-2765

N: 40

(See Below)

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