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CHARGE: U. S. Office of Censorship intercepted a letter from Andes Copper Mining Company, Poverillos, Chile to Mr. J. McKinley, Manager Chile Steamship Company, Inc., 25 Broadway, New York, N. Y. in which the sender's General Manager encloses a letter addressed to himself dated January 18 from the Port Agent at Barquito, Chile. In his letter he states that he considers the captain in charge of addressee's tanker a dangerous man. This enclosed letter quotes numerous derogatory remarks made by Captain Funnemark, which remarks are anti-patriotic to the cause of the Americas, his contempt of of the American boys, bitter criticism and derogatory remarks about the U. S. Admirals and Generals, and his opinion that they are disinterested in the prosecution of the war, that for the suffering of his country England and the United States are to blame. Captain Funnemark also draws conclusions as to the United States losses of men in the armed services as compared with Jap losses, and criticises the cost and loss of time in placing guns on the ship. He makes very anti-British remarks. The writer has concluded that the Master possibly finds himself "on the wrong side of the fence in this emergency."

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