

SHIP: SS JOHN DICKINSEN

DATE OF OCCURRENCE: Sept. 14, 1942 to Svc. 9, 1942.

DATE OF ORIGINAL COMPLAINT: January 18, 1943

CREW INVOLVED: Garland Blair, Seaman

CHARGE: U. S. Customs in Sanfrancisco transmitted to U. S. Censorship a diary which had been intercepted in the possession of Garland Blair, whose home address was given as Elk City, Oklahoma. The diary reveals ship movements, sailing dates and ports of calls, excerpts from which follow:

"On the 22 of Sept I came aboard the SS DICKINSEN, the voyage was uneventful until on the 29 of Sept. they met a tanker and auxiliary vessel; Oct. 4th crossed the Equator and on Oct. 8th arrived at SAMOA. Oct. 14 pulled anchor, arriving at BRITISH Samoa, Oct. 15th. Oct. 21 left BRITISH SAMOA; and on Oct. 24 arrived at BANGOE TABUE, where unloading was started."

"Nov. 1 left BANGOE TABUE. Nov. 2 arrived at VIVALA. Nov. 7 left VIVALA for SOUTH AMERICA, and arrived at ANTOPAGASTA. Nov. 28 from there to ENCALADA arriving Dec. 1. Dec. 9 arrived at EQUADOR." The diary ends on this date.

Censorship returned the diary to U. S. Customs with recommendation that it be condemned.

There were no other pertinent details given.