



BACK IN OPERATION after emergency repairs by the Army Corps of Engineers, the Port of Anchorage quickly unloaded cargo off the Tonsina, shown docked at the port. The vessel was the first to bring supplies to the stricken area. (Army photo)

## Three Ships Now In Port

### Iliamna Joins Tanker, Navy Ship At Facility

Alaska Steamship Company's vessel Iliamna arrived in the already-busy port of Anchorage today.

E. A. Harned, port director, said two other ships also were in port. They are the U.S.N.S. Schuykill and the Military Brown, Standard Oil of California tanker.

The Tonsina, Alaska Steamship, is expected Sunday and the firm's Fortuna is scheduled to arrive either at Whittier or Anchorage by about April 20.

Three Puget Sound-Alaska Van Line vessels are expected in Anchorage or Whittier between Thursday and Sunday. One, the Engle, will arrive Friday on her first trip to Alaska.

Three tandem Alaska Freight Line barges are due today, next Tuesday and April 27 with a single AFL barge due May 3.

The first Sea-Land vessel is due in Anchorage early in May. This firm has contracted to provide scheduled carrier service to the Port of Anchorage.

Longshoremen are working round the clock to unload the vessels, Harned said.

## Trailership Firm Coming To Anchorage

ELIZABETH, N.J. (UPI)—Sea-Land Service Inc., a pioneer in trailer transportation by ocean-going ships, announced plans today to expand its scope of operations to Alaska.

Two of the company's C-4 trailerships will enter the Seattle-Anchorage trade in mid-May with weekly sailings.

Company officials announced that Alaska-bound freight can be loaded in Sea-Land's 35-foot trailers anywhere in the industrial East for movement on Pacific Coast-bound trailerships and final transshipment to Alaska on the C-4 trailerships.

The ships destined for Alaska are the "combination" type. Sea-Land officials said the ships are capable of transporting 166 highway containers for packaged goods with 425,000 cubic feet of conventional vessel space.

## Big Shipping Firm to Start Service to Anchorage Port

Sea-Land Services, Inc., a major shipping firm, is scheduled to start service to the Port of Anchorage Municipal Terminal next month.

SEA-LAND officials and City Manager Robert Oldland said today they had reached a contract agreement. Oldland said a contract will be presented to the City Council for consideration Tuesday night.

The first Sea-Land shipment to Anchorage is set for the first week in May. Service will be weekly.

Basic contract details call for Sea-Land to pay the City \$300,000 a year for preferential berthing rights plus \$1 a ton after the first 250,000 tons each year.

RENT ON storage space will be under a separate contract with the industrial park complex being developed in conjunction with the port operation.

Oldland said plans also call for the city to construct a warehouse which will be leased and amortized over the years by Sea-Land.

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shipment to Alaska on the C-4 trailerships.

THEY SAID the ships are capable of transporting 166 highway containers for packaged goods and have 425,000 cubic feet of conventional vessel space for hauling vehicles, building materials and other large and heavy articles.

With the service to Alaska, Seattle also becomes a new port of call for Sea-Land. A new truck terminal and other facilities are being constructed in Seattle now for the operation.

## Council Gets Port Report

A report on Port of Anchorage municipal terminal activities and potential is being prepared for presentation to the Anchorage City Council when it meets tonight.

A memorandum dealing with ice-breaker service in Cook Inlet also is scheduled to go to the council.

Consideration of the port as the city's first area of development is underlined by action being taken by city officials.

Applications for two Accelerated Public Works projects have gone to the Housing and Home Finance Agency. Funds are available on a 50-50 matching basis.

Matching funds are sought to pave the port access road, at a total cost of \$150,000, and to develop the industrial park area for use by Sea-Land, at a total cost of \$150,000. City Manager Robert Oldland said today.

A planning grant of \$100,000 is sought from the HHFA for design of a permanent POL (petroleum, oil and lubricants) facility at the port. The city has tentatively filed an application for \$1.5 million to build the facility, Oldland said.

The council will hear protests on assessments in its role as board of equalization, will consider emergency legislation allowing for temporary commercial occupancy and to expedite zoning matters, will take action on four tidelands applications.

## Fuel Line Is Broken

A break in a fuel line from the Port of Anchorage to the Army tank farm on Government Hill has not halted discharge of fuel from a Standard Oil Co. tanker in the port, according to Jim Cahill, Port of Anchorage terminal manager.

The break in the line, filled with gasoline, may have been caused by a sharp earthquake early today, it was reported. The break was discovered when gasoline was found seeping to the surface of the visitors parking lot behind the dock.

Work is now underway to repair the line break and Anchorage Fire Department equipment is standing by to reduce fire hazard.

The line had been used by an Army tanker which completed discharging its cargo and departed about 7 a.m.

## Action Due On Tidelands

Resolutions confirming preference rights of four applicants for tidelands on the Anchorage waterfront will be considered in a special City Council session tonight.

The meeting, set for 3 p.m. today, was postponed to 10 p.m. to allow Mayor George Sharrock to attend.

Sharrock, who has been in Washington, D.C., is expected to return this evening.

## First Foreign Vessel Is Due At City's Port

The Japanese Motor Ship Shinsei Maru is due in the Port of Anchorage municipal terminal Saturday.

Arrival of the Japanese vessel, operated by Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd., of Kobe, is the first foreign ship to visit the Port of Anchorage this year.

The Fortuna, Alaska Steamship Line vessel, was in the port today.

## Not the Time to Speak of Taxes

THE COUNCIL YESTERDAY afternoon, in holding to the 11 mill levy, put itself in tune with the majority of the populace who at this particular moment look askance upon any extraneous taxation.

Indeed, the people of Anchorage feel that they will be living for some time in great uncertainty over their fiscal future. An extra assessment for the purpose of adding improvements or enlargements to the port appears to them extremely ill-timed and superfluous.

In fairness to councilmen who earlier held out for the extra mill it should be explained that the circumstances behind seeking the increase came prior to the earthquake disaster and at a time when

port accountants seemed highly desirable. They still are, but many people feel they can be put off until we see how the land lies.

WE FEEL THAT THE Sea-Land people, whose new operating contract was in final discussion stages at the time of the quake, will go along with Anchorage on this matter. Surely, as future business people of our community, they will be willing to make some small sacrifice along with the hard hit city.

Any potential tax increase at this time should be held in reserve until the recovery picture clarifies itself. We may need all the money we can put together for some very basic essentials.