

SØE-LIEUTENANT SELSKABET.

176' forsamlingsår, 12' møde.

16 feb 1960.

Uddrag af diskussion efter
foredrag af Rear Admiral Townsend.

Commodore Westrup: Would it be possible to station outside support ships in Baltic ports?

Foredragsholderen: Reserves are a luxury and the other countries, U.K., France, Belgium, Holland, etc. have very few ships, but there will be a strong fleet in the Atlantic with an atomic strike capability. You must remember, that the first job in the Baltic is mine laying.

Capt. Haugsted: Where is Bornholm placed in your strategic survey of the Baltic?

Foredragsholderen: I mentioned subs and offensive minelaying in that area, but I think that the western Baltic, south of Falster and Låland will be a better sneaking-in place than Bornholm area.
Remember, that you can not live without air-support and I do not think that our ships could live that far east.

Lt. Cdr. Rodholm: I see in Jane's Fighting Ships, that the Germans are building a large number of depot and repair ships. The reason for this must be that the German Navy reckons that their shore-bases will be overrun. Do you consider, Sir, that we in Denmark ought to have more depot-ships and repair-ships, or can we do with our 3 bases: Copenhagen, Frederikshavn and Korsør?

Foredragsholderen: Jane is not always right, but even if it is, this question will be of an entirely national character.

Commodore Saabye: What about cooperation with Sweden, if she is drawn with into war?

Foredragsholderen: I am not a NATO commander and I am not in a position to plan on that.