

## AVALANCHE IN NORWAY KILLS 21

Death came to the village of Sigerfjord, in the Lofoten Islands, on the north west coast of Norway. One of three avalanches hereaboutz overwhelmed the village and at least 21 people lost their lives.

Though the islands are north of the Arctic circle the sea water of the fjords seldom freezes. <sup>The</sup> Tide-races ~~in~~ the narrow <sup>channels</sup> ~~waterways~~ help to prevent that. Some houses were thrust bodily into the water by the avalanche.

Four bodies were quickly recovered, 7

Rescuers knew that only a miracle could prevent the deaths

of 17 people missing. The miracle did not happen. ~~God-~~  
~~afford~~

~~fisheries~~ ~~gave~~ the people of these distant islands a prosperous livelihood, and that is almost their only connection

~~with the outside world.~~ It will be remembered that

British Commandoes raided the Lofotens during the war.

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