

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
COAST GUARD BASE LOS ANGELES

29 March, 1946

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MERCHANT MARINE  
INSPECTION DIVISION



To: The Commandant

Subj: Report of Oil Spill from SS CARLETON VICTORY in Los Angeles Harbor,  
19 March, 1946

Subject report is forwarded in compliance with instructions set forth in Headquarters letter of 26 October, 1945. Original copy of same was forwarded to the U.S. Army District Engineer, Los Angeles, this date.

1. In compliance with... subject, "Oil Pollution... the following is reported to you as... of June, 1946 (33 U.S.C.,...  
H. E. SOLOMON  
By direction

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Oil spill report on  
SS CARLETON VICTORY  
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2. The spill was reported to COMNAV Operations by a Customs Guard at 1300. The Oil Pollution Detail had not made a patrol as there was no boat available. S. Erickson, WMA, USCG, made investigation at approximately 1345, 30 March, 1946. He reported that the spill was nearly cleaned up by the time he arrived on the scene. He was unable to obtain names and names of witnesses at that time.

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LAW OFFICE  
DISTRICT COAST GUARD OFFICE  
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To: DCGO, LIND

Subj: Oil spill from SS CARLETON VICTORY in Los Angeles Harbor, 19  
March, 1946

1. In compliance with HQ letter of 26 October, 1945, subject, "Oil Pollution; peacetime law enforcement by U. S. Coast Guard," the following is reported to you as a violation of the Federal Oil Pollution Act of June 7, 1924 (33 U.S.C. 431-437).

2. At about 2150, 19 March, 1946, oil (apparently Bunker C Fuel Oil) was permitted to be discharged into the navigable waters of Los Angeles Harbor, from the SS CARLETON VICTORY, while this vessel was moored at Berth 107, and transferring bunker fuel oil aboard, to trim ship, preparatory to going into drydock. This vessel is of U.S. Registry, is owned by the War Shipping Administration, is of approximately 7,607 gross tons, 4,563 net tons, is approximately 455 feet in length, uses oil for fuel, and her local agent is the Isthmian Steamship Co. At the time of the spill her master was S. Chapman, her first mate was R. Bremer, and the Mate in charge at the time of the spill was R. Carey. Bunker C Fuel Oil was being transferred from #5 Port and Starboard deep tanks, and while making the transfer, #1 starboard tank and #2 center fuel tank overflowed onto deck, and over the side, both port and starboard forward. Pumping was immediately stopped, and clean-up crew called.

3. The spill was reported to COMPLA Operations by a Customs Guard at 1230. The Oil Pollution Detail had not made a patrol as there was no boat available. E. Erickson, BM3c, USCG, made investigation at approximately 1345, 20 March, 1946. He reported that the spill was nearly cleaned up by the time he arrived on the scene. He was unable to obtain samples and names of witnesses at that time.

G. B. GILLY

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