



UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
CAPTAIN OF THE PORT
FOR NEW YORK HARBOR AND VICINITY

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE
TO THE "CAPTAIN OF THE PORT"
ROOM 10, BARGE OFFICE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

16 March, 1942.

From: Captain of the Port of New York, Third Naval District.
To: Commandant.
Subject: Armed merchant vessels.

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1. The Panamanian CAVALCADE was inspected this date and the following armament was found on board:

GUNS AND AMMUNITION: 1-U.S. 4" Mark IX Mod V No. 899, 1918. Elevation 20° / 13. Arc of train 300°. Telescopic sights. Located special raised platform on stern. 96-rds. fixed ammunition. 1-emplacment for 3" gun; located special raised platform on forecastle head.

SMALL ARMS AND AMMUNITION: Machine gun mounts; 2-on wings of bridge; 1-on top of flying bridge. 4-Colt .45 pistols; 160-rds. ammunition.

MAGAZINE: 3" Magazine starboard side in forecastle space; flooded by sprinkler system. 4" Stowage space below steering engine room; flooded by sprinkler system.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION: Telephone. 1-Aldis (day) lamp.

PERSONNEL: 1-coxswain (Amer. Navy); 4-navy enlisted men. Balance taken from ships regular force.

MISCELLANEOUS: 4-steel helmets; 4-ser. gas masks; 1-convoy light; 3-bomb proof shelters, located 2-wings of bridge; 1-top of flying bridge; hull DeGaussed (wired)

2. It is the opinion of this office that the above-mentioned armament is carried for defensive purposes only, provided the vessel is employed in normal trade.

FOR DEFENSE

3. Inclosed are two (2) photographs of this vessel showing her guns and their location.

NOTE: No photographs if reinspected.

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