

San Francisco, California

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT

624 Appraisers Bldg.

(ops)

File: 66661

Subj: Merchant Vessel, Clearance of.

1. 12 February, 1946 at the following named vessel who signed on
Shipping Commission on the

to be cleared for foreign sailing.

To: DCCO, 12ND

To: United States District Engineer, Corps of Engineers,
74 New Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California, Bay.

Subj: California - SS CHARLES SCRIBNER.
Subj: Violation of Oil Pollution Act

Ref: (a) Comdt. USCG letter 26 October 1945, file CG-661 to All
DCCOs on subject of: Oil Pollution; peacetime law en-
forcement by United States Coast Guard. Photographs of

the SS CHARLES SCRIBNER showing the oil slick were taken and are attached
Attached hereto is a report of a violation of the Oil Pollution Act by
SS CHARLES SCRIBNER on 8 February 1946, which is forwarded for your
information and decision, in accordance with the instructions contained
in paragraph 3 (b) of reference (a).

After he was shown the oil in the water and the oil streak on the ship's
side, he checked with the 2nd asst. engineer who had been in charge of
fueling operations the night of 7 February 1946. The cause of the spill
was determined to be due to an air pocket forming in the fuel line which
caused oil to bubble out of the overflow. Approximately two barrels of
oil was spilled. Thompson was very cooperative and immediately
ordered the engineering force to clean up all oil as possible.

W. K. SCAMMELL
DCCO, 12ND
J. M. Brooks, CY, USCGR, Oil Pollution Inspector, CORP, and
Incl. State Wharfinger, Pier 9, San Francisco, are witnesses to the
Report of violation - SS CHARLES SCRIBNER

cc: CCMI
Comdt. CG

Incl. - Photographs (5)

W. J. JOHNSON, Lt. (jg) USCGR.,
USCG Shipping Commission.

San Francisco, California

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT

624 Appraisers Bldg. COAST GUARD INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

File: 6615

Subj: Merchant seamen; Clearance of.

1. 12 February, 1946 that the following named seamen who signed on Shipping Articles of 637 on the _____ be cleared for foreign sailing.

To: DCGO, 12ND

NAME Z NUMBER AGE NATIONALITY

Subj: Pollution of the navigable waters of San Francisco Bay, California - SS CHARLES SCRIBNER.

Peter J. Gourdin, Jr. 21
George A. Holling, Jr. 20
Earl W. Bennett 31
Ephraim Schuman 21
Thomas C. Green 21
Earl Green 21
Cecil C. R. 21
James E. M. 21
James B. Barwick 21
John E. Dickinson III 18
John H. W. 42
Danny J. 18
Olaf Nord 18
Joseph S. 18
Thomas E. 18
Henry B. 18
Eugene J. 18
Warren R. 18
Joseph E. 18
Thomas P. Fisher 18
Russell C. Dupris 18
Triford R. 18
Fred Johnson 18
George M. Reagan 19
Edward E. Roels 18
Horace Williams 24
Foster O. Happer 26
Fessel T. Jones 26
Thomas F. Wellner 37
James W. 20
Kevin T. Ryan 35
Dawson W. Bearden 25

2. On 8 February 1946, at approximately 0900, the State Wharfinger called the COTP office and reported an oil spill at Pier 9-N, San Francisco. On investigation by the COTP office it was found that the SS CHARLES SCRIBNER had an oil slick down the port side. Photographs of the SS CHARLES SCRIBNER showing the oil slick were taken and are attached to this report for your inspection.

3. The Chief Engineer aboard subject vessel, T. M. Thompson, was interviewed and he stated that he had no knowledge of the oil spill. After he was shown the oil in the water and the oil streak on the ship's side, he checked with the 2nd asst. engineer who had been in charge of fueling operations the night of 7 February 1946. The cause of the spill was determined to be due to an air pocket forming in the fuel line which caused oil to bubble out of the overflow. Approximately two barrels of oil was spilled. Thompson was very cooperative and he immediately ordered the engineering force to clean up all the oil possible.

J. E. Brooks, CY, USCGR, Oil Pollution Inspector, COTP, and the State Wharfinger, Pier 9, San Francisco, are witnesses to the incident.

Incl. - Photographs (5)

W. CONNER, Lt. (jg) USCGR.,
USCG Shipping Commission.