

JACK CARNES

8-30-42

OCEAN TANKER

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1. Position-Sea-Weather 42° 00'N, 29° 05'W; cloudy and moderate
2. Convoy or Independent Independent (ship in ballast and gas free)
3. Time & Kind of 1st Hit 2158 - 1 torpedo. (Previous to this hit vessel had been shelled but not hit at 0600 in 45° 35'N, 28° 02'W at which time armed guard drove sub off).
4. Location of 1st Hit Approximately #3 tank, starboard side
5. Effect of 1st Hit Extensive structural damage; vessel would not answer to helm even after it was switched from automatic to steering to the hand steering gear. Vessel was swinging steadily around to starboard. Vessel was in darkness after engines were stopped. Several rounds from forward gun fired in direction of attack.
6. Time & Reason for Abandonment or Why Not 2230 (32min)- ship beyond control since it could not be maneuvered and was severely damaged. Fear of further attack.
7. Persons Aboard- 56 Lost-28 (last seen in a lifeboat containing Master at 1930, 8-31-42; unheard from since.)
8. Time & Kind of 2nd Hit 2202 (4min)- 1 torpedo
9. Location of 2nd Hit Amidships, port side
10. Effect of 2nd Hit Extensive structural damage
11. Disposition of Vessel Sunk 2345 (1hr, 47min)- after 6 torpedoes
12. Time & Kind of 3rd Hit 2220 (22min) - 1 torpedo
13. Location of 3rd Hit Approximately #4 tank, starboard side
14. Effect of 3rd Hit Extensive structural damage.
15. Time & Kind of 4th Hit 2235 (37min)- 1 torpedo
16. Location of 4th Hit Approximately #6 tank starboard side, just aft of amidships house
17. Effect of 4th Hit Extensive structural damage
18. Time & Kind of 5th Hit 2305 (1hr, 7min)- 1 torpedo

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- 19. Location of 5th Hit Between #9 tank and bunkers, starboard side
- 20. Effect of 5th Hit Extensive structural damage
- 21. Time & Kind of 6th Hit 2335 (1hr, 37min) - 1 torpedo
- 22. Location of 6th Hit Approximately #5 tank, amidships, starboard side
- 23. Effect of 6th Hit Extensive structural damage, ship sunk

NOTE: Between 2155 and 2345 (1hr, 47min) on 8-30-42, vessel received 6 torpedoes - 3 before complete abandonment and 3 afterwards.

- 24. Effect of 7th Hit Extensive structural damage, vessel would not answer
- 25. Location of 7th Hit Approximately #4 tank, starboard side
- 26. Effect of 7th Hit Extensive structural damage
- 27. Time & Kind of 7th Hit 2330 (1hr, 30min) - 1 torpedo
- 28. Location of 7th Hit Amidships, port side
- 29. Effect of 7th Hit Extensive structural damage
- 30. Disposition of Vessel Sunk 2345 (1hr, 45min) - after 6 torpedoes
- 31. Time & Kind of 8th Hit 2330 (1hr, 30min) - 1 torpedo
- 32. Location of 8th Hit Approximately #4 tank, starboard side
- 33. Effect of 8th Hit Extensive structural damage
- 34. Time & Kind of 9th Hit 2335 (1hr, 35min) - 1 torpedo
- 35. Location of 9th Hit Approximately #6 tank starboard side, just aft of mid-ship house
- 36. Effect of 9th Hit Extensive structural damage
- 37. Time & Kind of 10th Hit 2305 (1hr, 5min) - 1 torpedo