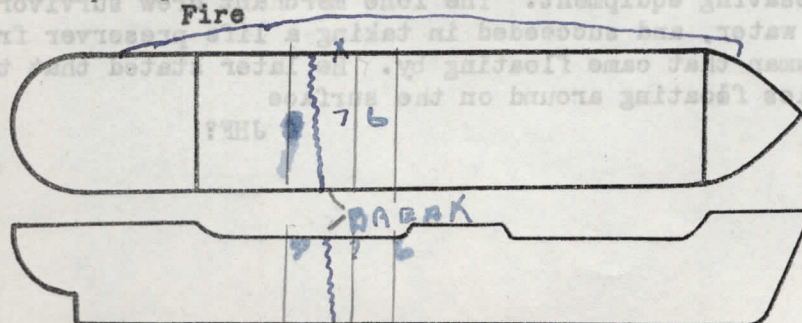


Ship /S **JACKSONVILLE** Service **OCEAN TANKER**
 Owner **WSA** Operator **DECONHIL SHIPPING CO.**
 Information furnished by **Fireman-Watertender** Date **3 February, 1945**

Line No.	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1	Year built and propulsion	Built 1944 Propulsion Steam
2	Tonnage	Gross 10,448 Net 6301
3	Draft loaded (maximum allowed)	Fwd. 30' 02" (M) Aft
4	Draft when attacked	Fwd. 30' (M) Aft
5	D. W. T. (Emergency Coastwise L. L.)	16,738
6	Cargo 42's capacity and carried	Capacity 141,158 Carried 141,000 BBLs.
7	Kind of cargo or tank ballast	Gasoline
8	Was ship gas-free? (Specify)	No, Loaded
9	Voyage	From New York To Loch Ewe, U.K.
10	Were routing orders followed	Yes
11	Any criticism of orders	No
12	Weather at time of attack	Weather Clear Sea Calm
13	Was enemy sighted? When	No
14	Any friendly ships in sight	Yes; convoy
15	Were navigation lights on	No; Daylight
16	Date and time of attack	Date 8-30-44 Time 1315
17	Position	Latitude 55° 30' N Longitude 07° 30' W
18	Nature of attack (Give data)	Torpedoed
19	Number of hits	1 (Probably 2)
20	Location of hits (Mark diagram)	1 - Aft (App. #7 tank 2/3/ Par. Bod.)
21	Effect of hits	Sank Ship
22	Was ship armed? What type	Yes; 1-3", 1-5", 8-20MM.
23	Was armament used? State result	No
24	Was oil sprayed over ship	Yes
25	Did cargo fire (Mark diagram)	Yes
26	Did tanks explode (Mark diagram)	Unknown
27	Was deck ruptured	Yes (CF Pictures)
28	Did ship break in two	Yes (CF Pictures)
29	Was SOS sent	No
30	Ship's speed	Normal 14.0 When attacked 14.0 When abandoned 14.0
31	Time abandoned, sunk	Abandoned 1316 (1 min) Sunk NOTED
32	Was ship reboarded	By whom No When
33	Was ship brought in	How No Approximate damage Sunk



Built at Portland, Ore

Fill in this diagram to show attack hits, fires, explosions, etc.

NOTED: Unknown time that for'd end sunk 15 hrs later aft end was sunk by shell fire and depth charges of escort vessels.

Indicate by star (*) rafts, floats, or suits used as temporary refuge in water before rescue by lifeboats.

Line No.	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
34	Lifeboats.....	Number carried 6 Which used 0
35	Lifeboats.....	Number lost 6 How Explosion and fire
36	Life rafts.....	Number carried 5 Which used 0
37	Life rafts.....	Number lost 5 How Explosion and fire
38	Life floats.....	Number carried 2 Which used 0
39	Life floats.....	Number lost 2 How Explosion and fire
40	Lifesaving suits.....	Number carried 50 Number used 0
41	Were boats, etc., attacked.....	Attacked No Casualties 0
42	Time in each boat, raft, etc.....	Boat -- Raft - Noted Float
43	Rescued by and where 2 survi.	By Allied Ship Where At scene
44	Number of gun crew carried (military).....	Officers 1 Enlisted men 28
45	Number of ship's crew carried.....	Officers 8 Radiomen 2 Unlicensed 39
46	Number of others carried.....	0
47	Total on board.....	78
48	Number of gun crew injured (military).....	Officers 0 Enlisted men 1
49	Number of ship's crew injured.....	Officers 0 Radiomen 0 Unlicensed 1
50	Number of others injured.....	0
51	Number of gun crew lost (military).....	Officers 1 Enlisted men 27
52	Number of ship's crew lost.....	Officers 8 Radiomen 2 Unlicensed 38
53	Number of others lost.....	0
54	Total casualties.....	Injured 2 Lost 76
55	Persons lost by (specify).....	{ Drowning 0 Fire 76 Shell or Torpedo 0 Other causes 0
56	Total rescued.....	{ Gun crew 1 Officers 0 Radiomen 0 Unlicensed 1 Others 0 Total 2 0
57	Persons saved by.....	{ Boats 0 Rafts 0 Floats 0 Suits 0 Preservers 2 Other means 0 No aid 0
58	Engineering watch below.....	Number on watch below 5 Number lost below 5
59	Number of lookouts.....	App. 8
60	Any defective material.....	No
61	Any personnel fault.....	No

COMMENTS, CRITICISMS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The comments, criticisms, or recommendations of survivors with respect to safety of seamen and ships involved in war actions are earnestly solicited by Headquarters in order that the fullest provision possible may be made for the safety of American ships and seamen.

NOTED: The ship was enveloped in flames 200' high 15 seconds after being hit, and there was no time to use any lifesaving equipment. The lone merchant crew survivor went directly overboard into the water, and succeeded in taking a life preserver from the charred body of a fellow crewman that came floating by. He later stated that there were many burned and charred bodies floating around on the surface

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