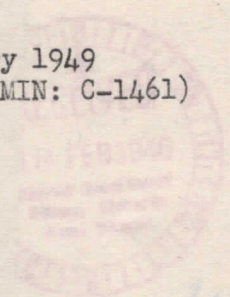


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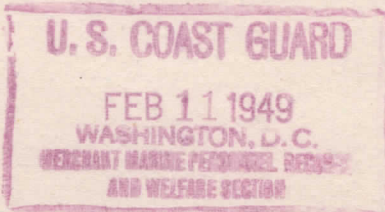


.From: Commander, 11th CG District (,)
To: The Commandant (MVP)
Subj: SS JOHN BALL; Oil Pollution Case, 14 June, 1945.

1. With reference to HQ letter of 28 January, 1949, file MVP-628-JOHN BALL, an examination of our files indicates that the vessel's name was placed on the "Ships Wanted" list in this district on 18 February, 1946, and removed from that list on 28 November, 1946, inasmuch as the vessel had failed to arrive at this port in the interval.

2. Since it was indicated in the complaint that the vessel was also being placed on the "Ships Wanted" list in the 12th CG District, it was assumed that the case had been disposed of at that port.

3. Complying with the request contained in HQ letter, the file, with inclosures, is being returned to HQ for appropriate disposition.



Edward Stuart
EDWARD STUART
By direction

Incl:
HQ file

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Place in station...

Case No. CG-MIN-628-12-45-PO-7864

Merchant Marine Hearing Unit
United States Coast Guard
Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California
13 August, 1945


IN THE MATTER OF OIL POLLUTION; SS JOHN BALL.

SOURCE OF COMPLAINT: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Base, Crockett, California.

FACTS: Based on the memorandum dated 14 June, 1945 to the Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Base, Crockett, California from Henry Edwards, BM 2c, it appears that the SS JOHN BALL had discharged about 20 barrels of oil over the side at about 1350, 14 June, 1945. The reason given to the Boarding Officer was that they had found water in the fuel oil tanks.

The report was not received at this office until 18 June, 1945 at which time an attempt was made to contact the SS JOHN BALL in an effort to ascertain whether the facts indicated a possible violation. It was then found that the vessel had departed 15 June, 1945.

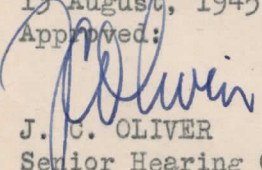
CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: This information is referred to Headquarters in order that this vessel may be contacted at the port of arrival in the United States. The name of the vessel has been put on the Ships Wanted List in this office.


CHARLES C. PLUMMER
Lt. Comdr., USCGR
Examining Officer

Incl
Memo dated 14 June, 1945 to
CO, CG Base, Crockett, Cal.

13 August, 1945

Approved:

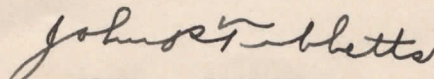

J. C. OLIVER
Senior Hearing Officer

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DCGO, 12ND
13 August, 1945

To: The Commandant (OMP) Coast Guard

Forwarded.


JOHN P. TIBBETTS
By direction

14 June, 1945

C-22006

MEMORANDUM TO COMMANDING OFFICER; COAST GUARD BASE; CROCKETT,
CALIFORNIA

Subj: Oil Slick; Suisun Bay

1350, 14 June - While patrolling area "S" we sighted liberty ship "JOHN BALL" drifting sideways in the main channel. 1355 the JOHN BALL had struck bouy #1. 1400 we boarded the JOHN BALL and found they had discharged about 20 barrels of oil over the side. Their reason for discharging the oil was that water had mixed with the oil in the fuel tanks. 1425 alongside of COLUMBINE and informed them that bouy #1 was extinguished. 1430 informed CGB-60018-F of oil slick, standing by CGB-60018-F breaking up oil slick. 1515 moored to Benicia and contacted Crockett base by land phone.

(Sgnd) Henry Edwards

Henry Edwards, BM 2c

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

23 January, 1949
CG-628-JOHN BALL

AIRMAIL

12 February, 1946

FROM: Commandant

To: Commander, 11th C. G. District (m)

To: DCGO, 11ND

Subj: S.S. JOHN BALL; oil pollution case, 14 June, 1945

Subj: SS JOHN BALL; Oil Pollution Case, 14 June, 1945

1. The attached report concerning subject violation is for investigation and any action deemed appropriate in the premises.

2. The SS JOHN BALL is expected to arrive at San Pedro on or about 25 February.

Your office is requested to advise the file forwarded on 12 February, 1946 be returned so proper disposition may be made of this pending case.

G. H. BROACH
By direction

Incl

MMHU Report, San Francisco, Calif.

13 August, 1945, case CG-MIN-628-12-45-FO-7864

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE COMMANDANT
REFER TO FILE:

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

28 January, 1949
MVP-628-JOHN BALL

From: Commandant
To: Commander, 11th C. G. District (m)
Subj: S.S. JOHN BALL; oil pollution case, 14 June, 1945

1. HQ records indicate no action subsequent to the forwarding of subject case to the Commander, 11th C. G. District by letter dated 12 February, 1946, copy inclosed.
2. It is requested that HQ be advised of any action which may have been taken by your office in connection with this case and that the file forwarded on 12 February, 1946 be returned so proper disposition may be made of this pending case.

C. H. BROACH
By direction

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