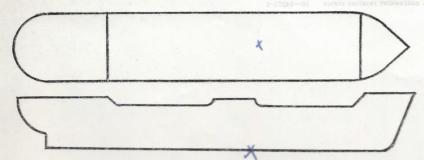
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| Own | er W.S.A. | Operator STANDA | RO FRUIT SS CO. | .33. | |
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| Info | rmation furnished by MASTE | FR C MAN C MAN AND MAN | Date 4 OCTOBER 1944 | 34 | |
| LINE No. | QUESTIONS | Q. Lean radman/ | | | |
| 1 | Year built and propulsion | Built 1942 | Propulsion STERM | 86 | |
| 2 | Tonnage | Gross 2191 | Net 4360 | 87 | |
| 3 | Draft loaded (maximum allowed) | Fwd 27'8%"(n) | Aft 27'878 | | |
| 4 | Draft when attacked | Fwd /3'(M) | Rescued by and where | 88 | |
| | Cargo on board (any deck) | Nature BALLAST - SAND | | 39 | |
| 5 | Voyage | From NEW YORK, N.Y. | To ARZEW, ALGIERS | 40 | |
| 6 | Original Property of the Prope | AT ANCHOR IN ALGEC | Lyumber passengers and others carried | TER | |
| 7 | Were routing orders followed | | | 42. | |
| 8 | ny criticism of orders | Weather HAZY | Number gun erew injured (military) | 4.8 | |
| 9 | Weather at time of attack | | | | |
| 10 | Was enemy sighted? When | Passengers | Number passengers and others injured. | 45 | |
| 11 | Any friendly ships in sight | FES. | Number gun erew lost (military) | 91 | |
| 12 | Were navigation lights on | NO seed to the see | Number ship's crew lost | 47 | |
| 13 | Date and time of attack | Date 5/8/43 | Number passengers and others lost | 81 | |
| 14 | Position | Latitude GIBRALTER BAY A | | 49 | |
| 15 | Nature of attack (Give data) | MINED | Persons lost by (Specify) | 50 | |
| 16 | Number of hits | Other causes & | | | |
| 17 | Location of hits (Mark diagram) | I-MACH. | A should be about | 101 | |
| 18 | Effect of hits | EXTENSIVE DAMAGE A | OTE O Court total la | es. | |
| 19 | as ship armed? What type | YES. | | | |
| 20 | Was armament used? State result | NO. | rersons saved by | 26 | |
| 21 | Any explosions or fires* | Shipwoled delaw up redutivity | Cargo No | | |
| 22 | Was deck ruptured | V | woted holew garteematter | .60 | |
| 23 | Did ship break in two | YES NOTED | Number of look-outs | 196 | |
| 24 | Was SOS sent | YES | Any defective material | 55 | |
| 25 | Ship's speed | La companya de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la company | When abandoned | · NI | |
| 26 | Time abandoned, sunk | Abandoned N. A. | Any personnel fault | | |
| 27 | Was ship reboarded | By whom | | | |
| 28 | Was ship brought in BEACHED | C. T. L. | | | |



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

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NOTE () - EXPLOSION UNDER BOILER ROOM. VESSEL CRACKED ACROSS BOTTOM AND UP BOTH SIDES; ONE PLATE ON STARBOARD AND TWO PLATES ON PORT SIDE - HOLDING VESSEL TOGETHER.

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

| LINE No. | QUESTIONS | ES COAST GUARD | | THE MESSIE | | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------|--|
| 29 | Lifeboats | | Which used | NOT REALDENED | l | |
| 30 | Lifeboats | Number lost How | | | | |
| 31 | Life rafts | Number carried | Which used O | Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard | :oT | |
| 32 | Life rafts | 4 | - PELEDIGE | DV MINE EVOLASIAN - LATE | GRID | |
| 33 | Life floats | Number carried | Which used | RECOVE | nwO | |
| 34 | Life floats | Number lost | How | mation turnished by MASTE | rolaI | |
| 35 | Lifesaving suits | Number carried 23 | Number used | | INO: | |
| 36 | Were boats, etc., attacked | Attacked | Casualties | | | |
| 37 | Time in each boat, raft, etc | Boat | Raft | Year built and propulsion Float | 1 | |
| | Net | Boat | Raft . | Float Sysagro T | 2 | |
| 38 | Rescued by and where | By N. A. | Where | Draft loaded (maximum allowed) | 8 | |
| 39 | Number of gun crew carried (military) | Officers | Enlis | Draft when attacked 25 nem bet | 4 | |
| 40 | Number ship's crew carried | Officers | Radiomen | Unlicensed 38 | ā | |
| 41 | Number passengers and others carried | Passengers | From MEW | Others | 9 | |
| 42 | Total on board | DESTAL ANGEO | AT ANCH | Were routing orders followed | 7 | |
| 43 | Number gun crew injured (military) | | | ny criticism of orders | 18 | |
| | Number ship's crew injured | Officers | Radiomen | Unlicensed Unit is rediseW | 6 | |
| 44 | Number passengers and others injured | Passengers | Others | Was enemy sighted? When | 10 | |
| 45 | | Officers | Enlisted men | Any friendly ships in sight | 11 | |
| 46 | Number gun crew lost (military) | Officers | Padiomon O | Unlicensed 1 van eneW | 12 | |
| 47 | Number ship's crew lost | Omcers | Date Q/E/ | Others Others | 13 | |
| 48 | Number passengers and others lost | Passengers | Latitude_Gras | Position Lost Lost | 14 | |
| 49 | Total casualties | Injured | SINED | Shell or terpedo | 1.5 | |
| 50 | Persons lost by (Specify) | | Fire | Number of hits | 16 | |
| | | Other causes | L-19.83.K. | Radio operators 7 itasol | | |
| 51 | Total rescued | Gun crew 26 | | Tiffoodworf little | 18 | |
| | | Unlicensed 3 2 | VES | Others O Total 72 Floats O Suits O | 197 | |
| 52 | Persons saved by | Boats | | | 20 | |
| | Court Ma | Preservers | Other | means No aid 2 | 21 | |
| 53 | Engineering watch below | Number on watch below - | 3 | Number lost below | 22 | |
| 54 | Number of look-outs | (Olar | 224 | Did ship break in two | 23 | |
| 55 | Any defective material | NO | | Did ship break in two. | 26 | |
| - | | | | | 25 | |
| 56 | Any personnel fault | When attecked N | Normal Assessment | Ship's speed | 26 | |
| | Sunk NA - BERGHER. | | | Was abits released. | 50 | |

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.

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