

WRECK  
SECTION

## REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &amp;c.

No. 10541

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Wreck Book, p. 103/58

Date of writing this report 1st January,

19 59.

Ship's Name s.s. "CARL D. BRADLEY"

of New York

Tons { Gross 10028  
Net 7706

Built at Lorain When 1927 7 Casualty notice sent to Owner 4.12.58. Owner's reply

Owners United States Steel Corporation

Managers 525, William Penn Place, Pittsburgh 30, U.S.A.

Address

## Classification details

✠ 100A1	✠ LMC 3,53
for service on the Great	Lakes BS M 2,58
5,57	sp 2,54
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	ts 7,54 OG

Casualty 18th November, 1958.

of Casualty

This ship broke in two in heavy weather  
and sank in northern Lake Michigan.

No reply has been received to a letter  
addressed to the Owners on 4th December, 1958.

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION

**CARL D. BRADLEY**  
Nov. 18.—United States officials at Port Huron, Mich., reported late to-day that turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley has broken in two and is sinking in Lake Michigan. The report was received at Port Huron by wireless. A Coast Guard official said that the report indicated that there was no hope of saving the ship. Nothing has been heard from her since 10 50 p.m. She was on her way from Chicago to Port Dolomite, Michigan. A Coast Guard spokesman said that winds of 50 to 65 miles an hour and waves up to 20 ft. high were reported in the area, believed to be 12 miles from Gull Island. The last message from Captain Roland Bryan of the Carl D. Bradley was: "We've broken in two, we're going down." The bad weather forced the lifeboat from Plum Island, Wisconsin, Coast Guard Station to turn back. The German diesel-electric vessel Christian Sartori, first vessel on the scene, reported that she found a large tank floating on the water and "evidence of a tremendous explosion." The Christian Sartori went to the scene after she had seen flares on the lake. Coast Guard officials at Traverse City, Michigan, said that they had heard a report from the Carl D. Bradley saying that there were 37 men on board.—British United Press.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—A gale in Lake Michigan is feared to have claimed the lives of some crew members of American turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley during the night. One report said that the Carl D. Bradley might have struck a reef near Beaver Island, a dangerous spot. The master of diesel-electric vessel Christian Sartori said he could find a floating tank and a lifeboat. He believed to be a raincoat. The position of the tank indicated that there had been a "tremendous explosion."—Reuter.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—Two survivors of turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley were later discovered on High Island, off the Michigan shoreline of the lake, by the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard reported that two other men had been sighted in the water and a helicopter was sent to the area to make a rescue attempt. The Coast Guard also said that a radio by several other survivors had been sighted. The two men found alive on High Island, 45 miles off the coast, were the vessel's first mate, Elmer Foyling, and Frank Mays, a crew member.—Reuter.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 19.—Turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley, owned by Bradley Transportation Line, foundered in heavy weather in evening of Nov. 18 in Lake Michigan. Vessel in light condition.

**CARL D. BRADLEY**  
The turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley, with crew of 37, in rough weather on Nov. 18 broke in two and sank in northern Lake Michigan near Straits of Mackinac, reported four survivors found. (See issue of Nov. 20.)

Chicago, Nov. 19.—Aircraft and ships are continuing an intensive search of Lake Michigan for further survivors of the turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley. So far two men have been rescued and eight bodies sighted. The two survivors on High Island were picked up by the Coast Guard buoy tender Sundew, which radioed later that she had also picked up three unidentified bodies, bringing the known number of dead to 11. The Sundew said one of the survivors reported that he did not recall any explosion, and that he thought heavy seas must have torn the ship apart.—Reuter.

New York, Nov. 19.—Two of the crew of turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley, which foundered yesterday in a storm on Lake Michigan, were found alive to-day on a raft some miles from the scene of the disaster. By noon to-day 18 bodies had been recovered. The vessel, which was returning empty to Rogers City, Lake Huron, after delivering limestone at Buffalo, Indiana, went down at 6 p.m.—"The Times" Correspondent.

**CARL D. BRADLEY**  
Michigan, Nov. 20.—A Coast helicopter to-day sighted a lifeboat of turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley. It could not determine whether the missing members of the crew were in it. Patrols on the shore will try to recover the lifeboat.—United Press. (See issue of Nov. 19.)

**CARL D. BRADLEY**  
Charlevoix, Mich., Nov. 18.—Turbo-electric vessel Carl D. Bradley foundered in gale-swept northern Lake Michigan late to-day. Her position was given as 25 miles west of Beaver Island and 70 miles west of the Straits of Mackinac, in the extreme north of Lake Michigan.—New York Maritime Association. (See issue of Nov. 22.)

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Suggested Record

"FOUNDERED 11,58"

Date of Committee

FRIDAY - 2 JAN 1959

Committee's Minute

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