

REPORT OF TOTAL

BY for REPAIRS, &c.

No. 32307 in R. B.

Wreck Book, p. 64/39

Vessel's Name

Steel No. 1 "Regent Tiger"

Built at

Newcastle

When 1938

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Casualty n

Owner's Name

Bowring & Co. Ltd. (C.T. Bowring & Co. Ltd.)

Address

52, Leadenhall Street, London.

Previously before

Committee.

Date

Last Minute

Particulars of

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Carrying Petroleum TS339

in bulk

OIL ENGINES

Casualty

8th September, 1939

Particulars of Casualty

This vessel is reported to have been shelled by submarine in the Atlantic on the 8th September, 1939. She subsequently sank on the 10th September.

The Owners concur.

Port of B R I S T O L
 Date, First Survey and Last Survey 6 May 1939
 (No. of Visits 2)

ENT TIGER

by whom

Syon, Hunter & Uigham
Richardson, W.

When 1938

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Appendix to Register Book).

London

Voyage

of Classification (which must be inserted as in Register Book & Supplements)

OTHER, if Survey, every and of Surveys.

Years Assigned and expired.

Machinery and Boiler Surveys (including date of N.B., if any).

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T.M.C. 8.38

T.S. 339 C.L.

Petroleum in Bulk.

TORPEDOED SHIP ABLAZE IN A SEA OF FIRE

1,000FT. FLAMES FROM PETROL CARGO: U-BOAT A MONTH AT SEA

Graphic details of the sinking of British ships were made known yesterday by members of their crews who arrived in Britain.

Flames 1,000ft high leapt from the tanker Regent Tiger, 10,176 tons, after she had been torpedoed. When members of her crew arrived in England yesterday they believed that she was still afloat and blazing.

Her crew of 41 and three passengers, including a young Englishwoman, were picked up by the Belgian liner Jean Jadot two and a half hours after the tanker had been torpedoed.

"It was a terrifying spectacle after the torpedo had struck," said one of the ship's officers. "There was an explosion, and flames 1,000ft high roared into the sky. We were in two ship's lifeboats about 300 to 400 yards away, but at that distance the fumes were suffocating and the heat unbearable.

TANKS EXPLODED

"The tanks of our ship were filled with petrol. As the fire spread the tanks blew up. We have since heard that the tanker is still ablaze and the sea around her.

"It was about 9.30 a.m. on Friday when the U boat appeared about a quarter of a mile away from us. Four shots were fired from the submarine, two over us and two in front. We had about ten minutes in which to take to the boats.

Another member of the crew said the U boat attempted to destroy the tanker's wireless with shell fire.

"Every body was calm, especially our three passengers," he added.

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Suggested Record

Sunk - War Loss

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

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