

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 39449 in R. B.

Wreck Book, p. 34/38

Date of writing this report 20th June, 1938

Vessel's Name

Steel S.S. "Nausicaa"

of Panama

Tons

Net 2886
Gross 5005

Built at Londonderry when 1922

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Casualty notice sent to Owner 13/6/38

Owner's reply 14/6/38

Owner's Name Soc. Maritima Istmenia Ltda.

Address (London Agents: Union Maritime & Shipping Co., Ltd.,
4-13, Fenchurch Buildings, London, E.C.3)

Case previously before

Date

Classing Committee.

Last Minute

Casualty

27th May 1938

Particulars of Classification
+100A1 +LMC6.34
11.37 BS4.38
SS No 3-6.34 75.11.37C
Carrying Petroleum in
bulk. Fitted for oil
fuel 5.22 F.P. above 150°F.

of particulars of Casualty This vessel was reported to have

been abandoned on fire near Minorca on the 27th May.
She was observed to be still afloat on the following
day, and it was stated that when the heat subsided,
she would be towed either to Barcelona or Port Vendres.

Later it was established that the
fire was caused through being bombed by an
aeroplane.

In reply to the usual casualty
notice, the Owners' London Agents state in a letter
dated the 14th instant, that when the steamer was
about 20 miles S.E. of the easternmost point of
Minorca, an aeroplane appeared and compelled the crew
to take to the boats, after which the steamer was
bombed and she burst into flames.

The Agents add that Lloyd's Agent
at Gibraltar states he has been informed that the
vessel has sunk.

In reply to inquiry Lloyd's state
they have made inquiries of various sources,
including the Admiralty, but the vessel has not been
reported as having arrived at any port.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

NAUSICAA, Marseilles, May 27.—Wre-
less information received states:
Panamanian tank steamer Nausicaa in
distress in lat. 39° 39' N., long. 4° 38' E.,
abandoned by the crew.

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London, June 2.—Last Friday (May 27)
the tanker NAUSICAA, flag of Panama,
was found in flames near the
Balearic Islands, the crew having escaped
in boats. Yesterday it was established in
London that the fire was an accident, as
had been assumed, but that the
NAUSICAA had been bombed by
German planes. (News Chronicle)

London, June 3.—Information received
states that on May 27 at 4 p.m., the
Italian steamer Securitas rescued the crew
of 30 men from the Panamanian steamer
NAUSICAA, which had been bombed by
seaplanes and abandoned in flames in lat.
39° 41' N., long. 4° 34' E.

Marseilles, June 16.—The
steamer NAUSICAA, crew of 30 men,
to-day from Genoa by railway,
to be sent home. (Lloyd's Agent
issue of June 4)

is satisfactory

boilers to working

Suggested Record

Sunk by aircraft 5.38

Date of Committee's Report

TUE. 21 JUN 1938

Committee's Minute

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