

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 8408

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Date of writing this report 23rd January 1933

Vessel's Name *Steel S.S. "Margit"* of *Valparaiso* Tons (Net 585 (Gross 1036)

Built at *Ysel* When 1902 - 1 Casualty notice sent to Owner 7/1/33 Owner's reply

Owner's Name *Torres & Ward, Ltda.*

Address *Casilla 544, Calle Blanco 1098, Valparaiso, Chile.*

Case previously before Date
 Classing Committee Last Minute
 Date of Casualty 23rd November 1932
 Précis of particulars of Casualty

Particulars of Classification
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SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

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This steamer, loaded with 70,000 gallons of gasoline, caught fire on the 23th November, 1932, while lying at anchor in Talcahuano Bay, and was reported to be seriously damaged. A report has now been received from the Society's Surveyor at Talcahuano, in which he states that the vessel was on fire from fore to aft; foremast, fore main deck, bridge, after main deck, poop deck, masts and rigging completely destroyed; all beams twisted and bulwark plating buckled inwards practically whole length of vessel. She was beached, and the surveyor further reports that the engines and boilers are very considerably damaged by fire and explosions, and beyond reasonable repair. She was later full of water up to decks, the sides having given way at the seams of the plating. In his opinion the vessel and cargo are a total loss. Salvage expenses would not be justified.

A casualty notice was sent to the Owners on the 7th January, but sufficient time has not yet elapsed for the receipt of a reply.

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Suggested Record/ *Burnt 11.32*

Date of Committee TUE. 24 JAN 1933

Committee's Minute *Burnt 11.32*

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