

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 8838

No. 46190 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 92/34 Date of writing this report 24th September 1934
 Vessel's Name Steel S.S. "Flora" of Bilbao
 Built at Sunderland When 1918 9 Casualty notice sent to Owner 12/9/34 Owner's reply 18/9/34
 Owner's Name Cia Nav Vascongada
 Address Plaza de la Estacion 3-2, Bilbao

Case previously before Date
 Classing Committee. Last Minute
 of Casualty 24th August, 1934
 of particulars of Casualty

Particulars of Classification.
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This vessel is reported to have stranded 5 miles N. of Cape St Vincent on the 24th August. She got off without assistance but foundered in deep water.

Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association stated on the 29th August that salvage was impracticable.

The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

FLORA. Land's End Wireless Station, Aug. 27.—Following intercepted from Ushant Radio and Cape Mayor Radio at 9.35 p.m. G.M.T.: Distress from Spanish steamer Flora, EABQ, five miles north of St. Vincent.

Tangier, Aug. 28.—Following received by wireless: British steamer Mooltan reports SOS from Spanish steamer Flora, position 5 miles north of St. Vincent. No details.

Gibraltar, Aug. 28.—Salvage steamer Geir left last night to render assistance to Spanish steamer Flora in distress off Cape St. Vincent.

Cadiz, Aug. 28.—Spanish steamer Flora grounded five miles north of Cape St. Vincent on Aug. 27, at 9.15 p.m.

Bilbao, Aug. 28.—Spanish steamer Flora. Owners advise ashore but came off without assistance, and afterwards sank off Cape St. Vincent.

London, Aug. 28.—The following cable has been received from the owners of the steamer Flora, dated Bilbao, Aug. 28:—Flora: Master reports. On account of fog steamer aground near St. Vincent; got off by own means. Owing to damage sustained, steamer reported sink, crew saved. Shall be glad if you will appoint surveyor to do necessary to save steamer also to take full declaration of crew proceeding Faro.

Gibraltar, Aug. 28.—H.M.S. Sussex, which is on her way to Marseilles, answered an SOS from the Spanish steamer Flora which was in trouble five miles N. of Cape St. Vincent. The British cruiser promptly reversed her course and steamed at 20 knots to the rescue. An hour later she was informed by the P. & O. liner Strathaird that the latter had searched for the Flora for two hours without avail, but had subsequently received a wireless message from the Spanish steamer saying that she had been beached in a sinking condition.

Lisbon, Aug. 28.—A report received from Portimao states Spanish steamer Flora struck on a rock at Sagres; vessel backed off and foundered in deep water. Crew picked up and landed at Lagos, Portugal.

Faro, Aug. 28.—Spanish steamer Flora: Consul reports total loss. Crew saved.

Lisbon, Aug. 28.—The crew of 31 men of the Spanish cargo steamer Flora have been rescued and landed safely at Lagos by the Portuguese Customs steamer Torres Garcia. The Flora, which was bound for Venice with a cargo of coal, is lying in a sinking condition about two miles off Cape St. Vincent. The Torres Garcia later returned to the scene to try and save the distressed vessel.—Reuter.

FLORA. — Lisbon, Aug. 29.—Steamer Flora struck on a rock at Sagres; backed off and foundered in deep water. Salvage impracticable. Accident attributed to fog. Crew saved and landed at Faro. It is reported that the crew lost their effects. Understand crew being sent home direct from Faro to-day.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

Gibraltar, Aug. 28.—British motor vessel British Resource sighted lifeboat off Sagres. Point marked "Flora, Bilbao"; boat picked up by Italian motor vessel Potestas; nobody on board.

FLORA. — London, Aug. 30.—The following cable has been received from Gibraltar, dated Aug. 29: Steamer Flora sunk in deep water; salvage steamer Geir returning to Gibraltar.

Gibraltar, Aug. 30.—The salvage vessel Geir returned here this morning from a point five miles N. of Cape St. Vincent and reports that there is no sign of the Spanish steamer Flora.—Exchange Telegraph Co.

Suggested Record Stranded & sunk 8.34

Date of Committee JUL 25 SEP 1934

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