

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 06708 in R.B. Wreck Book, p. 11/56 Date of writing this report 13th March, 19 56.
 Ship's Name m.s. "CONLEA" of London Tons { Gross 261 Net 155
 Built at Rendsburg When 1939 --- Casualty notice sent to Owner 27.2.56. Owner's reply
 Owners Jeppesen Heaton, Ltd.
 Managers ---
 Address 60, Billiter Buildings, 49, Leadenhall Street, London, E.C.3.

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Classification details

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Date of Casualty 10th February, 1956.

Details of Casualty

Foundered 15 miles SW of Corbiere in heavy weather.
 The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

CONLEA. — Niton Radio, Feb. 10. — Following received from British motor vessel Conlea at 4 36 a.m., G.M.T.: Conlea position 15 miles E. of Corbiere. Bunker lid carried away, engine-room flooding. At present proceeding at one knot toward Jersey. Require ship to stand by.
 Following received from St. Peter Port Radio:
 At 5 a.m., G.M.T.: Checking with the chart it appears that Corbiere is bearing 15 miles east from motor vessel Conlea.
 At 5 40 a.m., G.M.T.: Jersey lifeboat and St. Peter Port lifeboat are proceeding to meet one another and motor vessel Winchester is coming the other way and would see motor vessel Conlea if she is in the position.
 Following received from motor vessel Winchester:
 At 6 21 a.m., G.M.T.: Sighted red flare 13.6 miles, bearing 290 deg., true,

from Corbiere. We are eight miles from that position and will be there at 6 45 a.m.

At 6 46 a.m., G.M.T.: A fresh red flare sighted in position 16.7 miles from Corbiere, bearing 276 deg. from Corbiere. We have not sighted the ship. It may be a lifeboat flare.

Following received from St. Peter Port Radio:

At 7 35 a.m., G.M.T.: Position of casualty is 82 deg. Grosnez Point 16 1/2 miles. Winchester has four survivors on board from small lifeboat. They are trying to pick up one more and there are two or three men still missing. It is not known whether the Conlea is afloat or not.

Following received from Jersey Radio at 8 12 a.m., G.M.T.: Conlea has sunk. Fore hatch stove in. Six out of seven survivors on board motor vessel Winchester and one dead picked up by St. Peter Port lifeboat.

Jersey, Feb. 10.—Motor vessel Conlea, on voyage (from Eling) to St. Malo, cargo 296 tons of pitch, sank approximately 15 miles south-west of Corbiere at 5 a.m. to-day owing to heavy weather, when bunker hatch was carried away and engine-room flooded. Understood chief engineer was picked up by Guernsey lifeboat but is dead. Remaining six survivors were rescued by motor vessel Winchester, on passage to Jersey, and landed at St. Helier at 11 a.m. and admitted to hospital.

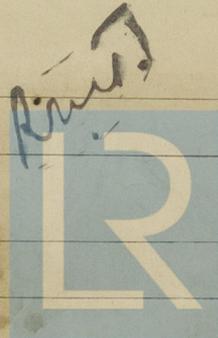
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Suggested Record "FOUNDERED 2,56" TUESDAY 20 MAR 1956

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

Foundered 2,56



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