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Wreck Report No. 14157

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 58932 in R.B. Wreck Book, p. 115/54 Date of writing this report 4th November, 1954.

Ship's Name T.M.S. "EMMA BAKKE" of Haugesund Tons Gross 4721 Net 2831

Built at Malmo When 1929 8 Casualty notice sent to Owner 21.10.54. Owner's reply 26.10.54.

Owners Skibs A/S Hilda Knudsen

Managers Chr. Haaland

Address Strandgaten 161, Haugesund, Norway

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2,400.

Classification details

✠ 100A1	✠ LMC8,52
with freeboard	
4,54	Ref. Mchv
ssAms.-8,52 (Dr.)	
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OIL ENGINES  
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R.M.C.(E.D.)

Date of Casualty 9th October, 1954.

Details of Casualty

This ship caught fire after explosion in engine room and sank about 250 miles W. of Casablanca.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

EMMA BAKKE.—Gibraltar, Oct. 9.—Gibraltar Radio reports: Following received from Norwegian motor vessel Emma Bakke (Philadelphia for Istanbul): In position lat. 34 39 N., long. 11 47 W., at 10 a.m., G.M.T., on fire.

Following received from Argentine steamer Corrientes: Three boats afloat with crew of motor vessel Emma Bakke; sea calm, no danger. Picking up survivors, bound Lisbon.

Following received from steamer Corrientes at 1 20 p.m., G.M.T.: Corrientes 9 30 a.m., G.M.T., in lat. 34 30 N., long. 11 50 W., received SOS from Norwegian motor vessel Emma Bakke with

fire in engine-room due to explosion. In contact at 10 45 a.m., G.M.T., lat. 34 37 N., long. 11 57 W., embarked 40 crew and nine passengers. Captain Kolnes informs crew member, Savnes Pedersen, dead, left on board. Emma Bakke drifting with intense fire in engine-room; I stay in proximity for further attention.

Casablanca, Oct. 9.—The crew of the Norwegian motor vessel Emma Bakke abandoned ship when she caught fire about 250 miles W. of here this morning. They were picked up by the Argentine steamer Corrientes. The Emma Bakke was due to dock at Casablanca to-morrow morning. It was later reported that one man died and five were badly injured when the motor vessel Emma Bakke caught fire.—Reuter.

Corunna, Oct. 10.—Salvage vessel Salvator left here yesterday to assist motor vessel Emma Bakke.

London, Oct. 9.—Information received states that the salvage tug Dexterous has left Gibraltar to go to the assistance of motor vessel Emma Bakke.

Portishead Radio, Oct. 10.—Following received from British motor vessel Highland Princess at 12 22 a.m., G.M.T., to-day: Passed motor vessel Emma Bakke on fire overall in position lat. 34 30 N., long. 11 47 W.

Lisbon, Oct. 10.—Norwegian motor vessel Emma Bakke reported yesterday fire on board off Cape St. Vincent, and two members of crew killed. Survivors picked up by Argentine steamer Corrientes and landed at Lisbon this morning.

Lisbon, Oct. 10.—Steamer Corrientes arrived here to-day with 48 survivors from the Norwegian motor vessel Emma Bakke. Two Norwegian crewmen are dead. Jacne Pedersen was killed in the fire, Ingolf Erhksen died on board the Corrientes from burns. Four other crewmen, not seriously injured, were taken to the British hospital here. According to the master of the Emma Bakke, the fire started from an explosion in the oil-burning engines. Three more explosions followed and the fire spread rapidly.—Reuter.

EMMA BAKKE.—Lisbon, Oct. 10.—Motor vessel Emma Bakke capsized soon after the survivors abandoned her.—Exchange Telegraph Company. (See issue of Oct. 11.)

EMMA BAKKE.—London, Oct. 12.—The following message has been received from Copenhagen: Motor vessel Emma Bakke: Salvage steamer Salvator searched area without result. (See issue of Oct. 12.)

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Suggested Record "BURNED & SUNK 10, 54"  
Date of Committee TUESDAY - 9 NOV 1954  
Committee's Minute *Burned & sunk 10, 54*