

S.S. ALABAMA

TRANSLATION OF ENGINE ROOM LOG.

Abstract of engine room log of the Italian S.S. Alabama March 3 to March 6th, 1931, in our voyage from Baytown to London.

March 3, 1931- At 1 p.m. wit. we reduce to half speed owing to heavy sea. we stand by throttle.

March 4, 1931- At 12.30 a.m. we resume full speed. At 4.45 a.m. we open steam to our cargo pumps. At 5.30 a.m. engines slow, at 5.45 a.m. engines full speed. The engines although at full speed are unable to develop 30 revolutions owing to the furious seas and wind. We note heavy leaks in the stuffing box of the tail shaft, we are always at the throttle but we are unable at times to always respond to braking the engines sufficient to avoid them from racing. We note the overheating of the bearings and connections. Engine works irregular. It is absolutely necessary our careful attention to the thrust which is throwing oil from the racing engines and we continue adding oil. We notice though that it continues to overheat. We hear severe shocks from tail shaft. At 3 p.m. we heave too and proceed for Philadelphia.

March 4-5-1931 We continue hearing severe shocks from tail-shaft and continual leaking from stuffing box. The engine continues irregular.

March 5-6-1931 At 3 p.m. on account heavy sea we reduce speed. At 2.30 a.m. we resume full speed. We stand by throttle until midnight of the 5th. We continue hearing shocks from tail shaft. At 7 pm we anchor in Delaware Bay.

March 6-7-1931 Boilers under pressure. At 12.50 A.M. we heave up anchor 1.10 a.m. we leave again with 2 tugs. At 2 A.M. we take on pilot and we proceed. At 12.30 p.m. we anchor. At 12.45 p.m. finished in engine room.

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