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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping.



Port Willemstad, Curacao. N.W.I.

16th February, 1948.

This is to Certify that

C. H. Westbury

undersigned Surveyor to this Society did at the request of

J. A. Cérrea, Representative of United States Salvage Association, Curacao. N.W.I. attend on board the S.S. "LOS POZOS" 5810 tons gross tonnage, Buenos Aires, afloat at Caracas Bay, Curacao. N.W.I. on 18th December 1947 and subsequently, for the purpose of ascertaining the nature and extent of damage sustained due to collision with the M.V. "TUCUPITA" Venezuela on 15th December 1947 at approximately 04.00 hours. "LOS POZOS" was in ballast condition and the "TUCUPITA" had a cargo of high octane gasoline.

There were no Log Books on either vessel these having been consumed by the fire which was caused by the said collision and which totally destroyed the navigating bridge.

FOUND

RECOMMENDED

Forecastle head deck:  
Steel deck buckled and totally destroyed.

Wood sheathing completely burnt away.

8 Cowl ventilators and coamings burned and distorted.

Fore peak hatch coaming and steel cover overheated and buckled.

Steel deck to be renewed.

Wood sheathing to be renewed.

18 Cowl ventilators and coamings to be renewed.

Hatch coaming and cover to be renewed.

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is scorched.

Length of anchor cable (P&S)  
d.

Steam pipes (copper)  
led.

Atmospheric exhaust  
(iron) overheated and holed.

Y tank scorched and  
ted.

el buckled and wire 1½"  
resumed to be 120 fathoms)  
corched.

ails and awning stanchions  
and distorted.

Hatch coaming, cover and  
badly overheated and

Castle space:  
erheated, buckled and  
ly destroyed.

ard end store space shell  
(P&S) overheated and on  
rd side buckled.

Bulkheads and doors in  
the accommodation over-  
and badly buckled.

re in accommodation  
ly destroyed.

Frames in accommodation  
overheated and buckled.

Deck beams overheated  
buckled.

Electric wiring and fittings  
badly destroyed.

Heaters overheated and

Side lights (P&S) buckled and  
led.

Steam pipes under deck  
ted.

Deck Tank Top:  
Frames 4-5-6-7-8-9 (P&S)  
and distorted.

RECOMMENDED

Windlass to be completely over-  
hauled.

1st length of anchor cable (P&S)  
to be annealed, tested and refitted.

To be annealed, tested and  
refitted.

Windlass exhaust pipes to be  
renewed.

Sanitary tank to be renewed.

Wire reel and wire to be renewed.

To be faired and refitted  
with part new material.

Hatch coaming, cover and trunk  
to be renewed.

Deck plating to be renewed.

Shell frames to be renewed.

Steel bulkheads and doors to  
be renewed.

Furniture to be renewed.

Shell frames to be renewed.

Under deck beams to be renewed.

Electric wiring and fittings  
to be renewed.

Steam heaters to be renewed.

Side lights to be renewed.

To be annealed, tested and

Shell frames to be renewed.



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RECOMMENDED

tes in way of shell frames  
(usive) P&S distorted.

Knee plates to be renewed.

ck beams 5-6-7-8-9-10  
distorted by heat.

To be faired in place.

aming and steel cover  
d.

Hatch coaming and cover to be  
renewed.

ore peak tank:  
mes 1-2-3 (P&S) torn and

Shell fra mes to be renewed.

ottom knee plates in way  
27 buckled and torn.

Top and bottom knee plates to  
be renewed.

lder buckled and twisted.

Steel ladder to be renewed.

mes 6-7-8 (SS) slightly

To be faired in place.

starboard stringer  
buckled and torn.

Stringer plates to be renewed.

between stringer plates

Tie plate to be renewed.

ck torn and twisted.

Breast hook to be renewed.

head overheated and

After bulkhead to be renewed.

k beams 5-6-7-8-9  
due to heat.

To be removed, faired and  
refitted.

fore peak tank:  
buckled due to overheating.

Bulkhead to be renewed.

mes 1-2-3 (SS) and  
PS) together with under  
s and knee plates  
nd twisted.

Shell frames, under deck beams  
and knee plates to be renewed.

overheated and buckled  
to forward side of  
ank coamings.

Main deck to be renewed from  
stem to forward side of  
forward tank coamings.

sh scorched.

To be completely overhauled.

scorched and wood top  
burned.

Top mast to be renewed.

verheated and bent.

Derrick to be renewed.

P&S) badly scorched.

Rigging (P&S) to be renewed.

bend in bunker line

Cast iron line to be renewed.

P&S) overheated and

Bulwarks to be renewed.

ck steam and exhaust  
ge heating lines and  
heated.

Pipes to be annealed, tested and  
refitted, valves to be overhauled.



FOUND

Wire reels with 120 fms. of 1" wire on starboard reel overheated and distorted.

Walk from forecastle to midship overheated and buckled.

Room casing overheated and red (no sign of fire damage on deck).

Post (SS) scorched, hose reel overheated and bent, winch scorched.

Post (PS) scorched, derrick heated, winch gear scorched.

Centre castle:  
gangway completely destroyed.

Bulkheads and doors of stores (P&S) scorched and all stores lost by fire and water.

Deck (P.S.) overheated due to wood fender being ablaze on.

Accommodation:  
Bulkhead from main deck up heated and buckled.  
Accommodation on first lower bridge and navigating, overheated and buckled, and gear therein completely lost.

Lifeboat davits Port and Starboard on lower bridge overheated and possibly fractured.

Forecastle head bulkhead plate heated (P&S).

Forecastle sheer strake plates overheated and badly heated (P&S).

Shell plates 1-2-3 below forecastle sheer 1-2-3 overheated and badly heated (P&S).

Shell plates 1-2-3 in main sheer heated and buckled (P&S).

Below main sheer shell plates heated and buckled (P&S).

RECOMMENDED

Two wire reels and 120 fms. 1" dia. wire to be renewed.

Steel catwalk plating to be renewed and guard rails to be removed, faired and refitted.

Casing to be renewed.

Derrick to be renewed and winch gear overhauled.

Derrick to be annealed and tested, winch gear to be overhauled.

Wood gangway to be renewed.

Store rooms to be reconditioned and ruined stores (which could not be recognized) replaced.

Main deck in Centre Castle (PS) to be part renewed where overheated due to large wood fender being on fire thereon.

Midship accommodation casings, decks, bulkheads, furniture, electric light wiring and fittings, telegraphs, compasses and steering gear to be completely renewed.

Patent davits to be renewed.

Bulwark plates (P&S) to be renewed.

Forecastle sheer strake plates 1-2-3-4 to be renewed (P&S).

Shell plates 1-2-3 in 1st below forecastle sheer to be renewed (P&S).

Shell plates 1-2-3 in main sheer to be renewed (P&S).

Shell plates 2-3 in 1st strake below main sheer to be renewed (P&S).



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1 plates 2-3 in 2nd strakes  
w main sheer overheated and  
led (P&S).

bar buckled and set over to  
board side and fractured from  
hawse pipes down.

shell plate in 1st below  
buckled at forward end.

shell plate in 2nd-3rd and 4th  
below sheer buckled, torn  
twisted (P&S).

Lifeboats complete with all  
equipment lost.

ryhold:

rd and after bulkheads over-  
d and buckled.

Propeller:-

bronze blades overheated and  
melted off.

ak top was not cleaned off (being covered by empty gasoline barrels  
debris) this could not be examined.

tanks still contain water and could not be examined.  
be further examined in drydock.

Fls:250.00

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Fls:258.00

RECOMMENDED

Shell plates Nos.2 and 3 in 2nd  
below main sheer to be renewed  
(P&S).

Stem bar to be renewed.

1st shell plate in 1st below  
main sheer to be renewed (P&S).

Shell plates No.1 in 2nd-3rd and  
4th below sheer to be renewed  
(P&S).

Four Lifeboats complete with all  
equipment to be replaced.

Bulkheads to be cropped and part  
renewed.

Four bronze blades to be renewed.

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