

WRECK SECTION No. 559
REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

SECTION 13305
 No. 559

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Vessel's Name *S.S. "Rojo"* of *Oslo* Tons Gross 459 Net 222

Built at *Sunderland* When *1917* 2 Casualty notice sent to Owner *17.12.48* Owner's reply *21.12.48*

Owner's Name *Rolf Johannesen & Co.*
 Address *Hugegaten 32 B, Oslo, Norway.*

Case previously before Classing Committee.	Date Last Minute	Particulars of Classification.	
		<i>+100A1</i>	<i>+LMC 547</i>
		<i>ss 026547(DR) TS 447CL</i>	

Date of Casualty *3rd December, 1948.*
 Précis of particulars of Casualty

This vessel foundered about 200 miles east of Aberdeen on the 3rd December, 1948, during heavy weather, with a cargo of steel.
 The only information available is that she took in a good deal of water and that the pumps would not function, with the result that the vessel listed.
 The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

ROJO.—Stonehaven Radio, Dec. 4.—Following received from British steamer Gothland at 10.32 a.m., G.M.T.: Have just picked up part of crew of Norwegian steamer Rojo, which foundered at about 10 a.m. yesterday. Small boat with seven men on board still adrift in vicinity of lat. 56 52 N., long. 2 55 E.
ROJO.—London, Dec. 4.—Air sea rescue aircraft located lifeboat of Norwegian steamer Rojo with seven survivors in position lat. 56 36 N., long. 2 45 E. at 2.30 p.m. to-day. Rescue supplies dropped and steamer Vestra proceeding to position. Aircraft remaining overhead until vessel arrives. Vessel expected to arrive at position at 5 p.m.
ROJO.—Stonehaven Radio, Dec. 4.—Following received from Scheveningen Radio at 5.49 p.m., G.M.T.: Following received from French trawler Godefroy De Bouillon at 5 p.m., G.M.T.: Have on board six men and one officer from Norwegian steamer Rojo, bound Copenhagen from Middlesbrough, sunk yesterday p.m., estimated position lat. 56 50 N., long. 2 55 E. Bound Stavanger with crew.

ROJO.—London, Dec. 4.—A radio message from the trawler Godefroy Bouillon stated that she was awaiting the arrival of a vessel to transfer rescued men of the steamer Rojo a was not taking them to Stavanger previously stated. (See issue of Dec. 4.)
ROJO.—Copenhagen, Dec. 6.—Steamer Gothland has landed seven members of the crew of the Norwegian steamer Rojo, which sank in the North Sea while on voyage from Middlesbrough for Copenhagen.

ROJO.—Copenhagen, Dec. 6.—Norwegian steamer Rojo sank on Friday (Dec. 3) while on voyage from Middlesbrough for Copenhagen, with steel. The only information available as to the cause of the loss states that the vessel had taken in a considerable quantity of water which caused her to take a list. The crew, 14 men, took to the two lifeboats and the vessel sank 5 minutes later.—"Borsen." (See issue of Dec. 4.)

ROJO.—Stavanger, Dec. 6.—Trawler Godefroy de Bouillon arrived here yesterday with seven men rescued from the steamer Rojo, which sank on Dec. 3 while on voyage from Middlesbrough to Copenhagen. (See issue of Dec. 4.)
ROJO.—Copenhagen, Dec. 7.—The master of the steamer Gothland, which saved some of the crew of the steamer Rojo, states that the Rojo experienced heavy weather on Friday (Dec. 3) and took in a good deal of water. As the pumps would not function, the master sent down two of the crew to see whether the pumps were obstructed. They found several feet of water in the cargo. Immediately afterwards the vessel took a list and when an attempt was made to empty one of the tanks to right her the pumps broke down. The vessel sank five minutes after the crew had got clear of the vessel in the lifeboats.—"Borsen."

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