

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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82 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 90/38

Date of writing this report 23rd February 1939

Name Steel S S 'Stancroft' of London

Tons { Gross 1407
Net 865

Sunderland When 1908 11 Casualty notice sent to Owner 17/2/39 Owner's reply 18/2/39

Name Stanhope S S Co. Ltd. (J. A. Billmeir & Co. Ltd., Agents)

Address 9, St. Helen's Place, London, E.C.3.

Previously before
Committee. Date
Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

F100A1
938
SS. Regd No 3-12-34
FLMC 1234
MBS 338
DBS 1037
TS 938CL
NDB 31

Casualty 27th December, 1938

Particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have been sunk by aircraft at Barcelona on the 27th December, 1938.

In reply to the special casualty notice the Owners state they are advised that the damage consists of fractured shell plating in way of the bilge keel and that as soon as conditions at Barcelona are normal, the vessel will be refloated.

In the circumstances they request that the vessel's class be retained in the Register Book and they state they will keep this Office advised as and when possible.

23rd March, 1939.

In reply to inquiry the Owners state in a letter dated the 21st instant that they have no further information regarding this vessel.

As soon as the position is more settled they will write again.

20th April, 1939.

In reply to inquiry the Owners state in a letter dated the 18th instant that they have no further information regarding the vessel.

They add they are in touch with the Foreign Office in regard to making some arrangement for salvaging.

In to-day's Lloyd's List (21/4) the vessel is reported to have been refloated on the 19th instant.

25th May, 1939.

In reply to further inquiry, the Owners state they are no nearer, at the moment, of getting possession of the vessel and add that the matter is being dealt with through the Foreign Office.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

THE SITUATION IN SPAIN

Barcelona, Dec. 27. — The British steamer STANCROFT was sunk this morning during the first of two air raids on Barcelona. There were no casualties among the crew.—Exchange Telegraph Company.

LL 28/12

Barcelona, Dec. 27. — Air-raiders scored a direct hit in No. 2 hold of the British steamer STANCROFT, and the vessel settled slowly by the head. At present the prow of the vessel is resting on the bottom with the stern barely afloat and the engine-room flooded. It is confirmed that the officers and crew went ashore when the alarm was given and are all safe.—British United Press. (See issue of Dec. 28.)

LL 29/12

Barcelona, Dec. 29.—Damage to the steamer STANCROFT, which was reported sunk in an insurgent air raid on the port, is now believed to be repairable. Only the forepart of the ship is actually resting on the bottom.—Reuter.

LL 30/12

Barcelona, Dec. 30.—British steamer STANCROFT heavily damaged and partially sunk, on Dec. 27. British

LL 31/12

London, Jan. 20.—British steamer STANCROFT, which was sunk during an aerial bombardment at Barcelona on Dec. 27, while moored there with general cargo, was subsequently raised and repaired.

LL 21/1

London, Feb. 16.—Steamer STANCROFT, which was damaged at Barcelona on Oct. 13 last, was subsequently repaired and placed in service. She was afterwards sunk at Barcelona on Dec. 27 and is still lying submerged in the harbour. (Note.—The report published in issue of Jan. 21 that the vessel had been raised was erroneous.)

LL 17/2

STANCROFT. — Barcelona, Apr. 19.—British cargo steamer Stancroft, which was sunk in Barcelona Harbour during a bombardment in December last, was refloated to-day.—British United Press.

LL 21/4

THE STEAMER "STANCROFT"

Barcelona, Apr. 29.—According to the Press, the steamer Stancroft, which was sunk by aircraft at this port and later raised by order of the military authorities here, has been handed over to the Gerencia de Buques Incautados (Department of Seized Ships) in order to be put at the service of the National merchant fleet.—Lloyd's Agents.

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Date of Committee FRI. 21 APR 1939

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Date of Committee FRI 26 MAY 1939

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*Sunk 12.38 now
refloated
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