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REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 82596 in R.B. Wreck Book, p. 29/47 Date of writing this report 16th July 1947
 Vessel's Name Twin E. S.S. "Sir Harvey Adamson" of Glasgow Tons (Gross 1030 Net 528)
 Built at Glasgow When 1914 11 Casualty notice sent to Owner 7.7.47 Owner's reply X
 Owner's Name British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd.
 Address 122, Leadenhall Street, London, E.C.3.

Case previously before Classing Committee.	Date	Particulars of Classification.	
		Last Minute	HOOAI Shade dk 1.47 Examined 12.46 (6mins) S.S. 2nd No 3-10.38 SS No 1-41

Date of Casualty Overdue

Particulars of Casualty

This vessel left Rangoon on the 17th April, 1947, for Tavoy, Burma, where she was due the following day. On that day she wirelessed she could not make Tavoy owing to a gale and heavy rain, and she has not been heard of since.

A Court of Inquiry held at Rangoon announced that a floating mine caused her loss.

Posted Missing at Lloyd's on the 2nd instant.

No reply has been received to the casualty notice addressed to the Owners on the 7th instant.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — London, May 6. — The owners of the steamer Sir Harvey Adamson have received the following cable from their Rangoon office, dated May 7: Sir Harvey Adamson: Depon, Tavoy, reports: Black leather seat and white door traced at Thab-yawa village, in lat. 15 10 N, long. 97 48 E. Villagers state that a vessel was seen on night of Apr. 18 and morning of Apr. 19. Believed wreck occurred Kyungyi-Ngapyawgyun Islands, near mouth of Yeh River. Investigation proceeding. Nautical adviser reports: Yeh area already searched to seaward, negative results. As definite evidence Sir Harvey Adamson southward of Tavoy Point on evening of Apr. 18, present reports probably connected with auxiliary coaster, also missing in area. Being reinvestigated from shoreward by Maulmain Port Authorities. General seaward search ends to-day. (See issue of May 7.) LL 10.5.47
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — Maulmain, May 10. — No trace whatever of steamer Sir Harvey Adamson, and search for vessel now abandoned. No survivors yet reported. (See issue of May 10.) " 12/5
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — Rangoon, May 16. — It was officially announced here to-day that the steamer Sir Harvey Adamson must now be considered lost with all on board. A Naval spokesman stated that there was every possibility that the vessel had struck a loose mine. — Reuter. (See issue of May 12.) " 17/5
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — Maulmain, May 11. — An inquiry into the disappearance of the steamer Sir Harvey Adamson is now being held in Rangoon. The Port Officer at Maulmain informs us that some wreckage in the shape of painted doors has been washed up on the coast south of Maulmain and that he has ordered an inquiry to identify the source of the wreckage. (See issue of May 17.) " 22/5
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — Maulmain, May 19. — The Government of Burma have issued an official statement that the steamer Sir Harvey Adamson, which left Rangoon on Apr. 17 for Tavoy, failed to reach her destination and must be considered lost with all on board. (See issue of May 22.) " 31/5
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — London, June 11. — In reply to inquiry the owners of the steamer Sir Harvey Adamson write under date of June 10: Sir Harvey Adamson left Rangoon on Apr. 17 for Tavoy and Mergui and is deemed to have been lost south of Tavoy on Apr. 18. She was carrying 17 saloon and 188 deck passengers, a crew of nine Europeans, 54 Indians and one Chinese carpenter. No details of her cargo are available here. (See issue of May 31.) " 12/6
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — London, W., June 17. — Steamer Sir Harvey Adamson, with general bazaar cargo, left Rangoon on Apr. 17 and was due to arrive at Tavoy on Apr. 18. She wirelessed that owing to a gale and heavy rain that she could not make Tavoy that day and no further information was received. No survivors were traced nor any wreckage found after an extensive search had been carried out. (See issue of June 12.) " 18/6
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — Rangoon, June 26. — A floating mine caused the sinking of the British steamer Sir Harvey Adamson, which disappeared without trace off the Burma coast last April with a loss of 273 lives, a Court of Inquiry announced here to-day. — Reuter. (See issue of June 18.) " 1/7
- SIR HARVEY ADAMSON. — London, July 2. — Steamer Sir Harvey Adamson, of Glasgow, official number 136,336, 1030 tons gross, master Weaver, which sailed from Rangoon for Tavoy and Mergui on Apr. 17, with passengers and general cargo, was to-day posted at Lloyd's as a missing vessel. " 13/7

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Suggested Record Missing since 4.47
 Date of Committee JUL 18 1947
 Committee's Minute Missing since 4.47