

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 02025 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 62/39 Date of writing this report 30th October, 1939

Vessel's Name Steel 4 Mast Bk "Olivebank" of Mariehamn Tons {Gross 2795
Net 2427

Built at Glasgow When 1892 10 Casuality notice sent to Owner 6/10/39 Owner's reply 27/10/39

Owner's Name Peder A/B Olivebank (G. Erikson)

Address Mariehamn, Finland

Case previously before { Date _____
Last Minute _____
Classing Committee. {

Particulars of Classification.	
<u>F 100A1</u> <u>10,38</u>	<u>F NDB 6,33</u>
<u>ss. 2nd No 3-11,7</u> <u>ss. No 3-11,27</u>	<u>DBS 8,39</u>
<u>ss. No 2-35</u>	

Date of Casualty 8th September, 1939.

Précis of particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have been sunk by a mine in the North Sea between the Dogger Bank and Jutland on the 8th September, 1939.

The Owner concurs.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

FINNISH BARQUE STRIKES MINE FOURTEEN DROWNED

A Finnish four-masted barque, the Olivebank, 2,795 tons, struck a drifting mine and sank in the North Sea, west of Jutland, states a Reuter message from Copenhagen yesterday. Only seven of the crew of 21 were rescued.

The Olivebank was registered at Mariehamn Aaland Islands, and is one of a fleet of 17 sailing vessels owned by a famous sailor, Gustaf Erikson. She has taken part in the annual "wind-jammers' races" from Australia with grain.

The Esbjerg cutter, Talona, rescued seven of the crew after they had clung for two days to the rigging. They were without food and water.

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Olivebank (2,795 tons), the sailing ship—it was formerly British—struck a mine and sank in the North Sea, west of Jutland.

Seven of the crew of twenty-one found clinging to rigging, were rescued and have arrived at Esbjerg.

One of the rescued men, describing their two and a half days lashed to the rigging, said:—

"I tied a shirt to the rigging as a distress signal. For two days and nights we were unable to loosen ourselves. We had no food or water and were lashed by the rain. We had given up hope when we sighted the Talona (a Danish cutter). Several men were unconscious and had to be cut stiff with cramp, from the rigging, but were revived on board the cutter with massage and warm food."

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Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

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