

CHARLES RACINE :Morg :Tank :9957 :100316 :23-10N, 60-28W :BO :Sunk CSA
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 (Name) (Armed): Nat : Type :Tonnage : Date : Location : Lights: Damage
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What happened: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 1 torp missed, 1 hit and 3 more later
 believed to have hit. Ship on course 245T, S-12, not zigging but 20°
 variation every 2 hours

Description of Sub: Large, no marks, pear shaped conning tower and no masts

Survivors: Plane located survivors (34), USS MORRETT bringing them to San Juan.
 41 in crew.

Additional Remarks:

CHARLES
 RACINE

13 Mar - 34 survivors picked up 12 Mar 21-29H 62-57W

OWN SHIP: NAME CHARLES RECINE NATL. NOF. TYPE TANKER GR. TONNAGE 9957
 ENROUTE COURSE 245 SPEED 12
 ZIGZAG Not CONVOY ARMED BY: US OTHER GUN CREW BATTERY
 OWN LIGHTS Blocked out. Radio Not used RADAR SOUND GEAR MAG DET
 LOOKOUTS REMARKS
 WEATHER Fair SEA VISIBILITY Good MOON Night dark. CLOUDS

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 OWN DAMAGE 2 TORP - SUNK ENEMY DAMAGE
 CONTACT MADE BY: SIGHT SOUND O/F RADAR ENEMY SHIP Submarine
 ON SURFACE XXX AWASH PERISCOPE SUBMERGED XXX TORPEDO TRACK XXX NOT SEEN SPEED
 DISTANCE BEARING: abeam on port side COURSE
 ENEMY IDENTITY The sub was described as large, no marks, pear shaped coming tower and no masts.
 Attacked without warning.

OWN AND ENEMY MANEUVERS AND ACTION		ENEMY SHIP		ENEMY ACTION		ENEMY DAMAGE	
BEFORE ATTACK	DURING ATTACK	OWN	EN	OWN	EN	ADBL	REPORTS IN FILE
		SUNNERY	TACTICS	LIGHTS	MATERIAL	PERSONNEL	SHIP
	The first torpedo missed the stern by 10 ft. A second torpedo struck at 2300. Three more torpedoes are believed to have hit. Hits were scored fore and aft on both port and stbd sides. The engine room began to take water and oil from the tanks began to spray over engines which slowed down. The submarine surfaced 30 minutes after the first torpedo struck.						
	Following abandonment of the ship 2 more explosions occurred, possibly torpedoes or demolition charges which may have been placed aboard by sub crew. The sub came alongside the Charles Recine and apparently she was boarded. All codes and confidential papers were destroyed before abandonment.						
	All 41 members of the crew abandoned ship in 4 lifeboats. 34 men in 3 lifeboats were rescued by the SS Moffet. The submarine was last seen about 0030.						

DISPATCHES

REMARKS

34 survivors of Nor., CHARLES RACINE, picked up 12 March, 21-29 N., 62-57 W. COMINCH S 131356.

Torpedoed 0416 today, position 60° miles south, south east Bermuda. ALUSNA LONDON C 101604.

Torpedoed twice at 0316 GMT 23-10 N., 60-28 W. BERMUDA MARCH 10.

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MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

Subject: Summary of Statements by Survivors, Norwegian Tanker
CHARLES RACINE.

1. The CHARLES RACINE was attacked without warning at 1945 (time zone not specified) on March 9, 1942, at 23.33N. - 60.10W. The first torpedo missed the stern by 10 feet. A second torpedo struck at 2300. Three more torpedoes are believed to have hit. Hits were scored fore and aft on both port and starboard sides. The engine room began to take water and oil from the tanks began to spray over engines which slowed down. The submarine was abeam on the port side when the attack began. The CHARLES RACINE was on a course 245 true, speed twelve knots, not zigzagging but 20° variation every two hours, completely blacked out, radio not in use prior to attack. After attack an SSS signal was sent three times and acknowledgment received. The weather was fair, wind easterly, visibility good, night dark. Following abandonment of the ship two more explosions occurred, possibly torpedoes or demolition charges which may have been placed aboard by submarine crew. The submarine came alongside the CHARLES RACINE and apparently she was boarded. All codes and confidential papers were destroyed before abandonment. The submarine was described as large, no marks, pear shaped conning tower and no masts. The submarine surfaced 30 minutes after the first torpedo struck. All 41 members of the crew abandoned ship in 4 lifeboats. Thirty-four men in 3 lifeboats were rescued by the SS Moffet. The submarine was last seen about 2430.

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Ensign, USNR

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Fartygsnamn	CHARLES RACINE
Reg.nr	72042
Rederi/ägare	Skibs A/S Snefonn. Stavanger (NO)
Byggår	1937
Varv	Odense Staalskibsvaerft, Odense (DK)
Mått	Längd över allt 151,2 (LPP) meter Bredd över allt 20,1 meter
Geografisk plats	Övriga världen / Danmark / Köpenhamn
Kategorier	Lastfartyg Bogsering Hamnar i utlandet
Sökord	Tankmotorfartyg
Övrigt	Fartyget torpederades NO om Anguilla 10.3.1942 av den italienska ubåten "GIUSEPPE FINZI". Besättningen räddades. Namnsignal: LJOI D.w.t.: 15540 Br.t.: 9957 Lloyds Register 1938-39 Nr 72042

Arkivinformation

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