
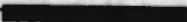



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British cargo-boat "Spanker" stranded on the Pier of Hook of Holland.
Length: 54 Metres
Date of event: August 7th
1954.

On August 7th, at 11 o'clock at night the 1200 tons measuring British cargo-boat "Spanker" from New Castle, which had left Rotterdam unloaded, ran ashore on the outmost point of the North-pier of Hook of Holland.

It was stormy weather and the boat ~~hit~~ stuck hard and fast on the pier. Where the ship touched the great stones of the pier, it was badly damaged.

In the early Sunday-morning, August 8th, the crew of 17 men left the boat, with the exception of the Captain, who of course stayed on board in order to save the ship.

In the afternoon of that very day the shipping-inspection made inquiries into the cause of this stranding already.

As the danger is great that the ship will sink during a transport to e.g. the port of Rotterdam, it is not unthinkable that it must be broken up ~~at~~ on the spot.

Though the cause is not known yet definitely, it is now established that, in the night of August 7th, the light of the North-pier was faulty, but that "Scheveningen Radio" had broadcasted this defect betimes.

- a. Some pictures of the stranded ship.
- b. " " of the moment at which the shipping-inspection leaves the ship.
- c. " " of the 64 years old Captain I O'Leugh, who stayed behind on the ship.
