

OIL TANKER BLAZE.

Dutch firemen take their lives in their hands when they tackle the Norwegian tanker Artemis, blazing near the Hook of Holland after colliding with a freighter - for there's 14,000 tons of petrol on board, which is already pouring from the crippled ship and may explode at any moment. Of the tanker's crew of 44, one is dead, three are missing, and several are injured - but the skipper managed to beach her before abandoning ship - which makes the firemen's task simpler - though no less dangerous.

For many hours the firemen fight the blaze - and manage to bring it under control without further disaster - but nothing can be done to save the tanker itself. Artemis is a gutted hull, fit for nothing but scrap.