

SHIPS CRASH HEAD ON.

The American 6,000-ton cargo ship Santa Alicia, badly holed in the bows, was safely towed to Southampton. At two in the morning she collided head on with the 11,000-ton Norwegian tanker Gorm. Booms were put out round the tanker to confine the escaping oil and prevent it being a nuisance to other ships. It was an astonishing collision in the main shipping lane off the Isle of Wight. The ships drifted five hours, locked bow to bow, anything might have happened. But the Gorm was towed to Fawley, the Santa Alicia was soon safe, and not one life was lost.