



MUNARGO trim and stability booklet, 1939, 1941, bulk 1939

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Creator

Munargo Line Company

Extent

1 Folder, 1 Item (12 pages, ¼ inch)

Scope and Content

Collection is open for use.

The collection consists of a trim and stability booklet for the freighter S.S. MUNARGO. It was produced by the Munargo Line Company in New York in November 1939 and includes general stability notes, as well as trim and stability diagrams. The diagrams are diazo, with crayon overlay, and show the vessel in profile. The booklet was approved by the Technical Division Bureau of M.I.& N. Department of Commerce in December 1939.

Agency History/Biography

The MUNARGO was built in 1921, in Camden, New Jersey, by the New York Shipbuilding Corporation. Prior to World War II, it was a passenger vessel operated by Munson Steamship Lines and the Munargo Line Company. (Munson went bankrupt around 1938.) The ship traveled from New York to Nassau, Miami and Havana during the years 1928-1940. For the first few years of U.S. intervention in World War II, the MUNARGO was used as a troop transport ship. It was berthed at the U.S. Army base in Brooklyn, New York. The ship was then converted into a U.S. Army Hospital Ship called THISTLE. In January 1944, the 206th Hospital Ship Complement, which was based at Camp Stoneman, California, a staging area for the San Francisco Port of Embarkation, was assigned to the THISTLE. During 1944, the ship was used to evacuate patients from Italy and North Africa and served as an evacuation hospital during the invasion of southern France. By January 1945, the THISTLE had crossed the Atlantic Ocean 11 times. The vessel was decommissioned as a hospital ship in March 1946 and converted for use as a dependent carrying ship in the Pacific. The THISTLE served in this capacity until October 1947. After that, the ship was taken out of service and remained part of a reserve fleet. It was scrapped in 1958.

(Taken from "Munargo Line," Maritime Timetable Images, <http://www.timetableimages.com/maritime/images/munarg.htm>, "Munson Line [Munson Steamship Lines]," Maritime Timetable Images,

<http://www.timetableimages.com/maritime/images/munson.htm> and “US Army Hospital Ship Thistle History and Pictures,” <http://hometown.aol.com/rseiple766/PAGE1.htm>)

Arrangement

Original order was maintained.

Provenance

This booklet was transferred from Golden Gate National Recreational Area to San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park in 1988.

Language

English

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Associated Materials

Thistle (hospital ship) photograph, World War II era. SAFR 19642, PHOCOLL P01-017

Reference Terms:

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Hospital ships--United States (LOOC)
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Index terms

Architectural drawings--Marine (TGM/LOOC)
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