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Dutch motor tanker HESTIA, under Capt. J.M. van't Hoen, was captured, and sunk by gunfire and torpedo by UB-23 when 32 miles west of Maas Lightvessel whilst on a voyage from Rotterdam to London in ballast. Thirteen of the crew were lost. Had Dutch and Chinese crew. The small motor tanker was of 959 gross tonnage and 1,030 tons deadweight. Length 190.0 ft. x 32.7 ft. x 13.2 ft. She was owned by N.V. Nederland. Indische Tankstoomboot Mij., The Hague, and was built in 1916 by Gebr. Pot, Bolnes.