

No. S. 247.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

British Ship "Sisiman" reports junk "Kwong Shuen Li" timber laden, abandoned July 29th, 12°36' N. 112°52' E. drifting Ninario direction.

CONWAY HAKE, Lieutenant, R.N.R.,
Harbour Master, &c.

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT,
HONGKONG, 4th August, 1921.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO MARINERS, No. 599.

CHINA—EAST COAST.

AMOY DISTRICT.

*Dodd Island Light-Station,
Possibility of Red Sectors of New Light not being effective.*

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 734, notice is hereby given that, owing to the increased power of the new light at Dodd Island Light-station, there is a possibility of the red sectors, as laid down in the "List of Lights," not being effective.

The greatest caution should therefore be observed when navigating in this vicinity, and, pending further investigation, no reliance should be placed on the red sectors being visible.

T. J. ELDRIDGE,
Coast Inspector.

THE MARITIME CUSTOMS,
COAST INSPECTOR'S OFFICE,
SHANGHAI, 29th July, 1921.

NOTICE TO MARINERS, No. 736.

CHINA—EAST COAST.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Yangtze River—North Channel Entrance.

Tsungming Crossing—Former report of sudden shoaling incorrect.

REFERRING to Special Notice to Mariners No. 598, notice is hereby given that a recent examination of the Tsungming Crossing proves the former report of a sudden shoaling, with a depth of water of only 10 feet between the West Spit Buoy and the Crossing Buoy, to have been incorrect. The depth of water on the Tsungming Crossing now averages 3 feet less than that shown on the Marine Department Chart No. 2—Woo-sung to Plover Point, re-issued in March, 1921, the least depth of water found between the West Spit Buoy and the Crossing Buoy being 15 feet at low water of extraordinary spring tides.

A copy of the recent survey can be seen at the Coast Inspector's Office.

CAUTION.

As the Tsungming Crossing shows signs of probable further deterioration in the near future, great caution should be exercised by navigators using this channel.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

T. J. ELDRIDGE,
Coast Inspector.

THE MARITIME CUSTOMS,
COAST INSPECTOR'S OFFICE,
SHANGHAI, 5th August, 1921.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS, No. 92.

Reported Derelict.

Captain T. Brown, S.S. "Yuet Wah" reports having passed on July 30th at 0.30 p.m. a derelict lighter about 50 feet in length, half submerged, in Latitude 16° 11' North, Longitude 119° 41' East, near Piedra Point, Cape Bolinao, Phillipine Islands.

Harbour Master.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
AMOY, 2nd August, 1921.

NOTICE TO MARINERS, No. 156/2464.

ACCORDING to His Majesty's Royal decree of the 28th February 1921 with amendment of the 8th July 1921 the Ministry of Communication has opened for public use a wireless telegraph service between ships and the outer Lightship at Bangkok Bar.

The present "Notice to Mariners" contains the rules, laid down in the said Royal decree and the amendment, with some supplementary regulations for that part of the service which is under the control of the Ministry of Marine.

(1) Ships, having wireless installations on board, may send messages to the Lightship from a range not exceeding 50 miles; but such messages can only be given from

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to 0—, from 3 to 3—, from 6 to 6—, from 9 to 9—, from 12 to 12—, from 15 to 15—,
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from 18 to 18—, and from 21 to 21—. The call-letters of the Lightship are H.G.R.

(Ships with wireless installations are, according to the Radio Telegraph Law B.E. 2457, not allowed to send telegrams by wireless, while being in Siamese territorial waters unless in case of distress.)

(2) Ships in sight of the Lightship may give messages at any time. Such messages should be given at day-time as signals in accordance with the International Code (or sent on board the Lightship by a boat), and in night-time as signals by Morse system (or sent on board the Lightship by a boat.)

(3) Messages, received on board the Lightship, will be forwarded to Bangkok wireless stations and delivered as soon as possible to the addressee.

(4) Messages from shore to ships at the Bar or at sea should be given in at the telegraph stations and will then be transmitted to the ships by the above mentioned signals if in sight of the Lightship, or by wireless, if the ship in question has a wireless installation on board and within the range-limit. In the left upper corner of the telegram the word "wireless" should be written before the address.

(5) The rate for sending messages from the Light-ship has been fixed at 20 satangs pr. word, with a minimum rate of 2 Ticals. If the telegram has to pass other wireless stations the same rate will have to be paid for each station passed. If the telegram shall be forwarded to the receiver by land-lines or sent to the receiver by post the additional charge will be according to the Regulations of 22nd May, 1920 from the Ministry of Communication.

(6) At 0 15, 3 15, 6 15, 9 15, 12 15, 15, 18 15 and 21 15 the level of the water at the Bar will be wired from the Light-ship to Bangkok W.T. Questions by telephone or otherwise, as to the water level at these hours will be answered gratis from Bangkok W.T.

(7) Questions from ships to the Light-ship, not intended for transmission to Bangkok, will be answered gratis from the Light-ship.

By order of the Ministry of Marine,

Commodore F. THOMSEN, R.N.,
Hydrographer of the Navy,
Director of the Hydrographic Office.

BANGKOK, 21st July, 1921.

The Government of the Philippine Islands
Department of Commerce and Communications
BUREAU OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
MANILA

August 4, 1921.

No. 611.

New Position of Light Davao, Mindanao.

THE fixed red light, large lens lantern, at Davao, Mindanao, which was formerly displayed from a white framed structure on the end of Government wharf, has been removed to the beach about 40 meters from the south end of the wharf, and is now displayed from a steel framed structure, painted white. Height of light above mean high water, 53 feet, above ground, 50 feet Characteristic, order of light and distance of visibility remain the same.

Approximate position :—

Latitude 7° 04' 17" N.

Longitude 125° 37' 53" E.

(On C. and G. Survey Chart No. 4624.)

(See No. 168, List of Lights, etc., 1920.)

Change of Characteristic of Light Cotabato, Mindanao.

The automatic acetylene flashing white light, showing one flash every five (5) seconds, has been changed to show one white flash every two (2) seconds. The position, height and arc of visibility remain the same.

(See No. 166, List of Lights, etc., 1920.)

Saluag Island.

The automatic acetylene flashing white light on Saluag Island, South of Sibutu Island, Sibutu Passage, Sulu Sea, has been reported not burning. It will be relighted as soon as practicable and proper notice will then be issued.

(See No. 180, List of Lights, etc., 1920.)

JORGE B. VARGAS,
Acting Director.