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"ATHELING"
Jacksonville Report No. 1494

vessel was built by the Seattle Tacoma Shipbuilding Company, Tacoma, Washington, in 1943 and was a CVE (aircraft carrier). She was purchased by Achille Lauro Company, registered in Naples, Italy, has been under survey for classification with the Society during the conversion to a C3 type vessel. The Owner intends to complete the reconversion and classification in Italy (probably in Naples) at which time he intends adding additional decks and fitting the vessel out for the carriage of passengers.

Owner's intentions for the completion of the vessel are not known, but she was placed in a satisfactory condition for the voyage to Italy, carrying cargo, at a draught of 28'6". The freeboard particulars in this connection were forwarded to London on the 18th April.

Plans of the alterations approved in this office accompany the committee reports, together with the type plans for the C3 vessel on which have been shown in red pencil the approved departures made to

In this connection considerable superstructure additional to that in a C3 type of vessel has already been fitted.

Lower new/deck shown on drawing No. S11-6-8 (accompanying reports) was not fitted before the vessel sailed, but it is understood that the Owner intends to fit it in Italy, together with other new decks and other plans which have not yet been submitted.

As a C3 vessel the ship would be eligible to be classed 100A with the proviso, but since the details of the final conversion are not known, since the vessel is in an incomplete state, it is submitted the classification characteristics should not be assigned meantime and the vessel be recorded "Classification contemplated" pending completion of the Owner's intention.

Boilers and tail shaft having been examined, the vessel will be eligible for records of B.S. 3-50, T.S.(C.L.) 11-49 when the classification survey has been completed.

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