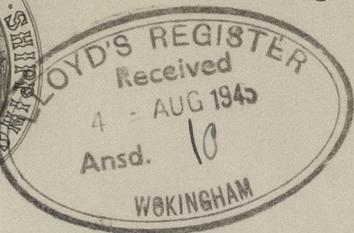


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Lloyds Bank Chambers,

Middlesbrough, 2nd August, 1945.



Dear Sir,

"Empire Annan" ex "Masuren".

The above vessel is now in this port, and is being submitted for General Examination in accordance with Circular No. 1772, and further circular of June, 1945.

In this particular case the only machinery items which have been submitted for survey are:- the vessel in dry dock, sea cocks and valves opened out, (tail shaft not drawn), the boilers in their entirety, and the main feed pumps, and diesel generators.

Owing to the shortage of labour the Licencing Officer will not grant facilities for opening up any of the main engines, and as there are no Engineers aboard who know anything of the previous history of the vessel, no particulars can be obtained relating to the condition, or performance of same. The Engineers who brought this vessel round from Methyl, left her soon after her arrival in Middlesbrough. From certificates (in German) sighted at the Ministry of War Transport office, it would appear that the tail shaft was last examined in September, 1943, and a survey held on the machinery engines and valves in July, 1940.

The wear down of the tail shaft has been checked and found to be 3/16".

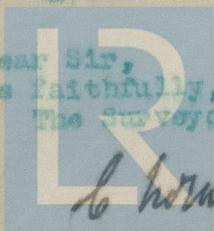
It could be arranged for a mooring trial of the main engines to be carried out, which procedure would have the support of the Licencing Officer.

In view of the above, and the very limited nature of the survey, we are submitting this case for consideration as to whether the vessel would be eligible for a record of Examined L.R. (with date).

We Are, Dear Sir,
Yours Faithfully,
The Surveyors,

The Secretary,
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