

S.S. "ASPHALION"

Managers: A. Holt & Co. - Built 1924.

Classed B.S. and M.B.S. on July 15, 1949

This ship is stated by the Owners to be in service between Singapore and Australia, and the Owners in their letter of September 26th express a desire to adopt progressive surveys. The letter mentions that in making the request they have in mind the case of their "Eurymedon" class vessels which are classed with Lloyds, and for which the principle of progressive survey of tanks has been accepted by L.R.

Until recently the ship held a Passenger Certificate, which the Owners now no longer require. The major portion of the Hull classification survey was carried out in July 1946, although in 1948 most of the Machinery was surveyed for class.

The British Corporation have already adopted progressive surveys on the Hull for renewal of Load Line Certificates of unclassified ^{cargo} ships managed by A. Holt & Co., and it is understood that the system was to be continued on the Hull and extended to the Machinery when such ships came into B.C. class. The question of the Society agreeing to progressive surveys for cargo liners is receiving consideration by the Chairman of the Classification Committee, and consequently it is out of order to intimate, at present, the Society's agreement to adopt progressive surveys for all items of this particular ship. It is submitted, however, in view of the agreement reached in the "Eurymedon" case (see memo 13th November 1947) that ~~the offices of~~ A. Holt & Co. be informed that no objection is taken to the proposal for the progressive survey of tanks in this ship as has already been agreed for the "Eurymedon" class of vessels.

It is for the consideration of the C.E.S.'s department if progressive survey can be extended to include Machinery items *in this particular ship.*

The Firm should be informed that their

proposal to extend the 'progressive survey'

principle to the machinery

of cargo ships presents many difficulties and has never been approved by the Committee

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