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Boiler repairs:-

Defective superheat elements removed & repaired or renewed, <sup>as necessary</sup> at North Eastern Marine Works (Wallsend) Rpt 10 attached.

Wear & Tear repairs:- It was noted in dry dock that slight leakage was occurring from between stern tube nut & stern frame boss.

The stern tube was examined from inside the aft peak, & the cement fillets at each end renewed.

The tailshaft was drawn & examined & found satisfactory. The stern tube nut was removed, found corroded on face & renewed. The boss face was dressed up, & new nut satisfactorily fitted.

On completion the aft peak was filled with water, & the nut examined & found tight.

O. Fuel conversion:-

Oil fuel conversion carried out at this time in accordance with approved plans. (~~13<sup>th</sup>~~ approved. 13<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>/10/49)

Oil fuel installation by Wallsend Shipway & Eng. Co. Ltd.  
(Rpt 10: Cent O.F.H. & 3 Cent. Pumps attached)

Simplex oil separator installed.

Pneumercator gauges fitted.

Oil fuel suction & discharge lines examined & tested as per rule requirements.

Oil fuel system, & pumps, & steam smothering system fitted with extended spindles & deck controls as per rule requirements.

On completion of repairs & conversion the main engines & auxiliaries were examined under working conditions alongside, the deck controls & steam smothering system were operated & all found satisfactory.

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