

14th December, 1948.

Dear Sirs,

I have to acquaint you that the case of the Steamer "TROCHURUS" has now received consideration in connection with the surveys carried out by the Society's Surveyors at Galveston in August/September last.

As a result of this inspection the vessel has been classed 100A1 "Carrying petroleum in bulk" "Fitted for oil fuel F.P. above 150°F." with Docking date 9.48 Gal. subject to permanent repairs to indented shell plating, etc. (s.s.f.) at the first convenient opportunity and thirty fathoms of chain cable being supplied at the first opportunity, also to the supply of a spare propeller. Notations of S.S. Gal-9.48, B.S. 9.48, and T.S. 9.48 have been assigned in respect of the Special Survey of the hull and the Boiler and Screwshaft Surveys respectively, together with a record of Classed 9.48. To complete the Machinery Survey all the requirements of the Society's Rules remain to be complied with, with the exception of the examination of:-

"Sea connections,
Both turbo feed pumps,
Main condenser,
Thrust and intermediate shafts,
HP feed heater,
Auxiliary generator lubricating oil coolers,
Air receiver,
Steam pipes."

The equipment of anchors and chain cables on board is equivalent to the requirements of the Society's Rules and has been tested by the American Bureau of Shipping. Although the equipment of the vessel is acceptable for the figure '1' you will appreciate that a notation of "Lloyd's A & CP" cannot be assigned and it is thought well to remind you in this connection of your obligations under the Anchors and Cables Act.

The case of the Steamer "TROCHISCUS" has also received similar consideration in respect of the recent Galveston Survey, and has been assigned a class of 100A1-10.48

Gal. subject to indented shell plates (p.s.f.) and fore-castle sheer strake plating (s.s.) being dealt with at the first convenient opportunity and to 30 fathoms of chain cable being supplied at the first opportunity. Notations of "Carrying petroleum in bulk" "Fitted for oil fuel F.P. above 150°P.", S.S. Gal.10.48, E.S. 10.48, Classed 10.48 have also been assigned, the vessel already holding a record of T.S. 1.48 relative to the Screwshaft Survey.

To complete the Machinery Survey all Rule requirements remain to be complied with except the examination of the following:-

"Aft turbo feed pump and turbine,
Main circulating pump,
Starboard condensate pump,
Centre forced draught fan,
Two oil fuel heaters,
HP feed heater,
Auxiliary condenser,
Inboard lubricating oil cooler,
Air ejectors,
Steam pipes."

The machinery class will be subject to the suction valves on the oil fuel bunkers being made controllable in accordance with the Society's Rules, also to the supply of a spare propeller.

The remarks respecting the equipment of the "TROCHURUS" are also applicable in the case of the "TROCHISCUS".

Yours faithfully,

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Classification Committee.

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