

ed by Chief Ship Surveyor

Received from Chief Ship Surveyor

VESSEL'S NAME S.S. LEILA ex DORPAT ex DIDO REPORT ROTTERDAM No. 33537A

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/52.)

This ship was built by Dunlop Bremner & Co. Ltd., Port Glasgow in 1920 to class BS*. The British Corporation were advised in a letter of 9.12.40 from the then Owners, Messrs. Ellerman Papayanni Line Ltd., that the ship had been abandoned at Brest in December 1940 and she does not therefore appear in the post-war B.C. Register Books.

For history of the case since the above date see letters of 15.3.50 to Lloyd's Surveyor at Helsingfors and 19.4.51 to the Rotterdam Surveyors when it was arranged that the latter Surveyors carry out a General Examination sufficient to enable them to say that, in their opinion, the condition of the vessel is consistent with a Special Survey having been held in August 1949 by the former B.C. non-exclusive surveyor at Helsingfors (Mr. Astrom), from whom it has not so far been possible to obtain reports.

The Rotterdam Surveyor reports 4.51 a general examination as far as practicable in drydock, and the requirements of an Annual Survey carried out (for details see report). A number of wear and tear repairs were carried out and indents in the bilge strake p & s amidships were noted, which latter the Surveyors recommend as an endorsement of class B. The shelter deck plating abreast No.3 hatch and cross bunker (starboard) and in alleyway abreast E. & B. casing (port) was found buckled. It was stated by the Owner that this was caused by fire in 1945. Temporary repairs were effected and the Surveyors recommend permanent repairs by June 1952. The Surveyors also report "The condition of the ship, as far as examined, in our opinion justifies the previous recommendation for restoration of former B.C. class, but it is submitted that the special survey for this reclassification be completed not later than June 1952."

Mr. van der Weel later states in a letter of 22.5.51 that this last paragraph should rather read "It is submitted the survey held by Mr. Astrom could be confirmed by the Committee as a Modified S.S., but it is suggested the vessel be submitted to a comprehensive survey when the damage repairs to shelterdeck will be carried out, that is not later than June 1952."

He states it is obvious "the survey held by Mr. Astrom had been carried out in an incomplete manner" and "the whole situation did not convey the impression that a real special survey had been carried out." "The general condition of the ship and its engines, however, was found such that reinstatement into the former B.C. class could be recommended, on the condition that not later than June 1952 a comprehensive survey be held, covering the 2 ensuing years or either submit the ship to a complete special survey for the next 4 years."

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THIS CASE IS SUBMITTED for the consideration of the
Committee.

OFFICE NOTE

This case is somewhat similar to the "BALLYHOLME BAY"
which was reclassified with the B.C. and assigned a
notation of "Modified Special Survey Hul 6.49", a
note being made in S.R.L. stating that the next
Special Survey was due 6.52, except that in the case
of the "LEILA" no reports are available on the
original survey.

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5.6.51 J.V.*



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