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This Vessel's Main Boilers were found to be severely wasted and the Vessel's class was continued on the 18th June, 1919, subject to repairs to the Main Boilers being effected on the Vessel's return to Rio de Janeiro.

On the 9th December the Rio Surveyor cabled "Owners state Vessel to proceed to Hamburg with cargo next month repairs are to be carried out on arrival at United Kingdom or Continent".

The Surveyor was requested to arrange with the Owners for a further examination of the Boilers to be held forthwith to entitle the Vessel to retain her class. To this the Surveyor replied "Main Boilers examined are in my opinion safe repairs may in my opinion be postponed until arrival home".

In January the Rio Surveyor reported that he had examined the Main Boilers throughout and found the lower parts of the combustion chamber plates badly wasted at stay necks and the furnaces locally pitted along the line of firebars. Repairs have been attempted with the Oxy-Acetylene process but without success and the Owners stated the Vessel would be sent to Europe for the renewal of the furnaces and combustion chamber plates.

The Vessel's class was continued subject to this being done before the end of March, 1920.

A cable has now been received stating that the Owners do not wish class retained.

It is submitted whether the Vessel's class should not be expunged from the Register Book and a black line inserted in lieu thereof indicating that the class has been expunged for reported defects.

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