

"TA CHING"  
n.n.  
"CHIU CHIN"

**COPY**  
and

"TA SHUN"  
n.n.  
"YUAN PEI"

The above converted "Castle" class Corvettes are Classed  
\*A- with freeboard. "For Service on the China Coast and Rivers".

On the 27th November 1946 a summer freeboard of 6'-9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ",  
corresponding to a moulded draught of 11'-0", was assigned to  
each vessel for service on the China Coast.

A cablegram was received from the Shanghai Surveyor stating  
that the freeboards now assigned were insufficient for the  
Owners and that the vessels were being overloaded. In reply  
to an enquiry the Surveyor now states that the freeboards  
assigned have not been marked and the Certificates have not  
been issued.

As freeboard is a condition of each vessel's Class, it  
is submitted the matter should be dealt with as coming under  
the heading "Non-Compliance with the Society's Rules".

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