

s. s. "AMERICAN FISHER"

This tanker was last submitted for Special Survey 8,37 and the "Examined" notation expired 2,46.

A Periodical Special Survey(C) (first priority) is therefore overdue.

The ship is presently laid up in New Orleans with upper rudder stock broken, rudder mainpiece, plate and arms bent and distorted, sternframe broken in two places, shell plates Nos. 1 in G, H & J strakes (p & s) fractured and one bower anchor and 45 fathoms of chain cable missing.

The class is subject to buckled bulwarks (p.s) being dealt with at the first convenient opportunity, to vessel (p.s.a) being specially examined at the next drydocking (striking wharf), and to repairs to rudder and stock, sternframe and shell plating (s.s.a) before the vessel resumes sea-going service, to windlass being opened up for examination, to 15 fathoms of chain cable being supplied at the earliest opportunity, and to (a bower anchor and 45 fathoms of chain cable being supplied).

There is a notation in the Register Book of "Laid up pending repairs".

With reference to the request contained in the attached letter dated 16.2.48 from Radonicich Limited, provided the Owners named by them are established, IT IS SUBMITTED they be informed that to enable the tanker to proceed on a loaded voyage (under 150°F) to Italy, the repairs recommended in New Orleans report No.6246 require to be dealt with and the requirements of a Periodical Special Survey (C) complied with. *so far as opening up is concerned and repairs as far as necessary.*

IT IS FURTHER SUBMITTED a photostat copy of the New Orleans Surveyor's report No.6246 (hull and machinery) be forwarded for their information and return.

*The position of machinery Survey is indicated on endorsement 12.3.47.*

*[Signature]*  
21.2.48.



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