

8th October, 1941

To the Surveyors at BALTIMORE.

SLS. "ITAMARATY" ex "WILLY"

3-JUN-1942

QUESTION

With reference to the Entry
in your Return of Vessels under Survey
for the quarter ended March last, I
shall be glad to learn how this case
now stands as the vessel's name does
not appear in your subsequent returns.

ANSWER

December 12th, 1941

In reply I have to refer you to the
similar inquiry dated 26th Jan. 1941, and
continuing therefrom have to advise as
follows:-

The vessel was brought to the Salis-
bury S.B. and Yacht Co., Salisbury, Md.
(which is about 150 miles from this port)
and were requested by a Mr. Spear, the Presi-
dent of a new concern which had recently
acquired this little wood yacht building yard,
to attend with a view to the vessel being re-
classified with this Society.

We attended the yard on 11th Mar. 1941,
and were surprised to observe the absence of
any plant or machinery for dealing with re-
pairs to steel ships. The facts were reported
to the Principal Surveyor in N.Y., and later
at Mr. Bennett's request, together with Mr.
Macpherson, Senior Engineer Surveyor from the
N.Y. office, the undersigned attended the yard
again with a view to reporting on the facili-
ties for repairing steel ships, and to advise
on reclassification requirements.

Mr. Spear, the President, met us and
informed us that he did not wish an inspection
of his premises carried out now or at any time
by classification surveyors, and that if we
still insisted on this inspection, he would
request us to leave the yard, which we did,
and advised N.Y. accordingly. We were then
instructed to withdraw from the survey. In
the meantime, repairs to the ship had commenced
and attempts were made to obtain classifica-
tion by the American Bureau of Shipping. The

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vessel has again changed ownership to Lloyd's Brasileiro, and has been brought to Baltimore for drydocking and completion of repairs.

At present, a specification is being drawn up with a view to ascertaining whether the vessel is worth the expense.

It is understood that Mr. Spear received a certain amount of money from the purchaser of the vessel in Rio de Janeiro, and on repairing same and receiving a classification certificate, would receive a further sum from the purchaser. This contract apparently failed and some litigation is proceeding. In the circumstances, it is considered inadvisable to render any account for expenses incurred in this matter, and the vessel was therefore removed from our List of Vessels Under Survey.

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