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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

3rd November, 1936.

Dear Sir,

S. With reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo respecting the steamer "OLIMPIA", I now beg to furnish you with the undermentioned particulars, viz:-

The vessel was built in 1916, by Messrs. Rickmers, at Bremerhaven, but the machinery was not installed until July 1919, and she was not delivered until July 1920. The date of launching was November 1916. The vessel was not built under the Society's supervision with a view to classification, neither does she appear to have been classed with the Germanischer Lloyd, and in these circumstances the dimensions 400 x 53 x 30 feet appear to would/be the approximate dimensions forwarded by the Builders. As the vessel was not to be classed, no particulars were entered in the 1919-20 Register Book, and only outline particulars (including the above dimensions), as furnished by the Builders, were printed in the 1920-21 Register Book.

The vessel was bought by Messrs. James Chambers & Co., of Liverpool, and was submitted by them for classification with this Society, and came under survey at

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Falmouth from the 26th April to 17th June 1921, and amended dimensions 419.2 x 55.8 x 28.6 feet were posted in the 1920-21 Book.

The vessel was classed by the Committee of this Society on the 8th July 1921, when the actual dimensions as given on the first entry report, namely 419 x 55.6 x 30 feet, were posted in the Register Book in the entry of the vessel under her new name of "WRAY CASTLE", No.39933 in the Supplement to the 1921-22 edition.

Until the end of 1924 the record of date of build stood in the Register Book as 1916, but in January 1925 the Owners raised the question as to the date which should be recorded, and again in March 1925, but no action was taken. In June 1925, however, they again brought the matter up, and in all the circumstances it was decided to record the date of build as July 1920, and this amended date was printed in the Register Book for 1925-26 and has since so appeared.

In September 1932 the vessel was sold to Italian Owners, and in November 1933 her class was expunged with a red line, indicating non-compliance with the Society's Rules, following which the dimensions were amended to (435 x 55.6 x 29.2 feet in the 1933-34 Book, the upper length (419

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being the Italian registered figure and the lower one
the British. These figures still stand in the present
edition of the Register Book.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

The Italian Vice Consul,
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