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**Lloyd's Register of Shipping,**

Collingwood Buildings,

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, 1.

13th May, 1950.

The Surveyors,  
West Hartlepool.

Dear Sirs,

Steamer "OAKLEY" (B.C. Class)

We have to advise you that we have today been informed by Messrs. Anthony & Bainbridge that the above vessel will proceed to your port where certain outstanding repairs will be carried out. We understand that Mr. Thompson, the Assistant Superintendent, will be in attendance on the vessel on Monday, the 15th instant, and that repairs will be effected by Messrs. Kindbergs.

For your information we have to state that this vessel was under our survey from April, 1949 to March, 1950 for completion of Classification Survey and Special Survey, and that notations of Special Survey Shl. 3.50, Annual Survey 3.50 and Dry Docking 3.50 were recommended. It was also recommended that the hatches in the bridge space and the forecastle deck companionway be placed in order before the end of April, 1950 (Newcastle Report No. 107157 refers).

Immediately after completion of certain repairs and when the vessel was loading at this port, instructions were received from the Freeboard Department in London stating that the following amendments should be carried out (Secretary's letter 'F' of 14-3-50 refers.)

- (1). Hatchways inside the bridge space to have their coamings increased in height to 9" above the deck and to be provided with covers or tarpaulins each, cleats and battening arrangements.
- (2) The flush bunker scuttles inside the bridge space to be replaced by hatches as in (1) above.
- (3) The sill of the companionway on the forecastle deck to be increased in height to 24" above the deck.

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It was not possible for the above work to be done when the vessel was under our survey, the vessel being already loaded, and arrangements were then made with the Owners, and also with the approval of the Freeboard Department, that the foregoing amendments would be effected upon the vessel's return to the United Kingdom on completion of her commitments.

Yours faithfully,  
THE SURVEYORS.

per

*L.R. Ryan*

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