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REPORT OF SURVEY FOR REPAIRS, &c.

Date of writing Report... 7th April 1955 When handed in at Local Office... 8-4-1955 Port of... Antwerp
 No. in Survey held at... Antwerp Date, First Survey 21st March Last Survey 3rd April 1955
 Reg. Book. S.S. "Argoson" (No. of Visits... TEN)

51911. on the Wood, Iron or Steel... Built at Vancouver B.C. By whom West Coast Shipbuilders Ltd When 1943, 10.
 TONNAGE: GROSS 7163. Owners Argonaut Navigation Co. Ltd. Owners' Address...
 UNDER DK 6708. Managers A. Lisi Ltd. Port belonging to LONDON.
 NET 4321.

Surveyed Afloat or in Dry Dock? Both Name of Dock At 192 North Merc No. 1 Destined Voyage U.S.A.
 Cell D B or D Ba... feet; uE & B... feet; f...
 total capacity... tons. FPT... tons; APT... tons; MT... feet tons.

Only alterations in the existing records of tanks should be inserted.

N.B.—All alterations in the existing records should be underlined.

Last Report, No. 53904 Port N.Y.K.

Particulars of Classification (which must be inserted precisely as in Register Book & Supplements)

CHARACTER	Machinery and Boiler
* for Special Survey.	Surveys
Date of last Survey and of Periodical Surveys.	(Including date of N.B., if any).
* 100.A.1	* LMC.MS.
11.53	12.51
	B.S. 12.54
S.S. Jck 12.51	TS. CL. 10.52
Fitted for oil fuel 10.43 F.P.	
above 150° Fah.	
P.E.W.	W.T.B.

In damage cases where the Surveyor has not made a special damage report he is required to state whether he offered his services for this purpose and to whom and why they were declined NOT REQUIRED.

Society's Freeboard (if assigned) as painted on Ship and now verified } ft. ins.

Was a damage report made by anyone else? if so, by whom? Yes, Sven? to Lloyd's.

REPAIRS, OR EXAMINATION AS PER RULE, FOR DAMAGES, DRYDOCKING, & CONDITION, EQUIPMENT.

Now DONE: On account of DAMAGE (A) stated caused by vessel resting on an unidentified object at a place and time unknown and, (B) very heavy weather on dates 6th to 16th October 1954, on a voyage NARVIK/BALTIMORE, loaded, and again on dates 10th to 28th January 1955, on a voyage EMDEN/NEW YORK, in ballast. (see vessel's log books for further particulars.)

DAMAGE (A). Ship in dry-dock: Bottom shell plating ex'd. and found badly set up, and leaking, in way of No. 5. D.B. tank, S.S.

REPAIRS for DAMAGE (A): Damaged plates dealt with as follows:—Renewed: "B.3"; Cropped and part renewed E.W. hulls:—"C.1", "D.4"; Cropped, removed, faired and refitted, hulls E.W.:—"A.6". Keel plate landing in way faired in place. P.T.O.

SUMMARY OF DAMAGE REPAIRS:—	Shell Plates.	Frames.	R. Frames.	Floors and Bracket Floors	Beams.	Inner Bottom Plates.	Dk. Plates.	Other Items:—
Part renewed.....	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Renewed	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	Rudder & bottom shell
Removed and faired or repaired	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	rivetting dealt with (see body of Rpt.)
Faired or repaired in place ...	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	

PRESENT CONDITION OF THE PARTS NOW EXAMINED:—

Decks... GOOD	Bulkheads... GOOD	Engine Room Skylights... GOOD	Copper, or Y.M. (State if on Felt) When fitted, month Year
Caulking of Decks... do.	Ceiling... —	Coal Bunkers, Openings, Covers, &c. —	Boats... Not ex'd.
Coamings... do.	Cement or Asphalt... —	Oil Bunkers in 2 D.B. Tanks... GOOD	Masts, Yards, etc. Good
Beams & Fastenings... —	Rudder... GOOD	Scuppers... GOOD	Condition, how ascertained from deck (State if wedges removed.)
Outside Plating... GOOD	Steering gear and its connections... GOOD	Cargo Hatchways... GOOD	Equipment letter at 2 1/4"
" " in way of sidelights... —	Windlass... GOOD	Hatches... GOOD	Anchors, No. of S.B. 15.
Frames... GOOD	Have pumps been examined and found efficient? —	Planking... —	Cables (State if now ranged) Not ranged
Reverse Frames... do.	Have Sluice Valves been examined and found efficient? —	Caulking... —	" length (on board) COMPLETE
Longitudinals... —	Have Watertight Doors been examined and found efficient? —	Treenails... —	" Rule length SIZE
Transverses... —	Have Ventilators and their Coamings been examined and found efficient? YES	Breasthooks & Stemson... —	Chain Locker... —
Floors... GOOD	Have Watertight Doors been examined and found efficient? —	Transoms, Pointers & Crutches... —	Hawsers & Warps... Sufficient
Keelsons... do.	Have Watertight Doors been examined and found efficient? —	Timbers of Frame or openings... —	Standing and Running Rigging... Efficient
Stringers... —	Air and Sounding Pipes on deck GOOD	" at other places... —	Sails... —
Inner Bottom Plating... GOOD	Doubling Plates under Sounding Pipes... —	Stringers, Clamps & Shelves... —	
Have the Tanks been examined internally? P.T.O.		Sailing... —	
Have the Tanks been tested? Two only		State if examined	

General Observations, Opinion as to Class, Recommendation, &c.:

State clearly whether any and, if so, what alteration is suggested to be made in the existing classification and notification of the vessel in the Register Book consequent upon this survey, thus, for example:—"to remain as classed in the Register Book without fresh record of Survey," "to remain as classed and to have record of survey, 1.38," or "to remain as classed and to have record of survey, 1.38, and the notations of ss No. 1-38."

This ship, in so far as now surveyed, has been found or placed in good condition and is eligible, in my opinion, to remain as now classed in the Register Book, with fresh record of "DRYDOCKING (ANT) 4.55", subject to No. 1. Cold deep tanks not being used as such until tested, but without subject regarding ladder anchor. Endts. of Class (B) "2. Bower anchors & stream anchor to submit to statutory test. Indented shell plates F.W. & G.W. (S.S.F.)"

Survey Fee (per Section 23) DRYDOCKING & EQUIPMENT £ 3000.
 Special Damage & Repair Fee (Many) "A" £ 3000.
 Travelling Expenses (if chargeable) £ 107.50
 Second Surveyor's Fee (if any) 1.980.
 Special Attendances 26/3/55 1.980.
 Committee's Minute 3/4/55 1.980.

Fees applied for, 8-4-1955
 Received by me, 19

J. Manson
 Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

THURSDAY 26 MAY 1955

Character Assigned 4.55 ANT, subject (with endorsement)
 NOT classed ANT.
 S(N) 3.55.

DAMAGE "B".

Found & Repair for DAMAGE "B" (Bottom shell.)

Plates renewed :- "Keel No.14", "A.15" and "A.16." (s.s.)

Damaged rivet holes and plate landings built up by E.W. as necessary, and approx. 600 additional slack rivets renewed in adjacent "A", "B", and "D" strike plating, p. 85.

Repairs tested under water pressure head according to rule on completion, and found sound and tight.

(Rudeler.)

Rudder plating found badly fractured, p. & s. sides, attachments of upper steady bearing bracket slack, heel pintle sleeve and bottom bearing bush broken & slack (all lignum vitae lining missing), lower middle stock in way of steady bearing badly worn, carrier bearing seating loose and all its holding down bolts slack.

When Anchors or Cables are supplied, the particulars are to be reported in the following form :—

ANCHORS.

Number of Certificates.	Anchors.*	WEIGHT EX STOCK.			WEIGHT OF STOCK.			TEST PER CERTIFICATE.			WEIGHT REQUIRED BY RULE.	Description of Anchor.	Makers.	Where and when tested and Superintendent.
		Cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	Cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	Tons	Cwts.	qrs.				
	1st Bower													
	2nd "													
	3rd "													
	Collection Weight													
	Stream.....													
	Kedge													

Spare bower anchor supplied and placed aboard at this time but relative test. not produced. Markings noted however and given in body of report - see under heading "EQUIPMENT"

Il Padri di San Giuseppe

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Rudder unshipped and sent to shop. Further detailed examⁿ: of damage showed same to be of such extent that short of complete stripping and rebuilding other repairs not considered practicable. In these circumstances, and to assist the Owner in meeting the ship's charter commitments, a proposal was put forward to fit a repaired and reconditioned rudder of similar type, which had been repaired and tested under supervision of surveyor to the American Bureau of Shipping. The proposal, together with the relative A.B. certificates (now attached hereto) was submitted to Head Office. Please see continuation Sheet.

Rpt. 9a.

Port of

Antwerp

Continuation of Report No. 30094 dated 8-4-55

on the

S.S. "ARGOVAN"

for consideration, and subsequently provisionally agreed to, per L.O. letter "SHIP" dated 30/3/55.

The repairs done to the reconditioned mudder were ^{examined &} verified against the relative A.B. cert. They were found satisfactory and the mudder is in good condition.

Now refitted, and the upper steady bearing, lower heel bearing, and the upper carrier bearing all completely overhauled and placed in good order. Alignment checked after re-assembly, and the steering gear tried and tested under working conditions on completion of repairs, with satisfactory results.

DRYDOCKING:-

Ship placed in dry-dock. Shell and bottom plating, stern frame, and rudder cleaned and examined, repaired as necessary, and recoated. Ship last seen in dry-dock 3rd APRIL 1955.

CONDITION :-

Generally ex'd.:- Weather decks, hatchways with their closing & securing appliances, ventilation and other deck openings, casings and superstructure bulkheads with their closing appliances, windlass, main and auxiliary steering gear and general equipment. These items all found or placed in good condition.

REPAIRS for wear & tear.

Local indents in side shell plates "F.18" and "G.21" p.s.f. heated and faired in place. A number of slack rivets in way renewed together with short section of buckled frame in way of the "G.21" indent - cropped and part renewed, shuts E.W.

Several fractures in longitudinal wash bulkhead between the 2 aft O.F. deep tanks - in way of previous E.W. repairs - now reinforced with E.W. dabling plates. Indent in aft bulkhead of the s.s. deep tank heated & riveted. Small fracture in way veed at, E.W., and reinforced with small dabling plate.

EQUIPMENT:- "S.R.L. item" Bower anchor to supply earliest opportunity"
Spare bower anchor, supplied from U.K. by W.L. BYERS & Co., now placed aboard
and securely stowed on foredeck, S.S. It was stated by the Owner's rep/ves
that the relative Proving House berths for this anchor had not been sent with
it, but it is clearly marked as follows: " L.P.H. L.W. 31786. 3,51.

52. 15. 2. 14.

L.R. 5174. 11.6.51."

Submitted that the S.R.L. entry regarding this item can be now deleted.
S.R.L. item: "Deep tanks in No. 1, hold not being used as such until tested."

Nothing done at this time with respect to this item. Subject to remain as now.
Endorsements of Class (Cat. B.) "Indented shell plates F.4, G.4. (s.s.f.).

Above shell plates specially exc'd. and remain efficient as minor shell blemishes. Submitted that they remain noted as such in the list of Endorsements. (Cat. B)

End't. of Class (Cat. B.) :-

2 Bower anchor ~~stream~~ anchor to submit to Statutory Tests.
Nothing done at this time. Item to remain recorded in list of Endorsements.