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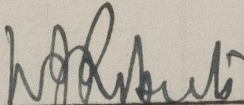
S/S "ARGUAL"
Mobile Report 2685 (BC)

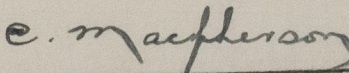
This vessel came under survey at Mobile on the 14th to 18th January, 1954 for Boiler Survey, and upon examination the Surveyor found the boilers in satisfactory condition, except for the upper port side of the forward boiler back circumferential seam. The repairs recommended by the Surveyor were unacceptable to the Owner, and at the Owner's request, the Surveyor discussed the case ^{at length} at the distance with the London office.

The London office concurred in the Surveyor's recommendations, but requested further particulars. Before these particulars could be forwarded to London, the Owners decided to withdraw the vessel from the Society's class.

It might be added that the boilers of this vessel have a previous history of chemical embrittlement and while no actual tests were carried out in this instance to determine whether the cracks were due to this cause, it is considered likely that this is a further manifestation of this condition of the boilers.

SUBMITTED THAT the vessel be assigned the notation of "Disclassified BS+ 1-54", in view of the fact that the Surveyor's recommendations were not carried out.


Principal Surveyor


Principal Engineer Surveyor



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