

POSTPONED SURVEYS.

Case of the T. S. Hopper Dredger "CHIEN SHE."

55489 in Reg. Bk. 4699 / 1808 tons, Built 1935-2

Hopper Dredger
sed 100A1 4.12.46 Owners Whangpoo Conservancy Board

Reclassified 7,47
ss Shi.-7,47 + *7.47*

Port of Registry Shanghai

*O.G. 5.10.46
P.N. 12.46*

ey Due Screwshaft Survey due 10,49
Boiler Survey due 1,50

March last the Hongkong Surveyors stated they had written to Owners at Shanghai but doubt whether a reply would be forthcoming.

to the time of closing down the Shanghai Office in May 1949, Dredger had been laid up since July 1947, and the boilers had not in use since that time. In the circumstances, the Committee decided to the Surveys in question being postponed for the present.

Hongkong Surveyors now forward a translation of a letter received from the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, Shanghai, reading follows:

"In reply to your letter of the 17th March, 1940, under the above caption, we beg to advise you that the matter has been brought to the attention of our superior authorities and it is their decision that the survey of the Screwshaft and the Boiler of Dredger should be conducted by our own surveyors."

their letter the Hongkong Surveyors add the following paragraph:

Committee's Minute *FRI. 4 AUG 1950*

on *Record Laid up pending survey*

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"As the position is a delicate one and the superior authorities referred to would possibly mean the Chinese Peoples Government, it is suggested that the vessel may meantime be given the notation "Laid up pending surveys;" and if, in the near future, our political relations become more friendly, the position could be further reviewed."



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