

Bethlehem Fairfield Shipyard Inc., Baltimore.

Yard No. 2353

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Received from Chief Ship Surveyor.....

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SEL'S NAME

SKIPSEA

(ex Samconstant)

REPORT

Gms.

No. 22881

Remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

This Liberty vessel was built in 1944 and classed with the American Bureau of Shipping.

Classification with this Society is now desired.

Plans for this type of vessel have been examined in this Office and the scantlings and arrangements found suitable for the class 100A-.

The GRIMSBY Surveyors report the vessel afloat, a GENERAL EXAMINATION held, and the Special Survey for Reclassification commenced.

A First Entry Report completed in accordance with Circular 1871.

Structural reinforcements as required for "SAM" ships have been examined and found in order except for item referring to butts of bilge keel (vessel afloat).

The hinged watertight door to tunnel has been replaced by one complying with Rule requirements.

TO COMPLETE S.S.: - Vessel to be examined in dry dock and requirements of Circulars Nos. 1850 & 1870 complied with.

F.P. tank (in way of chain locker), A.P. tank, Deep tanks, Nos. 1, 3, 5 & 6 D.B. tanks and O.F. settling tanks to be tested.

Anchors and cables to range and verify with certificates.

Chain locker to be examined internally.

Forward Deep tanks to scale and recoat.

Drilling of butts of bilge keel as required for "SAM" vessels to be examined or dealt with.

Bilge keel scalloped per Mr. Nel. 1-10-48.

The vessel has now on board 2 bower anchors and 1 stream anchor, and the Surveyor recommends spare bower anchor be supplied at the end of the present emergency.

The vessel was last examined in dry dock in May 1947 at Singapore, when she was transferred from the Ministry of Transport to the present Owners. (See letter 21-8-47).



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It is submitted the vessel is eligible to have the temporary class 100A1 (Classification Contemplated) assigned, subject to (a bower anchor being supplied); and to have notation of "Examined 12.47", valid for 12 months.

Insert in R.B:

100A1 (Classification Contemplated)  
"Examined 12.47" subject.

S.S. PART HELD.

It is further submitted the Surveyors be informed it is concluded 7 watertight bulkheads extending to the upper deck are fitted in this vessel, but they should state if this is so.

*see letter 26.1.48.*



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