

S.S. "N.T. NIELSEN-ALONSO".

Conversion of parts of lower 'tween decks for carrying Whale oil in bulk.

This steamer is classed 100A1 "Awning deck".

Proposals to convert this vessel for the carriage of whale oil in bulk in the hold spaces were dealt with in the early part of 1926.

A telegram has now been received from the Oslo Surveyors stating that the Owners propose to fit new bulkheads in the lower 'tween decks and to reinforce the existing 'tween deck bulkheads for carrying whale oil in some of these 'tween deck compartments, and particulars of the scantlings suggested as being suitable are submitted for approval.

In reply to an enquiry from this Office, it is stated that the 'tween deck tanks now proposed will be situated partially forward and partially aft, but will not be in communication with the main tanks below.

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed by cable that the proposed scantlings of the new bulkheads and reinforcement of the old bulkheads can be approved provided the vertical stiffeners on the latter be bracketed top and bottom. *having scantlings similar to those of the new 'tween deck bulkheads* In addition, an oiltight centre line bulkhead would require to be fitted, and the arrangements for making the deck oiltight at the side stringer will require to be to the Surveyors' satisfaction.

A plan should be forwarded showing ^{clearly} the position and extent of the proposed new oil compartments.



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