

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

Imperial House,

Donegall Square East,

Belfast, 12th November 1942.

The Secretary,
WOKINGHAM.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 10th instant with regard to the steamer "REEDPOOL", it is pointed out that in our Report No.12815 no reference is made to heavy weather.

The survey was held owing to a reported leak in No.2 D.B. Tank, which however as stated in the Belfast Report was not ultimately found to exist.

This reported leak was first noticed according to the log book soundings whilst the vessel was at sea on 1st November.

The reference in the Owners' letter in para.2 is therefore not understood - 'heavy weather during October 1940' etc.

The Owners contention that all our recommendations were carried out is correct, but as the vessel was not drydocked in Belfast at that time the class was made conditional to dry docking, as per Halifax N.S. Report No.3187.

If, as it is now stated, the vessel sustained heavy weather damage at a later date, it should be in order to confirm that when the vessel left Belfast no heavy weather damage had been reported, nor were heavy weather damage repairs outstanding.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors.

per

Wm Balfour

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