Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

SECRET AND
CONFIDENTIAL.

95, Bothwell Street,

Glasgow, C.2.   7th February, 1940.

Reference

Dear Sir,

Messrs. Lithgows' Yard Nos. 939/40/3 ('Y' Type)
and Yard Nos. 941/2/4/5 ('X' Type).

I beg to acquaint you that the above vessels are of the Complete Superstructure type and are being built with tonnage openings.   The scantlings are suitable for a draught 18" in excess of that contemplated by the Rules for a Complete Superstructure vessel having a tonnage opening.

The Builders were informed that if the vessels were built with a tonnage opening as stated by them, the draught would be that contemplated by the Rules for a Complete Superstructure vessel.   They now state that their understanding is that, with the increased scantlings arranged, the vessels will be able to load to a draught 18" in excess of the normal with the tonnage opening shown in the approved plans.

At the same time I beg to draw your attention to your letter of the 13th July last approving the original plans, and to letter of the 8th September last regarding the draught in Messrs. Chas. Connell & Co's type ship "MOUNTPARK", and have to state that it is proposed to inform the Builders that the increase in draught can/
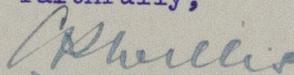
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can only be obtained with the tonnage opening closed.   As
this question may have been discussed by you with the Board of
Trade recently, I shall be glad if you will kindly let me know
whether the proposed reply to the Builders is in order.

                    I am, Dear Sir,

                        Yours faithfully,

                        C.Phillis

                        Local Secretary.

The Secretary,
  71, Fenchurch Street,
  LONDON.

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