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No. 118556.

REPORT OF SURVEY FOR REPAIRS, &c.

Date of writing Report 23. 10. 1942 When handed in at Local Office 23. 10. 1942 Port of LIVERPOOL

No. in Survey held at BIRKENHEAD Date, First Survey Oct 14th Last Survey 19th Oct. 1942

Reg. Book. 10261 on the Wood, Iron or Steel BENALBANACH (No. of Visits 2)

Tonnage: Built at GLASSGOW By whom C. CONNELLS CO. LTD. When 1940 10

GROSS 7153 Owners BEN LINE STEAMERS LTD. Owners' Address (If not already recorded in Appendix to Register Book)

UNDER DK 6901 Managers W. THOMPSON & CO. Port belonging to LEITH

NET 4356 Surveyed Afloat or in Dry Dock? Afloat Name of Dock BIDSTON Destined Voyage (check)

Cell/D/Bor/D/Ba. feet; uE & B. feet; f. feet } Particulars of Classification (which must be inserted precisely as in Register Book & Supplements)

total capacity. tons. FPT. tons; APT. tons; MT. feet. tons. } CHARACTER. * for Special Survey. Date of last Survey and of Periodical Surveys. Machinery and Boiler Surveys (Including date of N.B., if any).

N.B.—All alterations in the existing records should be underlined. Last Report, No. 22026 Port Leith

(Periodical Surveys, when held, must be reported in detail and serially in the terms of the Rules and items remaining to complete the Surveys should be summarised. State clearly the cause of Repairs, if any, and, in detail, the nature and extent of Examinations and subsequent repairs. Repairs on account of Damage (the cause of which must be stated) should be separated from Repairs due to other causes; and besides being detailed in the body of the report, should be summarised in the form shown below. Whenever the replacement of Anchors or Chains is reported the particulars should be clearly stated in the space provided on the back of this form. State also the dates and initials of any letters respecting this case.)

In damage cases where the Surveyor has not made a special damage report he is required to state whether he offered his services for this purpose and to whom and why they were declined. Society's Freeboard (if assigned) as painted on Ship and now verified } 9 ft. 8. ins.

Was a damage report made by anyone else? if so, by whom? (check)

REPAIRS, OR EXAMINATION AS PER RULE, FOR TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO BUCKLED WEB FRAME IN NO. 2 HOLD STARBOARD SIDE.

(SEE ALSO GREENOCK REPORT)

On examination found 1 shell plate on starboard side of No. 2 hold indented and web frame slightly buckled. 3 rivets in web frame being sheared. It was recommended that these 3 rivets be removed and bolts fitted. As this vessel was then loading urgent government cargo these rivets could not be dealt with, and it is therefore recommended that rivets in web frame be dealt with at the first available opportunity and remainder of the damage at the owner's convenience.

Annual freeboard Survey now held - no repairs necessary.

| SUMMARY OF DAMAGE REPAIRS :- | Shell Plates. | Frames. | R. Frames. | Floors and Bracket Floors | Beams. | Inner Bottom Plates. | Dk. Plates. | Other Items :- |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------|------------|---------------------------|--------|----------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Renewed ... | | | | | | | | |
| Removed and Faired or Repaired | | | | | | | | |
| Faired or Repaired in place ... | | | | | | | | |

| PRESENT CONDITION OF THE | |
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| Decks | Bulkheads |
| Caulking of Decks | Celling |
| Coamings | Cement or Asphalt |
| Beams & Fastenings | Rudder |
| Outside Plating | Steering gear and its connections |
| " " in way of sidelights | Windlass |
| Frames | Have pumps been examined and found efficient? |
| Reverse Frames | Have Sluice Valves been examined and found efficient? |
| Longitudinals | Have Watertight Doors been examined and found efficient? |
| Transverses | Have Ventilators and their Coamings been examined and found efficient? |
| Floors | Air and Sounding Pipes |
| Keelsons | Doubling Plates under Sounding Pipes |
| Stringers | |
| Inner Bottom Plating | |
| Have the Tanks been examined internally? | |
| Have the Tanks been tested? | |
| Engine Room Skylights | Copper, or Y.M. (State if on Felt.) |
| Coal Bunkers, Openings, Covers, &c. | When fitted, Month Year |
| Oil Bunkers | Boats |
| Scuppers | Masts, Yards, &c. |
| Cargo Hatchways | Condition, how ascertained (State if wedges removed.) |
| Hatches | Equipment letter |
| Planking | Anchors, No. of |
| Caulking | Cables (State if now ranged) |
| Treenails | " length mean diam. (on board.) |
| Breasthooks & Stemson | " Rule length size |
| Transoms, Pointers & Crutches | Chain Locker |
| Timbers of Frame at openings | Hawsers & Warps |
| " " at other places | Standing and Running Rigging |
| Stringers, Clamps & Shelves | Sails |
| Salting (State if examined.) | |

General Observations, Opinion as to Class, Recommendation, &c. :-

State clearly whether any and, if so, what alteration is suggested to be made in the existing classification and notification of the vessel in the Register Book consequent upon this survey, thus, for example:—"to remain as classed in the Register Book without fresh record of Survey," "to remain as classed and to have record of survey, 1,38," or "to remain as classed and to have record of survey, 1,38, and the notations of ss No. 1-38."

This vessel so far as now seen is in an efficient condition and eligible in my opinion to remain as classed, without fresh record of Survey. Subject to sheared rivets in web frame in No. 2 hold (SS) being renewed at first available opportunity and to web frame and indented shell plating in way being dealt with at the owner's convenience.

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| Survey Fee (per Section 29) | £ | : | : | Fees applied for, |
| Special Damage or Repair Fee (if any) (per Sec. 29) | £ | : | : | 19 |
| Travelling Expenses (if chargeable) | £ | : | : | Received by me, |
| Second Surveyor's Fee (if any) | £ | : | : | 19 |

Committee's Minute LIVERPOOL 27 OCT 1942

Character Assigned As now Subject GRP



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Is Certificate required? If so, to be sent to