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Dear Sir,

Steamer "NEDJAN".

With reference to the recent loss of the above ship with all hands in the Gulf of Gävle in the Baltic, we think it well to give the following translated extract from an interview with a former member of the crew which was published in "AFTONPOSTEN" on the 11th instant. It is understood that this man signed off the ship in December last.

"We went in to Aberdeen afterwards, where the engine was repaired. Lloyd's were on board then and condemned the ship immediately. For some reason the Owners were give 3 months' grace. The ship would therefore have made her last voyage at the end of January."

It is thought that the above refers to boiler repairs carried out at Aberdeen in October or November last and the "3 month's grace" refers to the fact that the boiler survey would have been due in March 1954, but as anyone reading the article in question might easily get a wrong impression, we should be glad to know what the position was so that we may draw the attention of "Aftonposten" to the misleading statement published.

Yours faithfully,
THE SURVEYORS, Gothenburg

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