

M.S. "SAN ERNESTO".

Messrs.Furness Shipbuilding Co's Yard No.300.

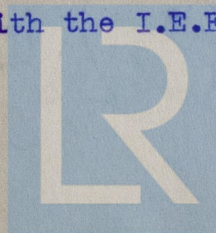
The Firm wishes to know whether fuses supplied with wireless apparatus should comply with the Society's general requirements for the electrical equipment of Tankers.

They state that the Marconi Company informed their local manager when this point was raised that "the wireless apparatus to be fitted on board this vessel complies fully with the B.O.T. requirements, and presumably, therefore, it also complies with Lloyd's requirements".

The present position is that the Board of Trade require electrical equipment to be in accordance with I.E.E. regulations, which have no special requirement for fuses in Tankers, but this Society in 1933 adopted a rule requiring tankers to be fitted with cartridge fuses. At the special request of the Board of Trade a committee of the I.E.E. was set up to overhaul the requirements for tankers, and the Society's rule for fuses was adopted, but the revised rules will not be published for another three or four months.

IT IS SUBMITTED the Sunderland Surveyors be informed the Society's Rules for Electrical Equipment, requiring fuses in vessels classed for carrying petroleum in bulk to be of the filled cartridge type, apply to all parts of the installation including the wireless installation.

It is well known that the Institution of Electrical Engineers are at present revising their Regulations for Ships' Installations and it is anticipated their requirements for fuses will be brought into line with those of this Society. As the Board of Trade require electrical installations to comply with the I.E.E. Regulations this



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will make the two requirements alike in this respect.

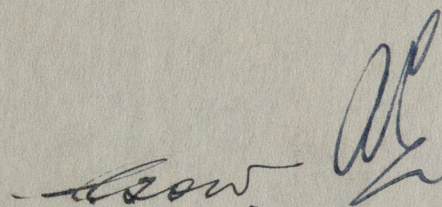
IT IS FURTHER SUBMITTED all Electrical Engineer Surveyors in the United Kingdom be informed accordingly.

IT IS FURTHER SUBMITTED the Marconi Company be informed it is understood fuses fitted to their equipment supplied for use in certain tankers now building to this Society's requirements are not of the filled cartridge type in accordance with Section 15 of the Society's Rules for Electrical Equipment.

It should be pointed out that the Society's Rules were amended in 1933 to embody this requirement, which has no doubt escaped their attention.

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