

ed by Chief Ship Surveyor

Received from Chief Ship Surveyor

8 APR 1941 No. 99286

SEL'S NAME "EMPIRE TARPON"

Rpt. Nwc

Remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement." - Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/32.)

This vessel was built in 1920, and in June 1921 the class was withdrawn at the Owners' request.

Reclassification with Lloyd's Register is desired, and the greater part of a Reclassification Survey S.S. No. 3 has been carried out.

A notation of 'Examined 5.40' had been assigned.

The NEWCASTLE Surveyors now report the vessel examined afloat and the Reclassification Survey slightly advanced.

At the same time a General Examination has been made and the vessel found or placed in efficient condition. The windlass and main topmast renewed, repairs to hatches, rigging, etc. effected, and the Surveyors recommend a notation of 'Examined 2.41', valid for 12 months, be assigned.

On account of damage through collisions, shell plates Nos. 3 and 4 in 4th strake below sheer (s.s) found slightly indented, together with framing in way, but efficient, and the Surveyors recommend repairs at the Owners' convenience. (1)

Forecastle side plating and bulwarks found indented, together with structure in way, and the forecastle deck and deck below found slightly set up etc. Temporary repairs have been carried out, and the Surveyors recommend permanent repairs at the first convenient opportunity. (2)

On account of damage from cargo, repairs have been effected to damaged sounding pipe and ceiling in No. 1 hold.

A bower anchor and a length of chain cable lost have been recovered and refitted.

On account of grounding, soundings taken and no signs of leakage found. The Surveyors, however, recommend further examination in dry dock at the first convenient opportunity. (3)

Some additional stiffening has been fitted under poop for support of armament.

The deep tank is now stated to be used as an oil fuel bunker, gutterways and sparring being provided as required by Section 20 of the Rules.



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This vessel is eligible in my opinion to have notation "Examined 2.41" etc.

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The Surveyors point out that the length of Poop is 34' instead of 48' as recorded.

It is submitted a notation of 'Examined 2.41', valid for 12 months, be assigned.

Insert in S.R.L

Exd. 2.41 - for 12 months.
Recommendations (1), (2) & (3).

In R.B.

Amend P 48' to P 34'.

Insert: Equipment letter "Z"

J.C.D.
4.4.41



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