

LEITH.

5th. May, 1919.

J.R. Henderson,

the Ministry of Shipping attend on board the S.S. "WOLFSBURG" of 6185 tons gross register on the 1st. April, 1919, and on subsequent dates, vessel lying in the Firth of Forth off Leith, for the purpose of ascertaining the general condition of hull previous to vessel being taken over by the Ministry of Shipping.

One steel deck and shelter Deck. Vessel built at Geestemunde 1915 by J.C. Lecklenberg & Co. Reg. Dim. 470.5 x 62.00 x 25.33. Official No. 143079. Port of Registry, London. Under deck tonnage 5686. Net 381.

The survey was held in conjunction with the Norske Veritas Surveyor and the Managers' representative.

The papers found on board state that the vessel was drydocked in Dec. 1918, and surveyed by the Germanischer Lloyd, and bottom found good.

Now done:- Vessel examined afloat, not in dry dock.

The decks, hatch covers and beams, peaks, holds and some of the timbers lifted at the bilges in all holds, ceiling and cargo battens fitted throughout the holds, equipment examined as far as possible, and found in good condition, 5 anchors.

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The double bottom was not examined internally, but ^{tank top} was carefully examined ~~also~~ under engines and boilers, and found in good condition. X

Owing to coal being in lower bunkers they could not be examined
Steam and hand steering gear overhauled.

HULL:- Forecastle head and boat wood deck recaulked.

2 ventilators over bunks in fireman's quarters trunked.

Ventilators fitted to 1st and 2nd Officer's room and hospital.

4 covers fitted on doors. Name plates on bilge and tank valve in engine room relettered in English.

6 lifeboat plugs supplied, accommodation ladder repaired.

Bread oven in galley repaired, brake screw and nut on windlass aft renewed and fitted.

8 lengths of wash deck pipe on port side aft renewed.

Steering gear control valve and reducing valves overhauled.

Telegraph dials relettered in English. Tank ceiling in way of hatches/ worn.

Lito silo on deck broken in various places. 12 wash hand basins broken.

No grain boards fitted in way of hatches, wood on board for same.

All cabins and saloons bare floors, no linoleum or carpets.

All oil lamps removed excepting in Dining room.

All curtains for doors missing, also 4 curtain rods.

In my opinion, as far as I could judge from the inspection made of the parts of the vessel which have been examined, this vessel appears to be in a fit condition to run for a period of six months.

(Sd) J R Henderson

Surveyor to Lloyd's Register.



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