S.S. "GULFOIL" Phl. Report No.1965.

The Philadelphia Surveyors report that this vessel's machinery has been constructed under special survey. The screw shaft has been fitted with liners the whole length of the stern tube, but the joints of these liners instead of being burnt as recommended in the Rules have been lapped and soldered. Experience has shewn that this type of joint is never permanently satisfactory and the Philadelphia Surveyors were informed to this effect in a letter dated 28th September, which however, would not have reached them until their survey on this vessel and her machinery was far advanced.

It is submitted that in the circumstances this shaft might be accepted in this instance subject to its being specially examined at the end of two years, and if at that time the joints between the liners are found to be in any way started, the liners should be cut back to enable the shaft to be examined in way of same, and that this vessel is now eligible for the record of ✠LMC 12-12 subject to the screw shaft being specially examined before the end of December 1914.

The vessel has been fitted for oil fuel.

This is a similar case to the S.S."EL SEGUNDO"

The Philadelphia Surveyors stated in a letter dated 12th December last that arrangements had been made with the various builders in that district in all their later contracts to fit the liners in one length.

It is submitted that
the vessel is eligible for
THE RECORD. + LMC 12.12. F.D.
subject to the screw shaft being
specially examined before the expiration
of 12.14.
fitted for oil fuel 12.12. FP above 150°F.

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