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USNS "GENERAL JOHN POPE"

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Undersigned Surveyors to this Bureau did, at the request of the Military Sea Transportation Service, attend on board the steel screw steamer "GENERAL JOHN POPE" of 12927 gross tonnage, on the 7th day of December 1955 and subsequent date, while the vessel lay afloat at Pier No. 90, Seattle, Washington, in order to examine and report upon the removal of sections of platform deck plating and plating of a watertight bulkhead and reinstallations with said removals being carried out for the purpose of providing access during period of carrying out scaling and cleaning and reports as follows:

## PLATFORM DECK

- 1.- Above deck is located forward of forward engine room bulkhead at frame No. 102 in starboard void space and is of non-watertight construction. A section of deck plating approximately 2' x 4" with rounded corners was removed for access without disturbance of welded attachments. On completion of cleaning operation, the removed section was re-inserted, the edges properly prepared and the assembly welded in place to the satisfaction of the undersigned.

## WATERTIGHT BULKHEAD (FRAME NO. 102) STARBOARD

- 2.\* A 20" circular opening was cut through the forward bulkhead at frame No. 102 of the forward engine room, approximately 15' outboard of the centerline and sufficiently clear of inner bottom plating to permit welding of a 3/4" x 2-1/2" compensating ring. This ring was drilled and tapped on a 22-1/2" bolt circle for 1/2" cap screws on approximately 3" centers. A 1/8" rubber gasket and a 1/2" x 25" O.D. steel cover were fitted and tested to the satisfaction of the undersigned.

It is the opinion of the undersigned surveyors that, with respect to the aforementioned removals and alteration the vessel is in a seaworthy condition and fit to retain her present class with this Bureau.



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