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17 Battery Place, New York, N. Y.
October 12, 1942

From: The Port Director, Third Naval District.
To: The Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

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Subject: Structural test firing of guns installed on the S.S.
ABIEL FOSTER, Armed U.S. Flag Merchant Vessel.

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1. Forwarded.

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By

[Signature]

Copies to: BuShips

Reference: BuOrd Div. 10, Serial 10412, 1 December 1941.

1. Four (4) rounds were fired from the 4" 50 Cal. gun mounted on each side of stern of vessel on June 12, 1942.

(a) One (1) round at zero (0) degrees elevation.
(b) Three (3) rounds at five (5) degrees less than maximum elevation.

2. The foundation holding the gun platform and other installations were examined and found to be in good condition.

3. The 4" 50 Cal. gun is ready for service.



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CC: Com 12.
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ARMED GUARD UNIT
S.S. ABIEL FOSTER
ARMED GUARD CENTER(Pacific)
Treasure Island
San Francisco, California

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June 16, 1942

From: Commanding Officer, Armed Guard Unit, S.S. ABIEL FOSTER.

To: The Chief of Naval Operations, Navy Department,
Washington, D.C.
The Chief of the Bureau of Ships, Navy Department,
Washington, D.C.
The Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department,
Washington, D.C.

Via: The Port Director's Office, Third Naval District,
Brooklyn, New York.

Subject: Structural test firing of guns installed of the S.S.
ABIEL FOSTER, Armed U.S. Flag Merchant Vessel.

Reference: (a) OpNav. ltr. Serial 396123, 1 December 1941.

1. Four (4) rounds were fired from the 4".50 Cal. gun
mounted on centerline at stern of vessel on June 12, 1942.

- (a) One (1) round at zero (0) degrees elevation.
- (b) Three (3) rounds at five (5) degrees less than
maximum elevation.

2. The foundation holding down bolts, the gun platform and
other installations were examined and found to be in good condition.

3. The 4".50 Cal. gun is ready for further use.

F. L. Bailey
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Ensign, D-V(G), USNR.

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