

19 September, 1940.

From: Captain of the Port.  
To: Collector of Customs, New York.  
Subject: Armed Merchant Vessels.  
Reference: (a) Your letter, 19 September, 1940.

1. The Norwegian S/S EVANGER was inspected this date and the following armament was found on board:

GUNS: One - 4 inch B.L. Wire Mark VII C.O.W. 1911 No. 1122. Elevation 15°-4°, arc of trail 280°, telescopic and open sights. Located on special raised platform on after deck house.

AMMUNITION: (For 4 inch) 41 cordite charges, 39 rounds H.E. shells, 8 practice rounds and 39 percussion tubes.

SMALL ARMS: One Ross Rifle .303.

AMMUNITION: 360 rounds .303.

MAGAZINE LOCATION: In port side tonnage hold 'tween decks. No means of flooding except by hose through hatch and door.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: Telephone, bridge to gun.

GUNS CREWS: 6 gun layers. Balance of gun's crew taken from regular ship's force.

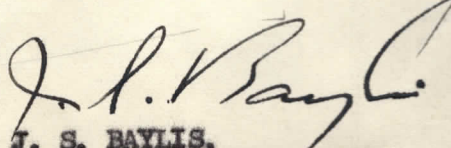
REMARKS: 8 steel helmets, 1 Kongsberg line-throwing gun, 4 rockets, and 1 Zig-Zag clock. Hull DeGaussed (wired).

It is the opinion of this office that the above-mentioned armament is carried for defensive purposes only, provided that this vessel is employed in normal trade.

2. Inclosed herewith are two (2) photographs showing the guns of this vessel.

FOR THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT:

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