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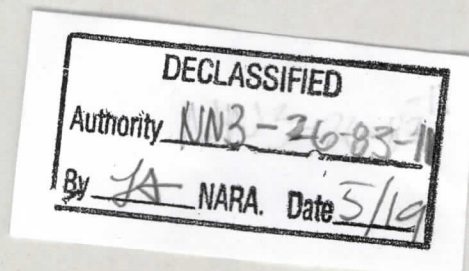
EXCERPT FROM 12ND BOARDING REPORT, "SS JEAN LYKES (US)", DATED 7/15/43.

"SS JEAN LYKES sailed from San Francisco, California, on 3 March 1943, and several days after departing, the drinking water became red and a red sediment was precipitated when allowed to settle. The taste of the water was not affected, nor did the water cause any illness. However, clothes washed in it were stained. An examination by a ship's officer of the tank where the water was carried disclosed that the discoloration had been caused by the dissolution of the paint or its disintegration when the mill scale on the tank plates flaked off. It was reported that the paint was manufactured by the Standard Paint Company, Staten Island, New York, and is known as "Ferro Primer D"."

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