

JUNE 3, 1936

**THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES**

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ACTIVE COMMITTEES OF THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION.

*New Committees:*

Committee to consider the state of the laws with respect to the limitation of shipowners' liability, and proposed amendments thereto, and to report to the Association:

ROSCOE H. HUPPER, *Chairman*,  
CLETUS KEATING,  
JOHN W. GRIFFIN,  
T. CATESBY JONES,  
FARNHAM P. GRIFFITHS,  
STUART S. JANNEY,  
HENRY P. DART, JR.

Committee to consider the advisability of changes in practice in connection with proceedings for limitation of liability, and to report to the Association with respect thereto:

JOHN J. GALEY, *Chairman*,  
ARNOLD W. KNAUTH,  
F. HERBERT PREM,  
MISS ELIZABETH ROBINSON,  
ROGER B. SIDDALL.

*Committees Continued from Previous Years:*

Operation of vessels by receivers (1935):

T. CATESBY JONES, *Chairman*,  
WILLIAM H. McGRANN,  
GEORGE WHITEFIELD BETTS, JR.

Safety at sea legislation (1935) :

EARLE FARWELL, *Chairman*,  
ALBERT T. GOULD,  
BRADEN VANDEVENTER.

Current legislation (1935) :

EMORY H. NILES, *Chairman*,  
WHARTON POOR,  
WILLIAM J. DEAN.

Aviation and admiralty (1929) :

VANVECHTEN VEEDER, *Chairman*,  
ALLEN B. A. BRADLEY,  
FREDERIC CONGER,  
CHALMERS G. GRAHAM,  
ARNOLD W. KNAUTH.

Extension of admiralty jurisdiction (1929) :

ROSCOE H. HUPPER, *Chairman*,  
GEORGE DEFOREST LORD,  
IRA S. LILLICK.

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INSPECTION OF S/S QUEEN MARY.

Arrangements will presently be announced for an inspection of the *s/s Queen Mary* in the latter part of June or the first part of July.

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PROGRESS OF LEGISLATION.

S. 3467. To amend Section 16 of the Shipping Act, 1916, to prohibit "false billing" and mis-classification of cargo. Has passed the Senate. Has also passed the House, but with an amendment. Has been returned to the Senate for action on the House amendment.

H. R. 9969 and S. 4655 (identical bills). See Document No. 224, page 2322. Amending shipowners' liability laws; also prohibiting passenger carriers from stipulating for arbitration and maximum limits of recovery for passenger damages. Passed both House and Senate on June 1st on Unanimous Consent Calendars.

S. 4619. To promote safety of life and property through the use of radio. To enact the substance of Articles 26, 31(17), 34 and 47 and Regulation 36 of the Safety at Sea Convention. Passed the Senate June 1st and sent to the House.

S. 4648. Ice and derelict patrol bill. To enact the substance of Articles 36, 37, 38 and 39 of the Safety at Sea Convention. Passed the Senate June 1st by unanimous consent and sent to the House.

H. R. 11915. Coastwise Load Line Law amendment. Passed the House. Also passed the Senate with amendments and sent back to the House.

H. R. 8597. To amend the Seamen's Act, 1915, and provide for continuous discharge books and certificates for seamen. Passed the House. Also passed the Senate with amendments on June 1st and sent back to the House.

S. 4725. Introduced by Senator Copeland. To license ship's electricians as officers.

H. R. . . . . . Introduced by Representative Bland as a substitute for H. R. 12840 and S. 4687. To further regulate the transportation of dangerous cargo, in particular carriers of petroleum products. A hearing on regulations for tank vessels has been called by the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Navigation, for Monday, June 29th, in Washington.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Next regular quarterly meeting, Friday, July 31, 1936.