

LAUNCHED AT GREENOCK

CLAN ROBERTSON, the third of four new refrigerated cargo ships being built for the Group by the Greenock Dockyard Company, was launched at Cartdyke Shipyard on 3rd May.

The inclement weather failed to dull the radiance of the ship's sponsor, Mrs. E. R. Duggan, wife of a Director of Clan Line and Manager of the Line's Glasgow Office, who named the ship and wished her Godspeed.

Clan Robertson's vital statistics are:—

Length overall: 529 ft. 4 ins.

Breadth moulded: 68 ft 6 ins.

Depth moulded to upper deck: 43 ft 1½ ins.

Approximate gross tonnage: 10,500 tons.

Approximate capacity of refrigerated spaces: 500,000 cu. ft.

Approximate deadweight carrying capacity: 11,500 tons.

Service speed: 17½ knots.

The ship is powered by a single Burmeister and Wain poppet valve turbo charged engine built by John G. Kincaid & Company Limited of Greenock, and is fitted with extensive automatic and remote control systems including automatic temperature control for refrigerated spaces.

Of the 500,000 cubic feet of insulated cargo space, 50,000 cubic feet will be at —10° F. for carrying deep frozen cargoes.

Speaking at the luncheon after the launch, Sir Nicholas Cayzer compared this new vessel with the first *Clan Robertson*, which was built in the Sunderland yard of William Doxford and completed in 1897. Her gross tonnage was 4,825 and she had a speed of ten knots. Her life with the Company extended for over 26 years.

Guests at the launch included members of the Kenyan Parliament and two 80-year-olds who relished being back in a shipyard. They were Mr. John Teale and Mr. Thomas McKirdy, both retired after long service with the Dockyard.

Gold

Badge

for

Master's

Wife



H.R.H. The Princess Marina presenting the Gold Badge of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution to Mrs. Margaret McCrone in recognition of the work she has done for the Institution in Skelmerdie over many years. The award was made at the Annual General Meeting in April

The Name's the Same

It all began with Ocean Travel Fortnight. Miss D. U. McLachlan, a Company shareholder, visited a mailship at Southampton and then thought she would like a picture of the ship whose name was similar to hers, if spelt slightly differently.

On receipt of a framed photograph of the *Clan MacLachlan*, she offered to the ship two photographs in her

possession—one depicting the present *Castle Lachlan*, dating from circa 1749 (the original castle was destroyed after the '45 and is now a ruin), and the other portraying the late Chief of the Clan.

The offer was accepted and Miss McLachlan visited the *Clan MacLachlan* at Tilbury on 7th April to present the photographs to Captain G. S. Rowland.



Captain G. S. Rowland and Captain G. A. D. Sergeant (right) Dock Superintendent, Tilbury, admire a picture presented by Miss D. U. McLachlan