

Launch of the M.V. Tzaneen



Sir Nicholas Cayzer congratulating the Sponsor after the successful launch; with them is Dr. de Wet, the South African Ambassador

The refrigerated cargo liner *Tzaneen* was launched on Wednesday, 15th April, 1964, from the Carlsdyke Yard of The Greenock Dockyard Company Limited. The naming ceremony was performed by Mrs. H. J. van Eck, wife of the Chairman and Managing Director of Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa Limited and a Director of South African Marine Corporation Limited.

No. 505 on the Builders' order book, this vessel is the third of three sisterships built by this yard for The British & Commonwealth Shipping Company Limited, to meet the express requirements of South African Marine Corporation Limited, who will operate them on charter in the South African fruit trade.

Among those attending the ceremony were Sir Nicholas and Lady Cayzer, Dr. van Eck, Dr. and Mrs. de Wet and The Hon. Anthony Cayzer in addition to a number of guests from the Republic of South Africa and several representatives of the manufacturers in the export trade.

Speaking at the Launch, Sir Nicholas said "Political stupidity" was the only factor which could stop South Africa going ahead and prospering.

He declared South Africa was "a country of enormous potential, and her prosperity was a great deal of the rest of the world's prosperity. Certainly we in Britain are very mindful of how important South Africa is to us."



Mrs. van Eck pinning a buttonhole on to the jacket of Francis Stewart, Burner's Boy, who presented her with the bouquet

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The Tzaneen being manruvred to her berth by tugs after her launch from the Carlsdyke Yard.

