



Left: Captain B. S. Biggs
in his "ice-breaking rig"



Right: Chief Engineer E.
Cottingham relaxes in an
easy chair

Captain B. S. Biggs, Master of the s.s. *Margaret Bowater*, served his apprenticeship with the Furness Prince Line, whom he joined in December, 1943.

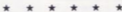
He obtained his Second Mate's Certificate in 1947 and during the next few years sailed as Fourth, Third and Second Officer with Prince Line. In 1951 he was appointed Jnr. Second Officer in Furness Bermuda Line and progressed to Chief Officer.

He joined the Bowater Steamship Company as Chief Officer in 1956 and was promoted Master of the *Margaret Bowater*, in April, 1958. He has since commanded various vessels of the Bowater fleet.

The s.s. *Margaret Bowater*, launched in 1954



[Photo: The Bowater Organisation]



WHO'S WHO

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The *Margaret Bowater's* Chief Engineer is Mr. E. Cottingham. Born in Leeds in 1908, he became apprenticed to Ruston & Hornsby Ltd., and commenced his sea career in December, 1929, when he joined the British Tanker Co.

Mr. Cottingham obtained his Second Class Steam Certificate in 1934, his First Class Certificate two years later and his Motor Endorsement in 1942. He survived an enemy torpedo attack and served much of his time during the Second World War east of Suez, with a twelve-month period in the North Atlantic.

In November, 1944, he came ashore, but after a few months returned to sea with Dracouris Ltd. and the Trader Navigation Co. Ltd. Mr. Cottingham joined Bowaters in August, 1957.