



■ Above left: Capt. R. Hart, fleet manager, talking to W. D. B. Davidson about his recent promotion from chief officer to master, during his pre-command management and briefing course, July 31 to August 10. Capt. Davidson joined the company on August 14, 1950, when he sailed as fourth officer in Lanarkshire. He gained his master's certificate on May 30, 1956 and his last appointment as chief officer was in King Alfred. Capt. Davidson is single and lives in Edinburgh. Picture: G. Snell.



■ Above right: Capt. R. Hart, fleet manager, (left) congratulating J. M. Brackenridge on his promotion from staff commander to master, during his pre-command course at the London office, August 28 to September 7. Capt. Brackenridge started his service with the company on June 29, 1949 as a fourth officer in Perthshire. He obtained his master's certificate on May 7, 1958. His last appointment was staff commander, Pendennis Castle. Capt. Brackenridge is married and lives in Surrey.



■ Above: David Innes (chief officer) and Carole Fisher (nursing sister) Pendennis Castle, were married October 17. He is 34 and she is 33. He comes from Dunblane, Perthshire and she from Troon, Ayrshire. They first met two years ago when she came on board Oranje with some friends who were visiting. Last March while she was working in South Africa they met again unexpectedly; in May they were both posted to Pendennis Castle.

■ At right: the commodore of the Safmarine fleet, Comm. D. W. Sowden, recently celebrated 21 years in command. At a ceremony in SA Vaal, he was presented by his senior officers with an onyx cigarette case, a matching ashtray and a soda syphon.



■ Above: Comm. Sowden seen with a group of his officers after the presentation. Capt. Sowden comes from a seafaring family and has spent 43 years at sea. His first command was Drakensberg Castle in 1952. He took command of SA Vaal in October 1970 and became Safmarine commodore in January 1972. Pictures: Transocean Photographic.



■ At left: Capt. Ruggie Kelso proposes a toast to Margaret and Stephen Martin in the Club Room on board Reina del Mar, during a special wedding party off Gibraltar. See story, column three, facing page. Picture: Transocean Photographic.