

readers' letters

Still going strong

Sir,
In CLANSMAN no. 27 R. W. Cantello wrote a nice piece about the Comet racing aeroplanes in 1934, and he included a photograph of the prototype being flown by Capt. Hubert Broad, chief test pilot of De Havillands.

R. W. Cantello ended his article by telling us that of the six Comet race pilots of 40 years ago two are still alive and flourishing. I am sure he knows, but your readers might like to know too, that Capt. Hubert Broad is also in that happy condition. He was staying with us only a few days ago and at the age of 76 still takes a vivid and keen interest in all aviation matters.

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Editorial note: Mrs. Barrett (née Hugh-Jones) is a former Union-Castle purser's clerk who served in *Garnarvon Castle*.

CLANSMAN looks forward to continuing R. W. Cantello's inside look at aviation soon, with the story of The Queen's Flight and its aircraft.

What about the ladies?

Sir,
Glasgow readers were pleased with the layout of the page for the pensioners' dinner (CLANSMAN no. 27, page 26). My only regret is that no ladies are included in this

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League matches so far. The combined team competing in the League Club Tournaments has won the first round in the League Challenge Cup and has a chance of reaching the second round in the Team Handicap.

We still have room for a few more players, writes J. Weight. Anyone in the London offices who wishes to join should contact the writer at Greenly House, or club secretary B. Crawford, also at Greenly House.

Lucky 13th for golfers

Friday September 13 was a lucky day for two Union-Castle sportsmen, Eric Travers (passenger marketing) and Dick Williams (north east area representative). They won the Royal Mail Cup in the London Shipowners Golfing Society autumn meeting, held at the Addington Golf Club, Surrey.

event, though two are shown on the opposite page at the South of England outing.

I realise that there are only two ex-Clan Line retired ladies in the Glasgow area but there may be others from the B&C associated companies in the West of Scotland or even farther afield. I pass on this thought for future occasions and would suggest that even if they are not included in an outing, they could be remembered in some other way such as flowers or chocolates.

Aileen STRUTHERS,
International Liner Services,
Glasgow.

Sorry, er, Eric!

Sir,
Who is this chap Ernie Kings (CLANSMAN No. 27)? For the past 51 years I have known him as Eric.

As everyone knows, Ernie runs the Premium Bonds. Maybe it's an omen: I'll check my numbers carefully next month!

ERIC KINGS,
organisation & methods,
Cayzer House.

Come and get it

Sir,
I would like to thank my ex-shipmates in *Good Hope Castle* for the handsome tray, decanter and glasses which I was delighted to accept from Ken Talbot during his recent short turn round in Southampton. I am the more appreciative knowing something of the difficulties involved.

If any of you should be motoring in the Trossachs area my wife and I will be delighted to welcome you and help you to sample the contents of the decanter.

Happy days to you all.

J. C. FORBES,
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Castle's Gillian is Industry Queen



■ Above: Gillian Hasworth, representing *Castle Holidays*, Colne, won the title *Miss Queen of Industry* in a contest sponsored by local papers (*the Burnley Express*, *Nelson Leader*, *Clietheroe Advertiser* and *Times*). Fair-haired Gillian, aged 20, is a Telex operator. She won the title in competition with finalists from all major employers within 30 miles of Burnley. A large party of *Castle* staff attended the final at the *Cat's Whiskers* night club, where celebrity judges included *Stuart Hall* of *Granada TV*.

Gillian faces an active year of local duties. Already she has given prizes at the *Press Ball* and opened a new social club in Burnley, and she took part with other finalists in a visit to London, staying at the *Cunard International Hotel*. Her main prizes were a *Cunard QE2* cruise for two and £75 spending money.

The cruise will come in handy as a honeymoon, for Gillian is planning to marry her boy friend Graham Farley in April. More about Gillian's year as *Industry Queen* in a future issue of CLANSMAN.