

# The mailships picture page



■ A crisp new look has been given to the uniforms worn by the stewardettes aboard the Union-Castle/Safmarine passenger liners. Designed by R. C. Miller (hotel services), the uniform is slightly fuller in design than the previous one. The new dress is in a pale blue cotton/terylene fabric with a white sailor collar, and is accompanied by a pretty blue and white checked apron. Some of the stewardettes aboard SA Vaal were pictured in their new uniforms with Derek Wickenden, chief purser. Picture: T. J. McNally.



■ Sam "Paddy" Harden and his wife, Jameina, attended a Royal garden party at Buckingham Palace on July 17. Paddy, chief radio officer of the mailship Windsor Castle, was one of the few merchant navy representatives at the garden party. The invitation came to Union-Castle through the Honourable Company of Master Mariners.

■ Introduced by Mike Warner, second purser, the Bolshy Vaulinski Vichyssoise Ballet troupe surprised both ship's staff and passengers with their masterly display of movements when their act was premiered on SA Vaal in July. Taking part were (standing from left) P. Stowe, junior engineer, J. Brezinski, fourth electrician, D. Allen, second electrician; (front row) A. Fox, junior engineer, A. Richardson, fourth engineer, Sonia Webber, nursing sister, and C. Evans, hairdresser. Choreography and costumes were by Sonia Webber and Jean Scantlebury (who has since left the ship to live in Johannesburg). Picture: Transocean Photographic.

