



■ *Clan Ross at Fowey, 1928. This is one of several interesting old pictures supplied by Capt. Ball (see letter).*

Stirling Castle bottle sailed 30 years

Sir,

A recent item of news on the radio and in the press here in Australia was of great interest to me and no doubt will be to you. It stated that a bottle has just been washed ashore at a place called Wilsons Bluff in the Australian Bight. It was apparently thrown overboard from *Stirling Castle* 30 years ago.

It contained two messages dated November 2, 1945. The first one gave the position 37 degrees south, 130 degrees east, and was addressed to K. F. Williams c/o Department of Main Roads, 390 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, NSW, Australia. The second message read "Homeward bound in the *Stirling Castle*, November 2, 1945, south-west of Adelaide, 300 nautical miles" and was addressed to A. W. Dull, 5 Rae Street, E2, Melbourne, Australia. Also in the bottle were three three-penny pieces dated 1911, 1934 and 1943. The finder, Kevin Pumphrey of BP Travellers Village, 10 miles east of Eucla, Western Australia, states that he will try to contact the people named in the messages.

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South Australia.

Urquhart golfers want some action

Sir,

First let me congratulate Brian Baines on winning the Cayzer Golf Trophy. From the report in *CLANSMAN* no. 32 it appears that weather was not conducive to good golf, but well done Brian!

My object in writing is to ask for information on the tournament in question. We have at Urquhart Engineering a few golfers who would be very interested in competing

in any open competition—not only for the golf but to meet other employees within the group.

Would club secretaries please let me have details of any future competitions that may be open to all employees of the B&C group?

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Perivale,
Greenford, Middx.

Thanks for a memorable trip

Sir,

May I, through the medium of your columns, thank everyone on board *SA Orange* who helped make my recent holiday trip so memorable. From the moment my children and I came aboard until we disembarked we could have asked for no more in the way of kindness and helpfulness. We visited my family and old friends in

■ *This picture of emigrants on the foredeck of a mailship, pre-Great War, was borrowed recently from British & Commonwealth archives and enlarged for an exhibition at the National Book League. The poet and artist Isaac Rosenberg, to whom the exhibition was dedicated, travelled to South Africa in 1914. The wall-size enlargement helped to re-create the atmosphere of sea travel as Rosenberg knew it.*

