

'QUEEN MARY' GOES TO WAR

On that memorable day when the queen Mary first sailed *in 1914*

~~down the route~~ no one ~~imagined~~ dreamt that in a few years she would steam into Australian ^{*waters.*} ~~harbours packed~~ with ~~nearly 15,000~~ soldiers. These are the first

pictures in which it is permissible to reveal the great liner in her new identity. Several times the Germans claimed to have sunk her, but she's still afloat, earning the Blue Riband of war service on many seas.

(3 out) On this occasion she was taking ^{*nearly 15,000*} Australians to an undisclosed theatre of war. She'll carry on her ~~war~~ duties till, with the coming of victory, she reverts to her peacetime role *of* ~~queen~~ of the Atlantic.