

LAUNCH OF R.M.S. "CARINTHIA"  
14th December, 1955.

NAMING CEREMONY BY H. R. H. THE PRINCESS MARGARET

Programme of Arrangements.

- 11.30 a.m. The Royal train arrives at Riverside Station, Clydebank.
- 11.35 a.m. Her Royal Highness arrives at the door of the Main Office, Messrs. John Brown & Company (Clydebank) Limited. She will be greeted by Lord Abercromby, Chairman of Messrs. John Brown and will enter the office where presentations will be made.
- 12.00 noon Her Royal Highness leaves by car for the "CARINTHIA".
- 12.05 p.m. Arrival at the launching berth.
- Her Royal Highness will be invited to inspect the arrangements for launching the "CARINTHIA". She will walk down the port side of the ship, return to the bows and then walk part of the way down the starboard side before going to the launching platform.
- 12.15 p.m. Her Royal Highness will arrive on the launching platform.
- The National Anthem.
- 12.20 p.m. Colonel Denis H. Bates, Chairman of The Cunard Steam-Ship Company Limited will welcome Her Royal Highness.
- Her Royal Highness will reply.
- Sir James McNeill, Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of Messrs. John Brown & Company (Clydebank) Limited, will invite Her Royal Highness to name and launch the ship.
- Her Royal Highness will be presented with a bouquet.
- Senior employees of Messrs. John Brown will be presented to Her Royal Highness.
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LAUNCHING OF "CARINTHIA" BY HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE  
PRINCESS MARGARET -- WEDNESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1955.

I thank you, Colonel Bates, for your kind words; and I would like to tell you, and all who are gathered here this morning, how deeply I have appreciated the wonderful welcome I have been given in Clydebank.

I am delighted that the first ship I should launch in this world-famous Yard should be for your great Company. My Grandmother, my Mother and my Sister have all launched ships here: ships which have names honoured across the seven seas.

I am confident that the "CARINTHIA" will carry on the great traditions, both of craftsmanship and service, which they so nobly maintain.

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SPEECH BY HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS MARGARET AT  
LUNCHEON AFTER THE LAUNCHING OF "CARINTHIA".

Wednesday, December 14th, 1955.

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I thank you, Lord Aberconway, for your kind words of welcome to me, and also for the beautiful brooch which you have just given me. This exquisite present from John Brown and Company and The Cunard Steam-Ship Company, will always be a joy to me, and a charming reminder of this happy and brilliant occasion.

I am delighted to be here at this celebrated shipyard, and I have been greatly touched by the warm and affectionate greeting which I have received. I remember so clearly my earlier visit here when I watched my Mother launch the ship which bears her name. Those two mighty sister ships, the grandest products of the two great companies represented here today, have indeed ruled the Atlantic during almost twenty years. We can all be certain that the "CARINTHIA" will carry on with honour the great traditions which are symbolised by the flag of The Cunard Steam-Ship Company.

This is the third Cunarder of her name. The second "CARINTHIA", another large passenger liner, did valuable work from 1925 until the outbreak of war when she was refitted as an armed merchant cruiser. She was, alas, sunk in 1940 after a magnificent struggle of which I have seen a most impressive account. Let us hope that the new "CARINTHIA" will never have to undergo any transformation from her peaceful duties and service.

I was greatly interested to discover that the very first ship constructed by the predecessors of John Brown and Company in 1852 was built to the order of the Cunard Line which was then only twelve years old. Thus was born an association which has developed over the years into one of the greatest and most fruitful partnerships that the Marine world has ever seen. Each is complementary to the other; on the one hand a renowned firm of shipbuilders, the quality of whose craftsmanship is hallmarked in all their sea-going products; on the other hand, an equally famous shipping line, whose skill in all the departments of sailing and managing great vessels is known and honoured everywhere.

Here is an example of co-operation and unity of purpose which we can all admire. That spirit is in fact vital, for without it we cannot as a nation survive. It is more important now than ever, in the face of the steadily growing competition of foreign industry.

I would like to turn now for a moment to the future of the particular ship which glided so gracefully down the slip-way this morning. Already "CARINTHIA'S" two older sisters have made a most successful start to the fulfilment of the purpose for which they were built. This is to carry across the Atlantic people who are making new lives in Canada, and to bring to this country many thousands of Canadian visitors. She in her turn will help to bind us still more closely to that land of boundless opportunity and ever-increasing influence. I speak not only of the exchange of trade, or the carriage of individuals, but of the all-important traffic in ideas and viewpoints, and the making and renewal of friendships. Our great Commonwealth depends and thrives on these contacts and this exchange of personalities between its many and differing peoples.

It is only in this widest sense of "Intercommunication" that one can appreciate the true value of the launching of a great ship which we saw today.

Finally, I think we must not regard the colourful and impressive ceremony which we have witnessed, as an isolated event, in any way complete in itself. It is but a link in a never-ending chain of hard work, skill, and enterprise, carried out by a host of people.

Whether they play a large part, or a small, all are partners in a great endeavour, and all can take pride in this, their latest accomplishment - the "CARINTHIA".

With them I wish her God-speed.

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"CARINTHIA" LAUNCH

14TH DECEMBER, 1955.

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