

QUEEN MOTHER VISITS ARK ROYAL.

To the giant aircraft carrier H.M.S. Ark Royal, in Portsmouth Harbour, comes Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother. Captain D.R.F. Cambell stands with her as she takes the salute at a march past of 1,800 of the ship's company on the huge flight deck.

The Queen Mother is no stranger to the Ark Royal; it was she who launched her, nearly six years ago.

After the march-past, Her Majesty makes a tour of inspection of the carrier.

A Royal drive-past on a ship's deck may seem a strange sight - but the deck of a modern carrier is as big as most parade grounds.

A Royal Navy Whirlwind helicopter waits to take the Queen Mother back to the grounds of Buckingham Palace.

A far cry from the time when a royal visit to Portsmouth was a matter of two day's journey by coach and six!