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QUEEN MOTHER AT DEAL,

Arriving at the Royal Marines depot in Deal, the Queen Mother is welcomed by Lieutenant-General Hardy, the Corps' Commandant-General. Handsome new quarters for other ranks have just been completed, and Her Majesty is here to open them. The new block will house nearly 800 men, mainly recruits; it has concealed central heating, and parquet floors - not to mention the window-boxes.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Cillescuin, is one of the V.I.P's who accompany the Queen Mother as she chats with youngsters just starting a Marine career.

The Queen Mother's next visit is to the Walmer lifeboat station, escorted by the station chairman Sir Gerald Wellaston. The station was established just a century ago; since then its boat has been launched 480 times, and has saved 675 lives. The Queen Mother presents Sir Gerald with a centenary wallum in recognition of this fine record of service.

This was one of the 19 lifeboats which helped evacuate the British Army from Dunkirk in 1940 - and many of her crew are still the same. As recently as 1951 - the last German tracer bullet was dug out of the boats' woodwork.