

■ *Visit of the Paramount Chief of the Zulu to Clan Robertson. At tea in the dining saloon, from left, A. McMahon (Vice-Consul, shipping), W. Wilson (Consul in Durban), A. Mangoma, Paramount Chief's ambassador in Durban, Paramount Chief Israel Kazulu, K. Hlope, Paramount Chief's private secretary, A. Creedeman (Department of Bantu Affairs), G. Buthelezi, Paramount Chief's aide de camp, Capt. P. Eckford, Master Clan Robertson. Also, seated rear right: Capt. R. J. Taylor, marine superintendent, Durban, and B. MacMahon, public relations, Durban.*



the Chief Zulu as a memento of the occasion. In his speech of thanks Israel KaZulu said he was "most impressed with the ship", and that he was grateful to the company for affording him the opportunity to visit her. He remarked that this was the first time he had ever been on a ship and was reminded of his grandfather, the famous Chief Cetwayo, who was the first Zulu to travel overseas to visit Queen Victoria on board one of the same company's ships.

After the presentation the group was taken on a tour of Zulu crew accommodation and the rest of the ship. When the Chief Zulu and party disembarked all the work at the docks stopped as African labourers came to greet their chief with the traditional royal greeting "bayete".

The chief was so impressed with his visit that next day we were asked to conduct 30 members of the college of chiefs, which is run by the South African government for sons of chiefs and headmen, to prepare them for their future responsibilities. Members of this group, all young Zulus of the 18-26 age group, displayed keen interest. Cayzer, Irvine in Durban are responsible for recruiting Zulu crew for B&C vessels and Royal Inter-ocean liners.

Cadet certificate

Cadet G. M. S. Olotu has been awarded the Merchant Navy Training Board certificate of merit for the high standard of work in his part one examination.

Engagement

An engagement is announced between Michael E. Wiggins, engineer cadet *Clan Maciver* and Miss Ann Sawdon of 3 Carlton Walk, Leeds.

Measuring eclipse

Christopher Laycock, 23-year-old B&C officer, was prominently pictured in the *London Daily Telegraph* on February 26. Watched by other students of the Merchant Navy College, Tower Hill, he was shown measuring the partial eclipse of the sun that was visible the previous morning. The method used was to project an image of the sun through a theodolite with a mirror.

■ *Constance Bowater working through the Welland Canal, Canada, during the 1970 paper season. At right, almost dwarfed in the massive 750 feet by 82 feet lock chamber. Below: emerging at the downstream gate. The Welland Canal, across the Niagara Peninsula, joins Lake Ontario and Lake Erie via a passage of 28 miles and eight locks, bypassing the Niagara River and Falls. The pictures were taken by S. Thomas, who has now left Constance Bowater and is boatswain's mate, Edinburgh Castle.*

