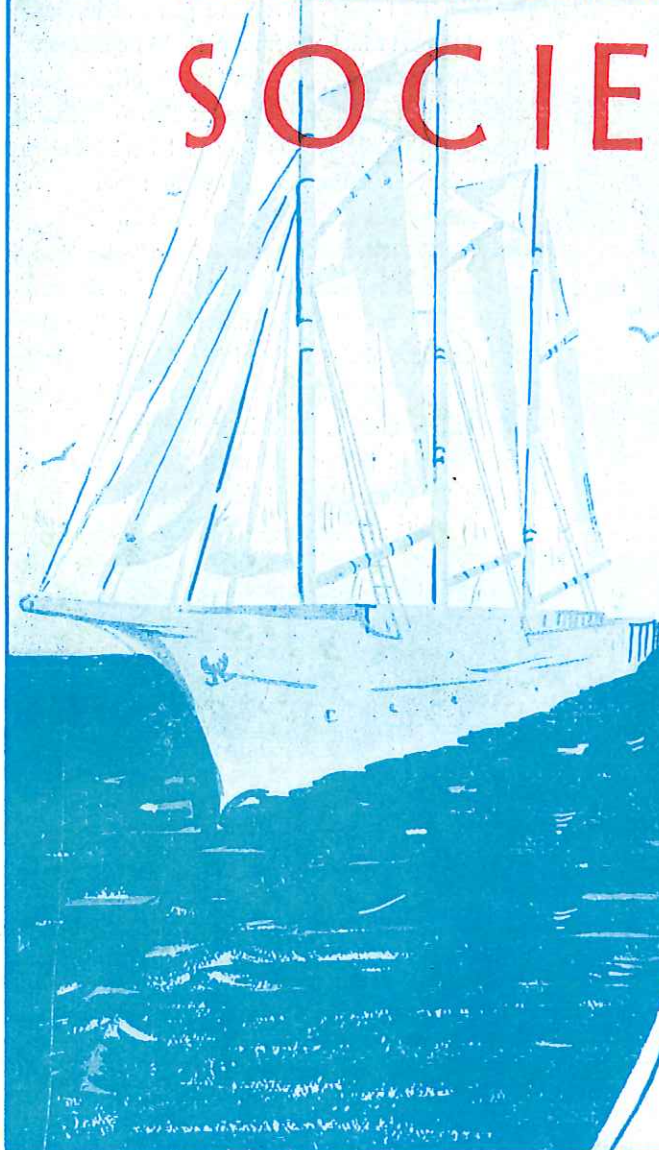


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The primary object of the Society is to train young Jews as Sailors, and find them employment afloat on board Jewish Ships. By this means a nucleus of experienced seamen and fishermen will be built up from whose ranks the future Master Mariners, Officers and Pilots of the Palestine Mercantile Marine will be recruited. Zebulun is becoming a great Jewish National movement, free from all party politics. In this movement all helpers and students are heartily welcomed; irrespective of their political complexion or allegiance. We are entirely dependent for our income on subscriptions received from our branches throughout the world.

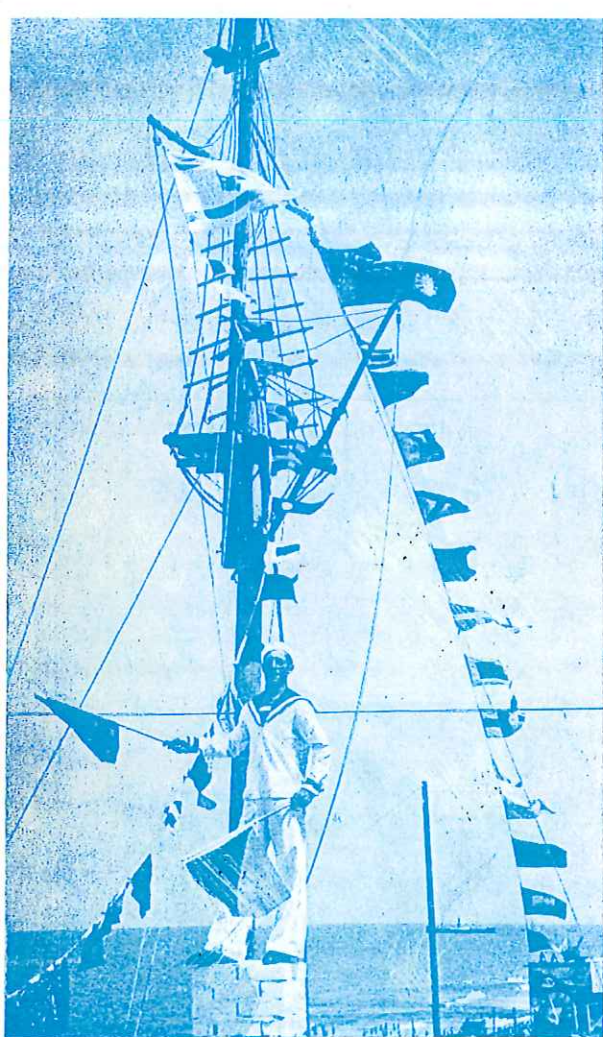
ANNUAL REPORT. We have pleasure in presenting our Annual Report which covers a period of continued progress.

NORTH LONDON. A new branch of Zebulun has been founded in North London under the chairmanship of Mr. H. Supran. Meetings, Lectures and Social Gatherings take place every Tuesday in the Club room at "Oaklands", 38, Pembury Road, Clapton, London E. 5.

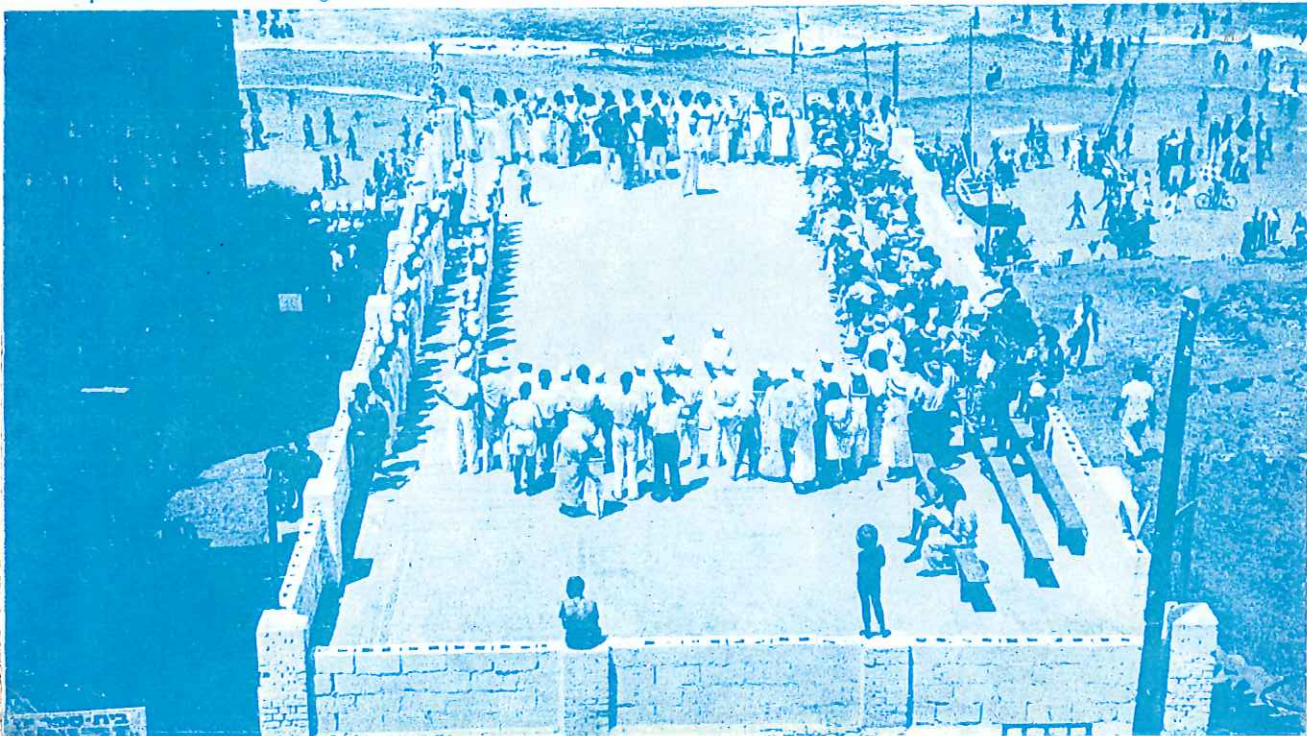
BRANCHES IN ENGLAND. Manchester has increased the number of subscribers, so has Leeds. The new Chairman in Liverpool and the Chairmen of other Branches will, we hope, increase their scope of work in the near future.

PROPAGANDA TOUR. The inaugural lantern lecture by our Chairman, Mrs. Henrietta Diamond, was given at a reception held in her honour by the Marchioness of Reading in July 1936, on the occasion of Mrs. Diamond's return

Roof of the school by the seashore during a review.



A practice mast erected in the grounds of the Tel-Aviv school.



from her successful tour. Subsequent lectures were given at the Anglo-Palestine Club, and also in London, Manchester, Liverpool and Leeds. Mrs. Diamond, who made extensive tours on the continent of Europe and in Palestine during the period under review, has given a series of successful lantern lectures depicting the work of our Society. A set of no less than 120 of these slides covering the activities of the Society is now available, for propaganda purposes.

During Mrs. Diamond's tour of Europe on behalf of the Society, she visited and lectured at Danzig, Gdynia, Warsaw, Cracow, Lwow, Bielitz, Katowitz and Vienna. The lectures were received with great enthusiasm and the large attendances bore testimony to the increased consciousness of the importance of building up a Mercantile Marine under the Palestinian flag.

BOATS. Our Honorary Nautical Adviser, Lt. Comdr. R. Goldrich, is negotiating for the purchase of a powerful motor-boat for our Tel-Aviv Branch. This will satisfy a much-felt need for the purpose of training our cadets in the handling of motor-boats with a view to utilising this knowledge in the Tel-Aviv Harbour and in the fishing industry off the coast of Palestine.

In addition to the five existing boats, the society has recently shipped two ex-Admiralty 30-ft. cutters and four ex-Admiralty whalers to Tel-Aviv, and with this increased number of boats available we intend to extend our activities and increase the number of students to no less than 200.

Landing-stage and Boats on the Yarkon River during a review.

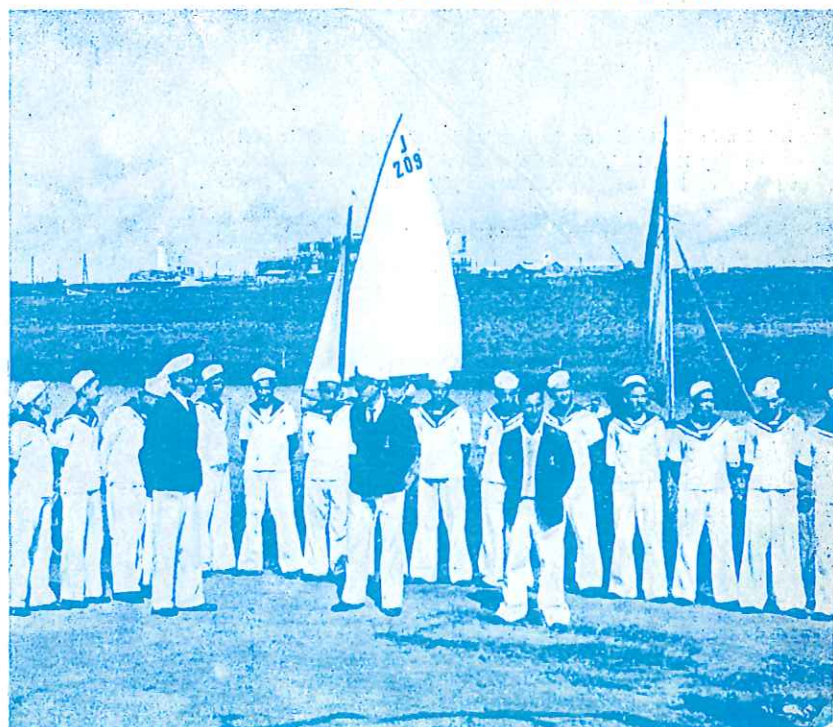


This shows the school and mast as seen from the seashore.



Above. Students pulling out the Boats from the Yarkon.
Cleaning and painting Boats.

Below. Review at the Yarkon October 1937.



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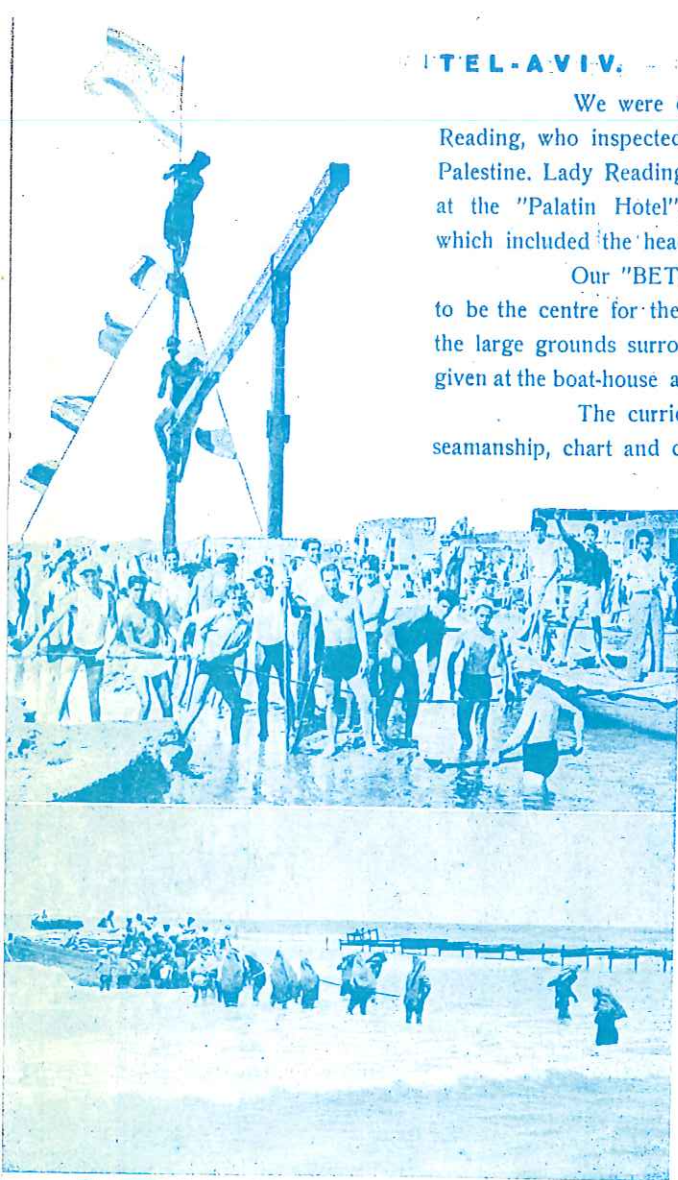
We were delighted to welcome our President, the Marchioness of Reading, who inspected the Society's Branches in the course of her visit to Palestine. Lady Reading was entertained at a reception given in her honour at the "Palatin Hotel", attended by a large and representative gathering, which included the heads of the Community, of all shades of opinion.

Our "BETH SEFER YAMI" on the Tel-Aviv Seashore continues to be the centre for theoretical instruction. Drills are held on the roof, and in the large grounds surrounding the school-house. The practical instruction is given at the boat-house and Landing Stage, which is situated on the river Yarkon.

The curriculum continues to include the essentials of navigation seamanship, chart and compass work, rule of the road, signalling, knots and splices, etc.; all instruction is given in the Hebrew language, but arrangements are being made to teach the English language as an additional subject.

In addition to the eleven Boats, a yacht, the "OPHEK", has also been refitted and has made two training trips to adjoining countries. The "OPHEK" is stationed in Tel-Aviv Harbour, all the other Boats on the Yarkon River. With the increased number of Boats our Boat-house was found inadequate. The Chairman, Mrs. Henrietta Diamond, is making a gift of a new Boat-house, which will facilitate the work and make for greater safety for all gear and equipment.

A "Zebulun Week" was held in Tel-Aviv between August 27th and September 3rd. The Chairman of the Tel-Aviv Branch, the City Mayor Mr. I. Rokach, opened the festive proceedings with the inauguration of the "OPHEK". Our members were taken to the Tel-Aviv Harbour, and the work of the Society was outlined by Mr. Tuvim.



Zebulun Students building the first landing-stage at Tel-Aviv port on May 19th, 1936, and hoisting the first Jewish flag.

Below: Some of the 50 Zebulun Students employed at the port of Tel-Aviv.



Training on the Yarkon in our boats.



In October a review of the students took place in honour of Mrs. Diamond's return to Tel-Aviv. The smart appearance and skill of the students bore witness to the excellence of their training and the film taken by the "Carmel News" was exhibited all over Palestine.

Our Ball held on 7th December at the "San Remo" Hotel was a great social and financial success, thanks to the Ladies' Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Israel Rokach.

The work at Tel-Aviv has now passed out of the preliminary stages and a very much larger budget is required for future work. This has been recognised by the citizens of Tel-Aviv and we are pleased to be able to report that, in spite of the difficult times, funds are now being raised locally for this important work.

We acknowledge the very generous subscriptions from Tel-Aviv Banks and large Industrial Companies, collected through the efforts of Mr. M. Greidinger, our Hon. Treasurer in Tel-Aviv. With the assistance of Mrs. H. Diamond and the Secretary Dr. Cetlin, a large number of subscribing members of the Society have been enrolled and their interest and support will still further strengthen and assist our important work.

During the year under review, our Honorary Chief Instructor, Mr. I. Tuvim, visited England and took the opportunity of inspecting the training ship H. M. S. "WORCESTER" at Greenhithe in the company of the Hon. Nautical Adviser Lt.-Comdr. Goldrich. Mr. Tuvim took back with him a wealth of information in connection with training for the Sea Services and we look forward with confidence to the time when Palestine will possess a training establishment of the importance of the "Worcester".

HAIFA.

We can report great expansion in the work in Haifa where nearly 100 boys, seniors and juniors, are being trained. The Zebulun Club in Haifa, where the theoretical instruction is given, is very attractively furnished. The nautical instruments, appliances and lifebelts give it a pleasant atmosphere of sea life. Practical work is done in the Haifa Harbour. Headquarters in England granted £. 200 for Boats and Equipment. This sum has been doubled by friends of the Zebulun Society in Haifa, thanks to the efforts of the chairman, Mr. Etkes.

The last review in October, which was attended by the District Commissioner, was filmed and shown in all Palestine Cinemas and was a tribute to the great success of the Haifa Branch. A large silver cup has been presented by Mr. Polak of the Nesher Cement Factory, and another by Mr. Etkes, to the winning teams. Haifa will get additional craft in the near future, so as not to keep the enthusiastic boys waiting when they come for their practice in the Haifa Harbour.

Mrs. Diamond addressing the boys at a review. In the left foreground can be seen Prof. and Mrs. Klausner

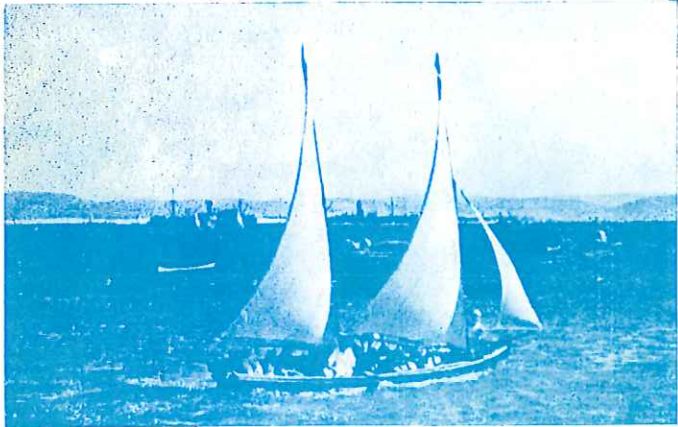




Review of Students in Haifa harbour.



Mrs. Etkes presenting the Polak and Etkes cups to the winning teams.



Training in Haifa harbour.



"Toss your oars"! Haifa gig's crew saluting, October 1937

POLAND.

A Conference took place at the Polish Headquarters office in Cracow. England and Palestine were represented by Mrs. H. Diamond and Danzig by the Chairman, Mr. Walter Sielman. It was decided that the Gdynia School for Fisheries, which was supported by Cracow for the first year, be taken over by Danzig, with some assistance from London Headquarters. The Polish Zebulun continues to grow and does very valuable propaganda work in newspapers and booklets. A director for practical propaganda has now been appointed who will travel between the Polish Branches with a view to increasing the number of members and co-ordinating their activities. It is proposed to use the funds collected in Poland for the purpose of paying instructors and purchasing fishing vessels for Palestine.

DANZIG.

Several enthusiastic seafaring "MACCABI", with the permission of the "Maccabi World Union" created the "Zebulun Danzig Branch" in May 1936. The Branch is under the supervision of the "Maccabi" President, Mr. Erich Braude, "Zebulun" Chairman, Mr. Walter Sielman and two Executives. The aim of this Branch was to get a trawler to train ten fishermen, but they were asked to pool their efforts with those of the neighbouring Gdynia Zebulun School of Fisheries. Danzig provided the instructors and leader, Captain Pietsch, boats, nets, equipment and money. In June 1937 the first seven fishermen passed their examinations and duplicates of the diplomas were sent to Mrs. Diamond, to enable her to secure the seven immigration certificates from the Jewish Agency.

In August 1937 the second year's training began with six picked Chalutzim from the Gordonia Kvutzah. In September 1937 a new fishing vessel with sails and full equipment was built by the Danzig Branch, under Captain Pietsch's supervision. In October Captain Pietsch was called on to supervise the building of fishing cutters with motors in Lodz. The Consul, Max Kon, is investing certain capital in Palestine Fisheries, and it is planned to send Captain Pietsch to Palestine to find the most suitable places for the establishing of fishing settlements.

Mr. Erich Braude was able to place three of our Gdynia Students on the s. s. "RUTH" of Goteborg, for a trip to South America.

The Gdynia young fishers together with their instructors seen out in the Baltic during a snow-storm.



As we go to press, we are informed by Mr. Walter Sielman, the Chairman of the Danzig Branch, that last year's young fishers are coming with Captain Pietsch to Palestine in order to found a fishing settlement between Tel-Aviv and Haifa.

A plan has been mooted for Zebulun to build a second floor on the Nautical school in Tel-Aviv and use the lower floor as a school of Fisheries. The Gdynia School would remain a preparatory School.

AMERICA.

Our efforts in America are being continued and at an Exhibition of Palestine Painting large artistic photographs of our students and our work were exhibited.

We are pleased to welcome Rabbi Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Wise, as Honorary Vice-Presidents, and we thank them for their generous subscription. Mr. S. Zitlovski has kindly agreed to help our work in U.S.A.

OFFICERS.

We are pleased to be able to report that another Jewish sailor, Danko Kabilio, has passed his Officer's examination at Zagreb, Yugo-Slavia. He was a cadet on the s.s. "Har-Zion", to which he is returning as officer. Collections in aid of "Zebulun" are made on each voyage of the "Har-Zion", and these are used to assist cadets with their examinations. This is the fourth "Zebulun" cadet to receive his diploma, the three previous ones having been awarded in London.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Our report would be incomplete if we did not extend thanks to our host of willing helpers, to the Chairmen and Executives of all Branches, the Honorary Nautical Adviser Lt.-Comdr. R. Goldrich, our Chief Honorary Instructors Engineer I. Tuvim and Captain Zeev Hayam, and their assistants, and all Honorary Secretaries.

There is very rarely a movement that is carried on by so much voluntary work, given with such devotion to our cause.

ZEBULUN is making untiring efforts to achieve the realisation of its aims, and we hope that Jewry all over the world will assist us by becoming members of our Society, by helping our budget, by collecting for boats in the name of their town, or in honour of a citizen or a dear memory. The contribution we each make, will assist in one of the most vital requirements for the development of our land and the future of our People.

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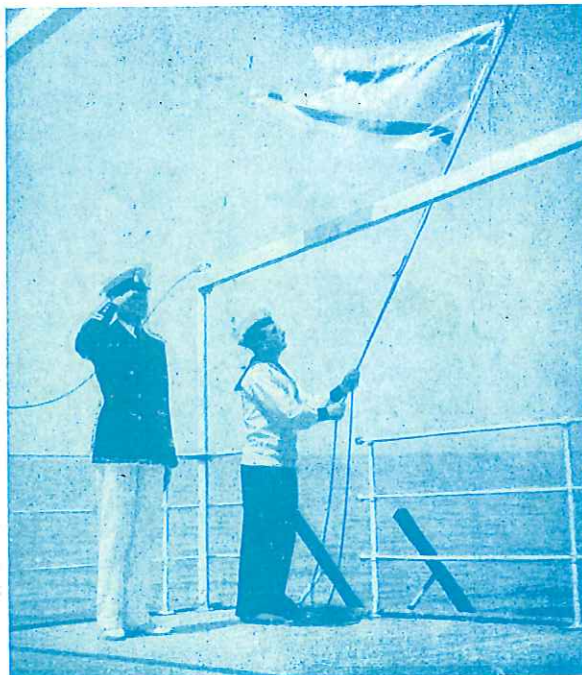
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