

(xvii) H.M.S. "ENCHANTRESS" arrived Sydney for convoy escort duties. 30.10.40

(xviii) H.M.S. "GEORGETOWN" arrived St. Johns, Nfld. 31.10.40

(b) Convoys -

(i) On October 24th a Slow Convoy left Sydney, N.S., under the ocean escort of H.M.S. "DEPTFORD". The 31 vessels in the convoy consisted of 16 British, 8 Norwegian, 3 Greek, 2 Dutch and 2 Polish, all of which were bound for the United Kingdom. 24.10.40

(ii) On the 22nd, 24th, and 25th October, respectively, the Bermuda (15), the Halifax (20) and the Sydney (2) Sections of a convoy left their assembly ports to effect junction at sea. The Bermuda Section, until junction with the Halifax and Sydney Sections, was under the escort of H.M.S. "RAJPUTANA". The combined convoy sailed under the ocean escort of H.M.S. "ASCANIA". The 37 ships consisted of 28 British, 5 Norwegian, 2 Dutch, 1 Swedish and 1 Belgian, all of which were bound for the United Kingdom. 22.10.40

(iii) On the 26th, 28th and 29th October, respectively, the Bermuda (8), the Halifax (18) and the Sydney (12) Sections of a convoy left their assembly ports to effect junction at sea. The Bermuda Section, until junction with the Halifax Section, was under the escort of H.M.S. "RANPURA". The combined convoy sailed under the ocean escort of H.M.S. "JERVIS BAY". The 38 ships consisted of 26 British, 4 Swedish, 3 Norwegian, 2 Belgian, 2 Polish and 1 Greek, all of which were bound for the United Kingdom. 26.10.40

(iv) On the 29th October a Slow Convoy left Sydney, N.S., under the ocean escort of H.M.S. "FOLKESTONE". The 14 vessels in the convoy consisted of 7 British, 3 Norwegian, 2 Greek, 1 Dutch and 1 Swedish, all of which were bound for the United Kingdom. 29.10.40

(v) There were 5 independent trans-ocean sailings during the week, 2 from the Atlantic Coast and 3 from the Pacific Coast.

4. Works.

(a) A total of 99 D.E.M.S. inspections were carried out during the week at the following ports: Sydney (44), Halifax (22), Montreal (21), Quebec (6), Esquimalt (4) and Saint John (2).

(b) The following were fitted with 4-in. Breech Loading guns last week:

"MURENA"
"LISBETH"
"SOLSTEN"
"CAPE HORN"
"BIC ISLAND".

(c) The following vessels have been taken in hand:

(a) The "OSLOFJORD", at Halifax, for installation of arming, bridge protection and degaussing gear.