

# Meccano Model-Building Competition

## Prizes for Model Merchant Ships

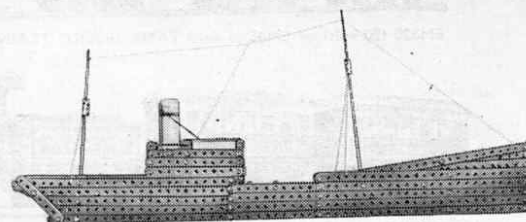
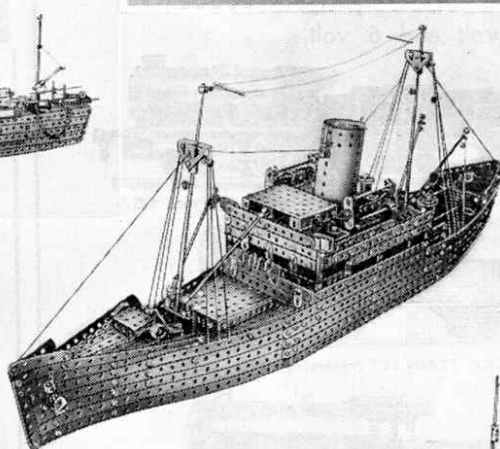
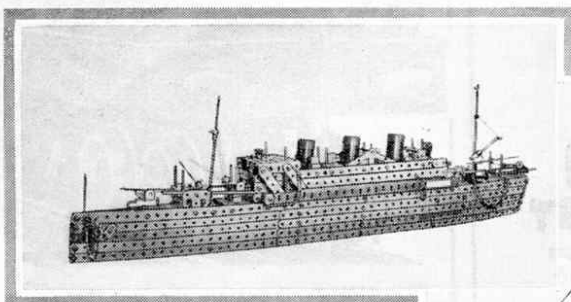
This month we are organising a competition for all kinds of model merchant ships. Models of warships and naval vessels generally are not eligible. The competition is open to every owner of a Meccano Outfit, no matter what his or her age may be, and there are no entrance fees. There is no reason, therefore, why every model-builder should not make use of this chance to win a prize.

Merchant ships provide plenty of scope for model-builders, for there are so many different kinds of vessels

a camera, and cannot obtain a professional photograph, should set to work to make a neat drawing. Some of the principal prizes in past competitions have been won by competitors who submitted only drawings of their models, so that intending competitors in this contest need not be discouraged if they cannot obtain a photograph.

In order to give each competitor a fair chance, irrespective of age, the competition is divided into three sections as follows—A, for competitors over 14 living in the British Isles; B, for those under 14 living in the British Isles; C for competitors of all ages living overseas.

The Home Sections A and B will remain open for entries until January 31st, 1935. Overseas entries must be posted in time to reach Liverpool on or before 31st March, 1935. Entries should be addressed to "Ship" Model-Building Contest, Meccano Ltd., Binns Road, Liverpool 13.



Three successful models from "M.M." Competitions. Top: Ocean liner by C. Tidman, Hillingdon, Middlesex. Centre: A Dutch freight ship by W. F. Bladergroin, Amsterdam. Bottom: A neat coasting vessel, which won a prize for J. C. Scowcroft, Cleveleys.

to choose from, including passenger liners, cargo ships, oil tankers, dredgers and steam tugs. The competition therefore should make a strong appeal to all enthusiastic model-builders. Readers who do not have much opportunity of inspecting actual ships at close quarters will be able to find plenty of illustrations of various types of merchant ships in past issues of the "M.M." or in the daily illustrated newspapers. We hope that every reader will send in an entry and try to win one of the fine prizes listed on this page.

Models should be built as closely as possible to scale, but unless the model is a large one it is wise not to include much detail. A small model will look better if it is simply constructed, particular attention being given to obtaining a realistic outline for the hull and superstructure.

All models submitted must be built by the competitor without assistance from anyone.

When the model is completed and the competitor is satisfied that nothing further can be done to improve it, the next thing is to prepare an illustration of the model. This may be either a photograph or a drawing, but it is best to send a photograph if possible. It should be clearly understood that the actual model must not be submitted, and those competitors who do not possess

Each photograph or drawing must bear the competitor's name, age and full address, and the letter (A, B or C) indicating the Section of the Contest for which he or she is eligible.

If the model contains any special features that are not shown in the photographs or drawings, it is advisable to write a short description that will make everything quite clear, and send this with the entry.

Photographs or drawings of unsuccessful models will be returned to the sender only when a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed. It should be noted, however, that photographs or drawings of prize-winning models become the property of Meccano Limited, and will not be returned.

Competitors are advised to take special care in the preparation of their photographs or drawings, for a good clear photograph or a neat drawing goes a long way towards winning the favour of the judges.

### "Merchant Ship Model-Building Competition"

#### The Prizes

A similar and separate set of prizes will be awarded in each of the Sections, A, B and C as follows:

First Prize: Meccano or Hornby Goods value £3-3s.  
Second Prize: Meccano or Hornby Goods value £2-2s.  
Third Prize: Meccano or Hornby Goods value £1-1s.  
Fourth Prize: Meccano or Hornby Goods value 15/-.  
Five Prizes of Meccano or Hornby Goods value 5/-.  
Eight Consolation Awards of Goods value 2/6.  
Certificates of Merit.

Prizewinners will be allowed to choose any goods they like from current Meccano or Hornby Train price lists.