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### **Merchant Navy Registration Books**

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Photocopies of official seamen's registration books and certificates of discharge, 1937-84, with some additional certificates, of two merchant seamen and an officer, largely working for various shipping lines based in Edinburgh, and registered in the Port of Leith, or in Glasgow.

*Copies made with the permission of the owners of the originals, Messrs T D Searle & R A C Thomson, Edinburgh, and Alexander Wallace, Stirling.*

1. Copies of registration books and other certificates of Thomas David Searle, Edinburgh, 1937-84, as a deck boy, ordinary seaman, A.B., bos'n, and chief petty officer:
  - (i) Registration book, 1937-52, with additional discharge certificates of competency, etc, 1938-46.
  - (ii) Registration book, 1952-69.
  - (iii) Registration book, 1969-72.
  - (iv) Registration book and record of sea service, 1973-84.
2. Copies of registration books and other books and certificates of Alexander Wallace, Stirlingshire, 1943-69, covering voyages as a cadet, mate, and master mariner.
  - (i) Registration book, 1943-8; includes sight test and 2<sup>nd</sup> World War gunnery certificates.
  - (ii) Registration book, 1948-69: voyages covered are mostly with the Clan Line, Glasgow.
  - (iii) Certificate of Competency of Captain Wallace as Master of a foreign-going steamship, dated 16 Jan. 1953.
  - (iv) Membership book of the Navigators and Engineer Officers Union, 1948-55.
3. Copies of registration books and other certificates and documents of Robert Adam Christie Thomson, West Lothian and Edinburgh, 1948-81, as a deck boy, galley and catering boy, assistant cook and steward, ship's cook, chief steward and cook-steward.
  - (i) Registration book, 1948-54.
  - (ii) Registration book, 1954-72.
  - (iii) Registration book, 1973-81; with vaccination and other health certificates bearing date stamps, 1964-81.
  - (iv) Ships' cookery and sea survival certificates, 1956-77.