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His Royal Highness steps ashore from the motor yacht Elettra II, berthed in the Frederiksholms Kanal, Copenhagen. [Photo, Politikens Presse]

ELETTRA II AT COPENHAGEN

THE MOTOR YACHT Elettra II, the Marine Company's research and demonstration vessel, arrived in Copenhagen at the end of September, after visiting ports in Finland and Sweden. Representing the English Electric Group of companies, she was one of the five industrial yachts demonstrating maritime products and techniques.

At her berth on the Frederiksholms Kanal, she attracted many visitors, but the most distinguished was His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. As she awaited the royal visitor, dressed with flags, paint and bright-work gleaming in the sun, her gangway draped in Red Ensigns and the Quo Vadis scanner rotating, she looked both decorative and proficient.

His Royal Highness showed great interest in her equipment: in the Salvita, Quo Vadis, Martinet, Seagraph II, Graphette, Transarctic II, Gannet, Lodestone, Jericho and MIMCO.

Then, his inspection completed, with a salute and a wave the Duke stepped ashore, leaving in the visitors' book a lone signature in a bold hand—Philip.



H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh during his inspection of the Marconi Marine research vessel Elettra II at Copenhagen, questions D. P. Furneaux, Management Executive, M.I.M.C., regarding the Salvita portable radio equipment for lifeboats