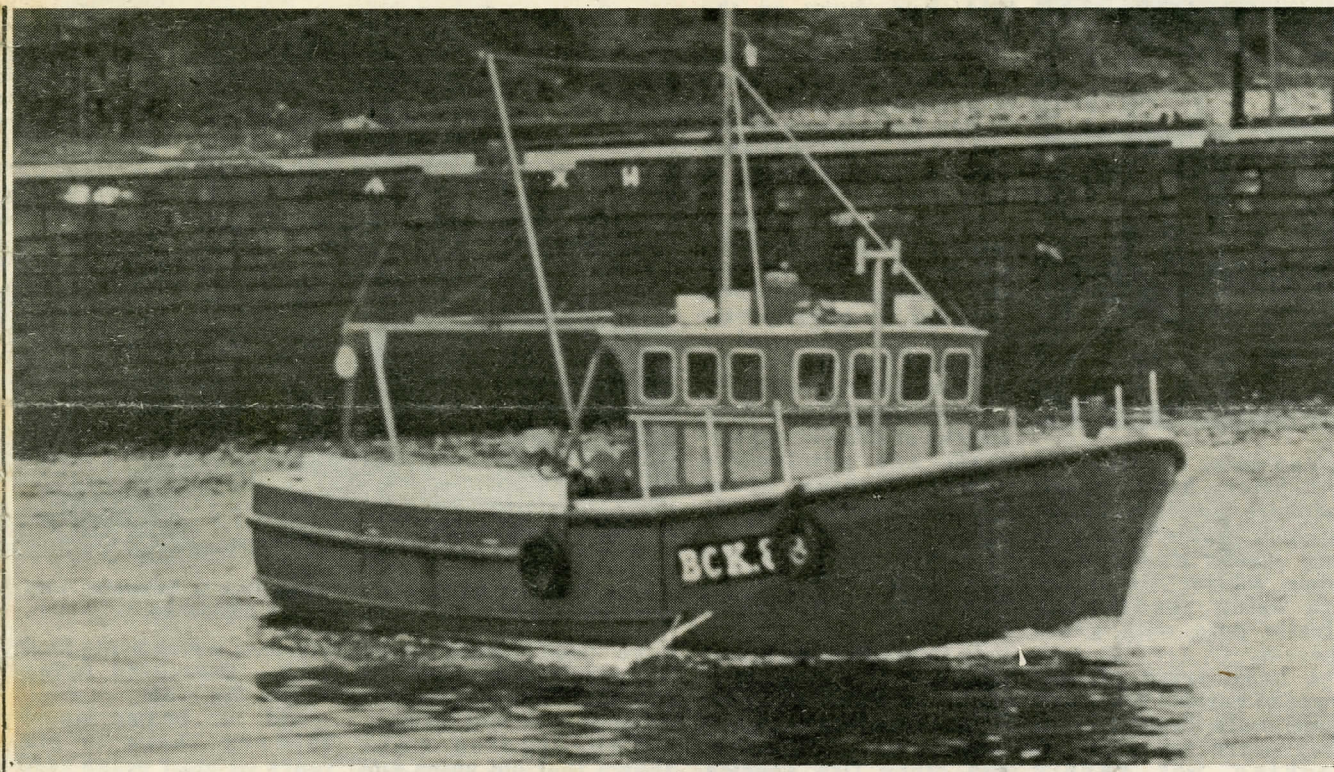


Prawn trawler for west coast

PRAWN trawling off the Scottish west coast is this Halmatic-based 36 footer named *Glen Rinnes* which was fitted out at Wick, Caithness, by the James McCaughey boatyard. Built for Skipper John Sutherland of Buckie, she is fishing from Kylesku, north of Lochinver, and she is rigged for both white fish and prawn stern trawling. She can also go potting using her MacKay and MacLeod pot hauler. The first deeper Halmatic Mk. II hull out of the mould, *Glen Rinnes* was not, however, the first into service due to a long wait for the Gardner 8LW 82 hp diesel engine to be delivered. Other equipment on the boat includes Dauntless Engineering two-ton hydraulic winch, 'Sailor' radio, Koden echo sounder and Decca Mk. 21 Navigator. She was delivered late last year. The yard is now just weeks away from completing the first Halmatic 28ft. GRP hull. Halmatic used one of James McCaughey's clinker boat hull designs, with slight modifications, to produce the hull which is again highly traditional in shape. Delivery of final parts is awaited before trials can start.

