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15 Annual Homecoming Regatta

Friendship, Maine, July 24-25-26, 1975

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Arthur K. Watson

Born, Summit, New Jersey, April 23, 1919
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When "Dick" Watson's lovely yacht *Anjaca* failed to appear for the 1974 homecoming to Friendship, her absence from the harbor was noticed by all. The explanation that he was in the hospital was followed by the news that he died on the Friday of 1974 Sloop Days.

His faithful assistance in the affairs of the Friendship Sloop Society led to his becoming the first honorary member, November 28, 1964.

The 1975 homecoming races and this souvenir program are dedicated to Dick's memory.



Friendship Sloop Society

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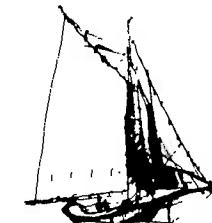
Al Roberts

We Say It In Friendship

Welcome to the fifteenth annual homecoming of the Friendship Sloop Society!

The fifteenth is traditionally the crystal anniversary, and in recognition of this the Maine Legislature spent a good part of the spring debating about returnable beer bottles. Our members are deeply moved.

This program booklet gives you information about the sloops, the races, and related events. You will also find in it the names and purposes of the good folks who support our society with their paid announcements. Tell them you met them here. Be ye kind one to another!



Commercialized? A gentleman who is perhaps correct expresses regret that sloop days have become "commercialized." Be informed, please, that the Friendship Sloop Society is a non-profit corporation, and its only interest in accumulating money is to swell the principal of the Beatrice Pendleton Memorial Scholarship Fund — to aid Friendship seniors in their educations. The Society transfers money from its working account to this fund each year. Otherwise, the only commercial projects of the Society are the gift shop which is clearly labeled as a scholarship benefit, and the sale of hot peanuts. Peanut proceeds also go to the scholarship fund. Otherwise, the "commercial" aspects of Sloop Days are unofficial. This is neither to praise nor to blame, but simply to state the fact.

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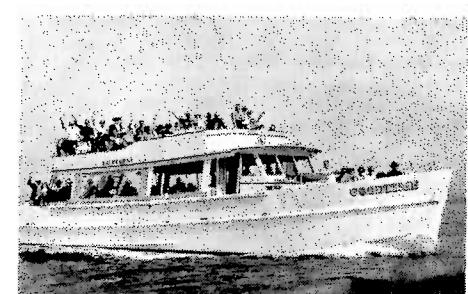
GOOD TIME

CAPT. BOB FISH

Iv. 11:30 a. m. and

Iv. 1:45 p. m.

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Past Regatta Winners

1961 Governor's Trophy — VOYAGER (one race)
1962

Governor's Trophy — EASTWARD
Eda Lawry Trophy — AMITY
Lash Bros. Trophy — EASTWARD
1963

Governor's Trophy — DOWNEASTER
Eda Lawry Trophy —
JOLLY BUCCANEER
Lash Bros. Trophy — EASTWARD
1964

Governor's Trophy — EASTWARD
Eda Lawry Trophy — CRISSY
Lash Bros. Trophy — EASTWARD
Palawan Trophy — MARGIN
1965

Governor's Trophy — DIRIGO
Eda Lawry Trophy — CRISSY
Lash Bros. Trophy — DIRIGO
Palawan Trophy — HERITAGE
Wonalancet Trophy — HERITAGE
1966

Governor's Trophy — EASTWARD
Eda Lawry Trophy — CRISSY
Lash Bros. Trophy — EASTWARD
Palawan Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
George Morrill Trophy —
CHANNEL FEVER
Jonah D. Morse Trophy — CRISSY
1967

Governor's Trophy — DIRIGO
Eda Lawry Trophy —
not awarded, race called for fog
Lash Bros. Trophy —
not awarded, race called for fog
Palawan Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Morrill Trophy — EASTWARD
(presented for finishing in fog)
Jonah D. Morse Trophy — BLACKJACK
1968

Governor's Trophy — RIGHTS OF MAN
Eda Lawry Trophy — CRISSY
Lash Bros. Trophy — RIGHTS OF MAN
Palawan Trophy — HERITAGE
Morrill Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Jonah D. Morse Trophy — CRISSY
1969

Governor's Trophy — EAGLE
Eda Lawry Trophy — EAGLE
Lash Bros. Trophy — ECHO
Palawan Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Morrill Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Jonah Morse Trophy — EAGLE
Anjaca Trophy — FRIENDSHIP
Seiler Trophy — CHANCE

1970 Governor's Trophy — EASTWARD
Eda Lawry Trophy — GLADIATOR
Lash Bros. Trophy — RIGHTS OF MAN
Morrill Trophy — COCKLE
Bruno & Stillman — PHOENIX
Jonah Morse Trophy — BLACKJACK
Anjaca Trophy — EASTWARD
Palawan Trophy — COCKLE
Jarvis Newman Trophy — PHOENIX
Seiler Trophy — TANNIS
Gould Grandfather Trophy —
GLADIATOR

1971 All three races cancelled because of fog and lack of wind.

Gladiator Trophy — SEPOY
Seiler Trophy — VIDA MIA
Nickerson Trophy — SARAH MEAD

1972 Governor's Trophy — ELLIE T
Eda Lawry Trophy — CRISSY
Lash Bros. Trophy — TANNIS
Morrill Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Bruno & Stillman — SALATIA
Jonah Morse Trophy — CRISSY
Anjaca Trophy — ELLIE T
Palawan Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Class D Overall — PHOENIX
Jarvis Newman Trophy — ELLIE T
Seiler Trophy — SARAH MEAD
Gould Grandfather Trophy — TANNIS
Gladiator Trophy — VOGEL FREI
Nickerson Trophy — VOYAGER

1973 Governor's Trophy — SARAH MEAD
Eda Lawry Trophy — DICTATOR
Lash Bros. Trophy — PATIENCE
Morrill Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Bruno & Stillman Trophy — MAGI
Jonah Morse Trophy — CHANCE
Anjaca Trophy — SARAH MEAD
Palawan Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Class D Overall — CALLIPYGOUS
Jarvis Newman Trophy — SALATIA
Seiler Trophy — GYPSY
Gould Grandfather Trophy —
Kim Newman (DICTATOR)
Gladiator Trophy — SEPOY
Nickerson Trophy — Kip Files
(CHANCE)

1974 Governor's Trophy — DICTATOR
Eda Lawry Trophy — DICTATOR
Lash Brothers Trophy — TANNIS
Morrill Trophy — CHANNEL FEVER
Bruno & Stillman — HOLD TIGHT
Jonah Morse Trophy — DICTATOR
Anjaca Trophy — RIGHTS OF MAN
Palawan Trophy — GYPSY
Class D Overall — HOLD TIGHT
Jarvis Newman Trophy — HOLD TIGHT
Seiler Trophy — MAGI
Gould Grandfather —
SCHOODIC (Joshua Whitehouse)
Gladiator Trophy — TANNIS
Nickerson Trophy — Ebenezer Gay, Jr. (DIANA)
Dr. Hahn Trophy — Anna R

Trophies

Following is a list of the trophies presented each year and what they are presented for:

Governor's Trophy — to overall winner in Classes A & B
Eda Lawry Trophy — to Class A winner of Saturday race
Lash Bros. Trophy — to Class B winner of Saturday race
Morrill Trophy — to Class C winner of Saturday race
Bruno & Stillman Trophy — to Class D winner of Saturday race
Jonah Morse Trophy — to Class A overall winner
Anjaca Trophy — to Class B overall winner
Palawan Trophy — to Class C overall winner
Jarvis Newman — to winning 25' Pemaquid design Friendship
Seiler Trophy — to the friendliest Friendship
Gould Grandfather Trophy — to the winning sloop with the youngest crew member.
Gladiator Trophy — to the sloop coming the greatest distance
Nickerson Trophy — to the sloop with the youngest skipper that actually was in command during the races

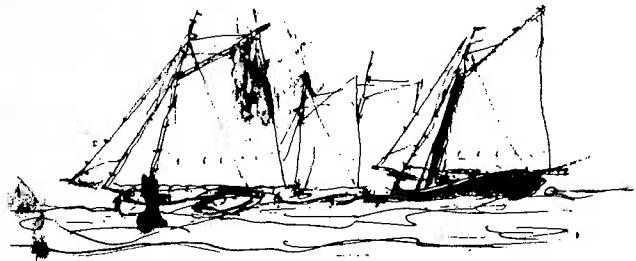
President's Message

The most appropriate message this year has got to be self-congratulatory on the Society's reaching a fifteenth annual homecoming. Not all of us were around that first year when a handful of sloops appeared, and at that time nobody was at all sure that the idea would lead to repeats, let alone a firm society of Friendshippers whose numbers grow each year. In the beginning, those who came back to Friendship with their sloops had certain notions of comradeship and friendliness which have kept our society unique in the sailing fraternity. We are not just another yacht club. Those original notions were good, and for fifteen years we have done well by them. To be president of the Friendship Sloop Society is a privilege, and my thanks go to the Friendship sloopers for indulging me as they have.

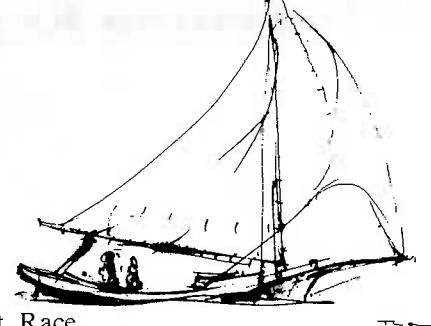
Welcome home again!

— Hank White





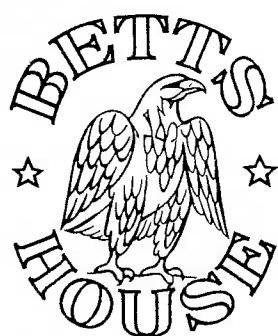
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FIRST RACE

THURSDAY, JULY 24

- 9:30 A. M. Skippers' Meeting
- 12:00 Noon Starting Time of First Race
- "Gam Night" for Skippers & Sloops

SECOND RACE

FRIDAY, JULY 25

- 9:30 A. M. Skippers' Meeting
- 12:00 Noon Starting Time of Second Race
- 6:00 P. M. Chicken Barbecue
- 6:30 P. M. Water Events for Youngsters
Harbor Lights - at dusk

THIRD RACE

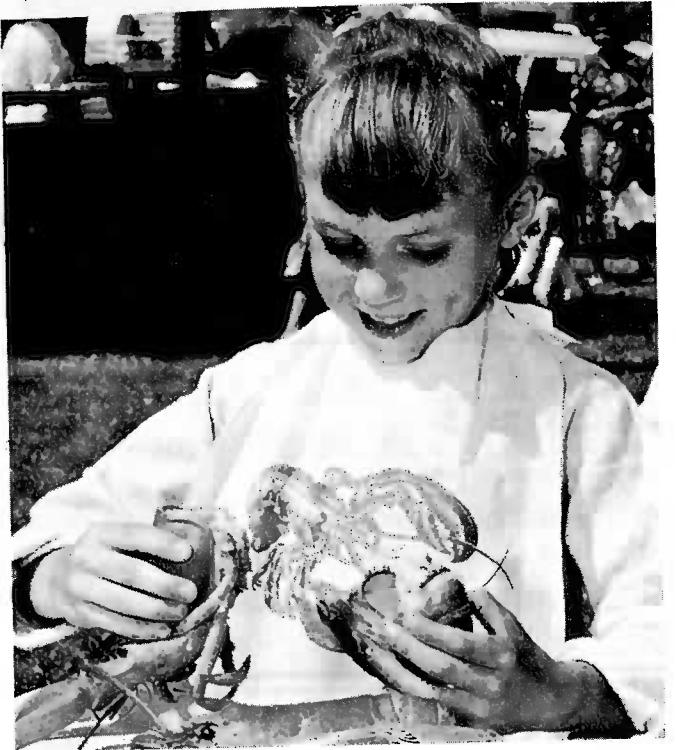
SATURDAY, JULY 26

- 9:00 A. M. Skippers' Meeting
- 10:30 A. M. Parade of Sloops
- 12:00 Noon Start of Third Race
- 12:00 Noon Lobster meal served continuously until 6:00 P. M. on hillside facing the Harbor.
- Snacks and lobster meals served in several places.
Information Booth will give full particulars.
- Open House at Boat Shops and Museum.
- Please make use of the free "Village Shuttle" to see these points of interest.
- 1:30 - 2:30 Field Events for Children at Harborside.
- 7:30 P. M. Awards Banquet served in the Town Hall by reservation only.

MASSACHUSETTS BAY RACES — Aug. 23 & 24
Corinthian Yacht Club — Marblehead, Mass.

CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE PROGRAM WILL BE NOTED
AT THE INFORMATION BOOTH AND ON THE WHARVES.

Learning Expensive Habits



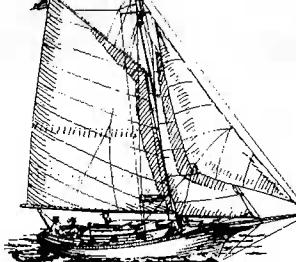
If the town of Friendship gives pleasure to returning sloop crews each July, that is nothing to the great gustatory pleasure the community has brought over the years to lobster-loving mankind. The sea is traditionally the town's support. And each July as the land-roving visitors come to see the sails of the Friendship Sloops, they give equal time to watching and photographing the working lobstermen who come and go about their business, many of them paying little attention to the pleasure craft. And eating a Friendship lobster is a must — although the young lady here seen in the throes of great good happiness may well be thankful for wealthy parents!

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List of Friendship Sloops

No. & Name	Class	Built By	Length	Present Owner
1. Voyager	A	Charles Morse	30'	John Kippin Ipswich, Mass.
2. Dictator	A	Robert McLain 1904	31'	Jarvis Newman Southwest Harbor, Me.
4. Golden Eagle	A	A. F. Morse 1910	26'	William Haskell Marblehead, Mass.
5. Content	B	S. M. Ford 1961	25'	Robert Edwards Montclair, N. J.
6. Eastward	B	James Chadwick 1956	32'	Roger Duncan West Concord, Mass. & East Boothbay, Me.
7. Tannis	B	W. S. Carter 1937	38'	John D. Cronin Sturbridge, Mass.
9. Amity	A	Wilbur Morse 1900	30'	James R. Wiggins Brooklin, Me.
10. Mary Ann	B	Lash Bros. 1958	31'	Dr. Joe Griffin Damariscotta, Me.
11. Shulamite	B	S. Gannett 1938	24'	James & Pauline Doolittle Five Islands, Me.
13. Easting	B	C. A. Morse 1920	29'	James R. Pierpont Milford, Conn.
14. Vigor	B	Morse (Thomaston) 1946	30'	Robert K. Emerson Hancock Point, Me.
15. Vida Mia	C	E. L. Stevens 1942 1942	30'	Frederick S. Brown Kittery, Me.
16. Retriever	B	Gannet 1942	22'	John W. Rice Scituate, Mass.
17. Jolly Buccaneer	A	McLain 1909		
18. Chrissy	A	Charles Morse 1912	30'	Ernst Wiegleb Pleasant Point, Me.
19. BlackJack	A	Wilbur Morse 1900	33'	William Pendleton Searsport, Me.
21. Wilbur Morse	B	Carlton Simmons 1947	30'	Karl Heiser Cundy Harbor, Me.
22. Ellie T	B	John Thorpe 1961	26'	Dwight Foster Newport News, Va.
24. Ancient Mariner	A	Wilbur Morse	25'	H. C. Vibber Waterford, Conn.
26. Virginia M	A	Wilbur Morse 1910	28'	Jaxon Vibber Waterford, Conn.
27. Red Coat	B	Bob McKean Sid Carter	28'	Eric W. Osborn Bristol, R. I.

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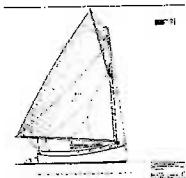
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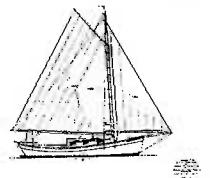
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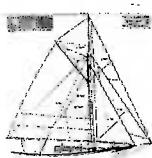
34' Eastport Pinky

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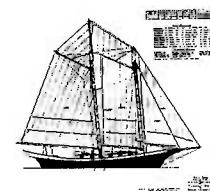
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28.	Bounty	B	Gannett 1932	22'	Richard Bailey Peekskill, N. Y.
32.	Nomad	A	Wilbur Morse 1906	33'	Montague Miller Noank, Conn.
36.	Mar Gin	C		25'	Wm. Blodgett Waldoboro, Me.
37.	Chance	A	Wilbur Morse 1916	32'	Dr. Thomas Files Ellsworth, Me.
39.	Downeaster	B	Lash Bros. 1963	30'	Virginia Grew Dover, Mass.
42.	Pam	C	Carlton Simmons J. P. Hennings 1963	26'	Kenneth Billings Manchester, Mass.
43.	Gypsy	C	Judson Crouse 1939	23'	Robert Lash Orland, Me.
44.	Sazerac	A	Wilbur Morse 1913	35'	Donald Aiken, Woodside, Calif. Joseph Barth, Alna, Me. Roland Barth, Alna, Me. Robert Snyder, Whitefield, Me. Newton Hinckley Friendship, Me.
45.	Flying Jib	B	W. S. Carter 1936	30'	Ernest Sprowl Searsmont, Me.
46.	Dirigo	B	Lash Bros. 1964	30'	Gordon Winslow Southport, Me.
48.	Channel Fever	C	F. A. Provener 1939	33'	Bill Payne Monhegan, Me.
49.	Surprise	B	Philip Nichols 1964	29'	W. K. Hadlock South Freeport, Me.
50.	Heritage	C	Elmer Collemer Murray Peterson 1962	30'	Philip Cronin Cambridge, Mass.
52.	Rights of Man	B	Lash Bros. 1965	31'	Donald Huston Nahant, Mass.
53.	Eagle	A	Wilbur Morse 1915	22'	William Thon Port Clyde, Me.
54.	Echo	B	Lee Boat Shop Rockland 1965	55.	Right Bower
56.	Iocaste	A		33'	Charles B. Currier, Jr. Silver Spring, Md.
57.	Old Baldy	B	J. S. Rockefeller 1965	25'	Richard Salter Manchester, Mass.
58.	Tern	B	Jerry Maxwell 1969	21'	Franklin Perkins Lancaster, Mass.
59.	Sarah Mead	B	Newbert & Wallace 1965	30'	Dr. Henry O. White Camden, Me.
60.	Old Salt	A	Rob McLain & Son 1902	32'	Leon Knorr Rowayton, Conn.
62.	Columbia	C	Lester Chadbourne	23'	Fran & Lee Green Tonawanda, N. Y.
63.	Kochab	B	Speers 1953	28'	Robert C. Morse Southboro, Mass.
64.	Amicitia	B	Lash Bros. 1965	33'	Emerson Stone Greenwich, Conn.
65.	Gallant Lady	A	Morse 1907	33'	Anthony Menkel, Jr. Birmingham, Mich.



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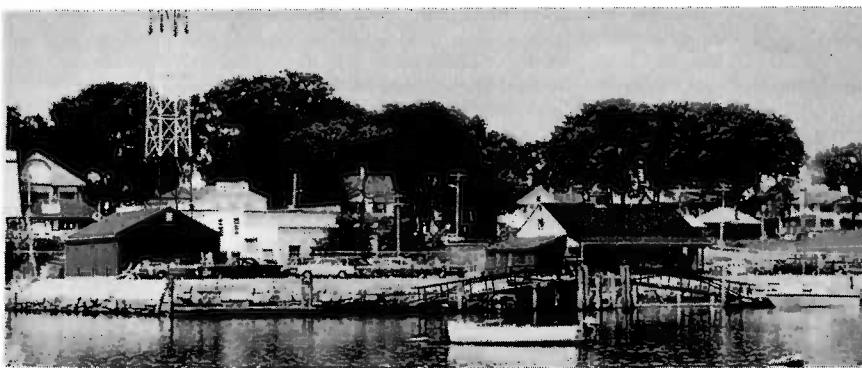
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List of Sloops -

92.	Puffin		James S. Rockefeller 1970	25'	K. S. Axelson Waldoboro, Me.
93.	Anna R.	B	Kenneth Rich 1970	25'	Kenneth Rich New London, N. H.
94.	Diana	D	Jarvis Newman & James Rockefeller 1970	25'	Ebenezar Gay Hingham, Mass.
96.	Voyager	B	Lash Bros. 1965	32'	Bernard MacKenzie Scituate, Mass.
97.	Gay Gamble				Francis P. Hardy Nashua, N. H.
98.	Down East	D	Bruno & Stillman 1970	30'	Edward Dodd St. Clair, Mich.
99.	Buccaneer	A	Wilbur Morse 1890	27'	Eugene Tirocchi Johnston, R. I.
100.	Morning Watch		Backman's Boatyard 1970	26'	Donald Starr Boston, Mass.
101.	Inverary	D	Bruno & Stillman 1970	30'	Norman MacNeil W. Newton, Mass.
102.	Agustus		Tim Bliss	37'	Tim Bliss Coconut Grove, Fla.
103.	Solaster	D	Jarvis Newman 1970	25'	Dr. Curtis Ruff Butler, Pa.
104.	Cockle	C	Elmer Collemer 1950	28'	Widgery Thomas, Jr. Portland, Me.
105.	At Last	D	Bruno & Stillman 1970	30'	Dr. Thomas Risley Beverly, Mass.
106.	Hold Tight	D	Jarvis Newman 1970	25'	John Cassidy Bangor, Me.
107.	Magi	D	Passamaquoddy & Bill Johnston 1970	22'	Bill Johnston Northeast Harbor, Me.
108.	Loon		Newbert & Wallace	37'	Hugh & Ruth Jacobs Darien, Conn.
109.	Petrel		G. Cooper 1933	31'	Earl White Spencerport, N. Y.
110.	Amistad		Robert White 1971	23'	Robert White League City, Texas
111.	Amos Swann	A	W. A. Morse	26'	Edward Kaelber Northeast Harbor, Me.
112.	Secret	B	Philip Nichols 1971	27'	Melvin Cohen Port Clyde, Me.
113.	Yankee Pride	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	James Craig Sea Bright, N. J.
114.	Pearle	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	Morris Goldsmith Huntington, N. Y.
115.	Kittiwake	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	
116.	Tinqua	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	Warren A. Locke Milton, Mass.
117.	Leading Light	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	George Shaw Durham, N. H.



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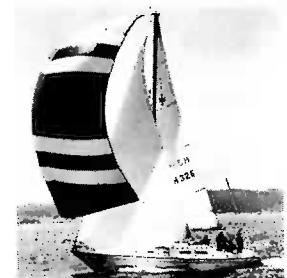
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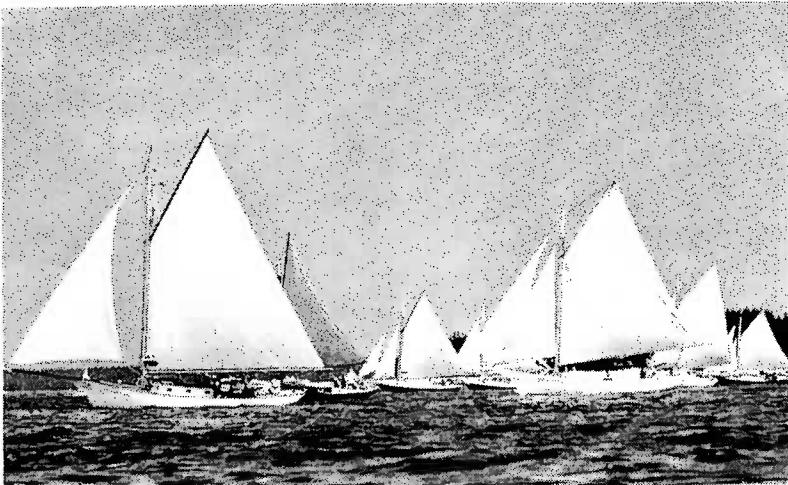
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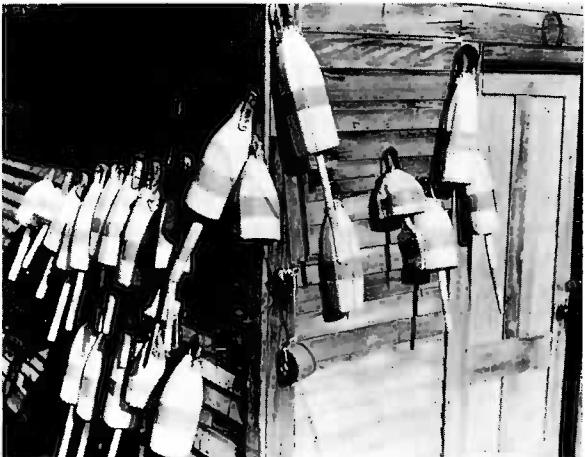
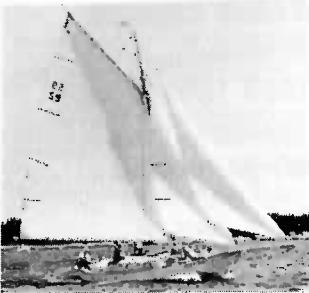
118.	Wenonah	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	Richard Sonderegger Marquette, Mich.
119.	Valhalla	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30'	Paul D. Wolfe Pittsburgh, Pa.
120.	Reserved		- - -	- - -	- - -
121.	Island Trader		Elmer Collemer 1960	27'	Robert Mosher San Diego, Calif.
122.	Ray of Hope	B	Francis Nash & Ed Coffin, 1971	25'	Ed Coffin Owls Head, Me.
123.	Resolute		Charles Burnham	28'	Charles Burnham South Essex, Mass.
125.	Jacataqua		Al Paquette 1969	25'	Edward Lewis Falmouth, Mass.
126.	Whim		Chester Spear 1939	20'	Wm. A. Flanders Abington, Mass.
127.	Lucy S		1890s	28'	Jonathan Smith Concord, Mass.
128.	Schoodic	C	Collemer & Lanning 1972	31'	Bruce Lanning Winter Harbor, Me.
129.	Gisela R		A. P. Schafer 1969	25'	Andrew P. Schafer Rosedale, L. I., N. Y.
130.	Narwhal		Jarvis Newman 1972	25'	Jim Rosenbaum Milwaukee, Wis.
131.	Noahsark	B	John Chase 1972	30'	John Chase Lynnfield, Mass.
132.	Vogel Frei	B	Wilbur Morse	30'	Herman Samitsch Miami, Fla.
133.	Independence	D	Bruno & Stillman 1973	30'	Frederick Schwarzman Far Hills, N. J.
134.	Four Sons		Charles Collins 1973	22'	David Hussey Marblehead, Mass.
135.	Green Pepper	D	Jarvis Newman Tom Morris 1973	25'	James Wilmerding Huntington, N. Y.
136.	Squirrel	A	Charles Morse 1920		Dick & Theresa Dixon Stonington, Conn.
137.	Friendship	A	Wilbur Morse 1900	46'	William Van Zee Miami, Fla.
138.	Red Jacket	B	R. P. Gardner 1973		R. P. Gardner Rowley, Mass.
139.	Tremolino		Jarvis Newman Tom Morris 1973	25'	Helen & John Jurkowski Kingston, N. Y.
140.	Brandywine		McKie Roth 1968		Paul & Fraley Johnson Mark, Dave, Chris Campbell, Calif.
141.	Renascence		Jim Hall 1974		Anna Hall Rowley, Mass.
142.	Psyche	D		21'	Peter Archbold Pittsford, N. Y.
143.	Matelot	D	Tom Morris 1974	25'	Gerard Miller Perrysburg, Ohio
144.	Ribbit	D	Tom Morris 1974	25'	W. Mark Murphy Buffalo, N. Y.



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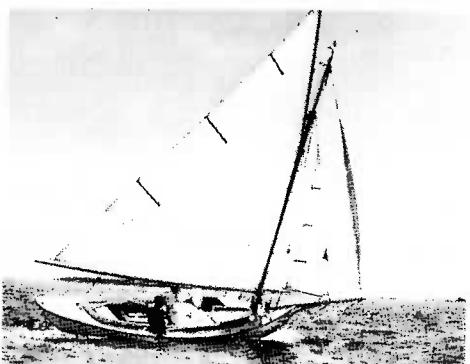
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145.	Deliverance	D	Jarvis Newman 1974	Capt. Gerald Purslow Hancock, Me.
146.	Fiddlehead		Carl Chase	25' Dr. Eugene Myer Baltimore, Md.
147.	Anna B		Irving Jones	31' Winthrop Bancroft Ponte Verda, Beach
148.				42' Joseph Vinciguerra Andover, Mass.
149.			R. Jenkins	25' Roy O. Jenkins Waterville, Me.
150.	Woodchips		Deschenes & Willett	25' E. Thomas Willett Holden, Mass. Jean Deschenes N. Grafton, Mass.
151.	Departure	C		15' W. G. Heath Hammondsport, N. Y.
152.	Ollie M.		Kent Murphy	Kent Murphy Swampscot, Mass.
153.	Angelus		Charles Collins	22' Charles Collins Bass River, Mass.
154.	Muscongus	A	Albion Morse 1909	Albert Lindquist Wilton, Conn.
155.	The Wisdom of Solomon	D	Newman & Morris 1975	25' Dr. Frank Shaw Youngstown, Ohio
156.	Laperouse	D	Newman & Morris 1975	31' Paul Lacouture Dayton, Ohio
157.	Finestkind	D	<i>N</i> Newman	31' Dick Salter Manchester, Mass.
158.	Eva R	A	E. Robinson (Marconi Rig) 1906	33' Robert Bruneau Stamford, Conn.
159.	Pacific Child	D	Bruno & Stillman 1969	30' John Nosworthy San Diego, Calif.
160.	Springa Leak		McKie Roth 1973	25' Morgan Hendry Wilmington, Del.
161.			Sam Guild	22' Didier Dorot Mamaroneck, N. Y.
162.	Irene	A	C. Morse	38' Warren Huguley Fair Haven, N. J.
163.	Reward		Wm. Greene	Wm. & Jean Greene Rocklin, Calif.
164.	Jesse May	A	C. Morse	Stanley Gatt Oak Lawn, Ill.
165.	Skimmer		Cliff Niederer Inverness, Calif.	25' Walter G. Andrews Belvedere, Calif.

Listings in Italics are member boats that do not exist any more.
Gone but not forgotten.

Non-Members

3.	Finette	A	Wilbut Morse 1915	47' Frank Smith Westfield, Conn.
8.	Banshee	A	Morse	30' Benjamin Waterworth New Bedford, Mass.
12.	Friendship	A	Wilbur Morse 1902	29' Robert Cavanaugh Compton, R. I.





20.	Moses Swann	A	Morse 1910	30'
23.	Depression	A	1899	32' Larry Harris New Orleans, La.
25.	Sea Duck		Morse Boatyard (Ketch Rig)	25' Laurence Bershad Marblehead, Mass.
29.	Susan	A	Wilbur Morse 1902	41'
30.	Kidnapped			Restored
31.	White Eagle	A	Wilbur Morse	28'
33.	Smuggler	B	Philip Nichols 1942	28' Sinclair Kenney Edgewood, R. I.
34.	Pal-o-Mine	B	Gannet 1947	27' James B. L. Lane Winchester, Mass.
35.	Mary C		N. D. Clapp (Marconi Rig)	20' Nathaniel Clapp Prides Crossing, Mass.
38.	Eleazar	B	W. S. Carter 1938	38' Capt. David Smith Marshfield, Mass.
40.	Comesin		Erwin Jones 1962	32' Carlton Wilder Jacksonville, Fla.
41.	Snafu			35' Alfred Gastonguay Beverly, Mass.
47.	Galatea		McKie Ruth 1964	30' John Kapelowitz Mt. View, Calif.
51.			W. A. Morse	32' Robert Morrison Metuchin, N. J.
61.	Windward	B	J. S. Rockefeller 1966	25' George Dowling Syracuse, N. Y.
79.	Nimbus			32' Fred Swigart New Orleans, La.
95.	Savoy	A	Morse	40' Frank & Marcelle Savoy Beverly, Mass.
102.	Agustus		Tim Bliss	37' Tim Bliss Coconut Grove, Fla.
124.	Callipygous	D	Bruno & Stillman 1971	30' Henk Vanderkolk Ontario, Canada

Name	Built by	Present Owner
Amity		Banjamin Plotkin, Norwalk, Conn.
Amity Poole		Burlington, Vt.
Angus		Elio P. Oliva, Centerville, Mass.
Aurara		Richard Steele, Rockport, Me.
Carolyn		A. J. Rousseau, Warwick, R. I.
Dottie G	Simms, Scituate	H. Reese Mitchell, Houghton, Mich.
Duchess	Simms, Scituate	Gene Peltier, Wilmington, Calif.
El Yanqui	Wilbur Morse	Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Conn.
Estelle A.		
Maria	Charles Burnham	Robert Synnestvedt, Jenkintown, Pa.
Nor Easter	Wilbur Morse	George McKinnon, Sillery, Que., Canada
Pemaquid III		Joe Richards, Key Biscayne, Fla.
Princess		Marjorie Debold, Middletown, Conn.
Red Wing	Wilbur Morse	Mike Dolan, Hollywood, Fla.
Sea Gull	W. S. Carter	James Tazelaar, McLean, Va.
Spirit of Joshua		Harold Tweedy, New Rochelle, N. Y.
Spoondrift		Peter Boback, Fairfield, Conn.
Surprise		David Carr, Palm Beach, Fla.
Tecumseh		Brian Neri, Buffalo, N. Y.
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This is the Channel Six station-break slide, used at Christmastime, accompanied by the station's holiday greetings to viewers. This, and the 5c stamp of 1965, drew inspiration from the same church spire in Newburyport, Massachusetts.



How Sits The Wind?

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Why the Archangel Gabriel did NOT Fly over the Town of Friendship on Christmas — or, "I don't want that thing on my roof!"

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This comedy of errors began right after Sloop Days of 1974, when the Rockland *Courier-Gazette* published a big front-page picture of the finish of the Saturday race. It was one of those goofs nobody can explain afterwards, but no doubt a negative got mistaken in the dark room. The picture showed some two-masted Friendship sloops! Editor Raymond E. Gross, who has been a perennial good friend of the Friendship Sloop Society, immediately received the customary two barrels of mail that follow such things, and he admitted his face was red.

But along in November, Friendship got a new post office building. This is one of those lease-back arrangements, and the builder and owner was the M. H. Parsons & Sons Lumber Company of York. By one of those coincidences for which allowance must always be made, the land that the Parsons folks bought for the post office site was owned by one Cyrus Hamlin — the same who is a marine architect and our esteemed honorary member who handicaps our fleet and knows as much about Friendship sloops as anybody. In the process of transferring the lot of land, Cy also got the job of designing the new post office building, and shortly passed the blueprints to the Parsons people.

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Here is the 1965 Christmas stamp, proving that the Angel Gabriel is not altogether inappropriate for a post office weathervane.



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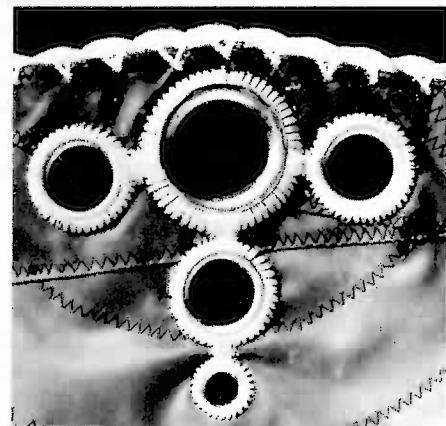
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This is the photograph Ray Gross made of the Marconi-rigged windvane on the new Friendship post office, just after it was put up, and which he used in his "Black Cat" column. This vane was happily removed a day or so later.

They, in turn, erected the building, and when it was finished the cupola was adorned with a windvane in the form of a sloop.

It was a Marconi-rigged sloop.

Editor Gross saw the humor in this, and his next issue had a picture of the vane with appropriate comments, somewhat pleased with himself to discover that others, too, goofed with the true design of the Friendship.

Then it was suggested to the Parsons people that they take down the un-Friendship, and that the Sloop Society be privileged to replace it with a vane that was gaff rigged and correct — more appropriate to the post office in the home-town of the originals.

Curiosity then asked Cy Hamlin for a comment, and Cy forwarded copies of his architect's plans for the building, and loud and clear the plans call for a true Friendship sloop. Nobody can blame Cy for the boo-boo.

Meantime, the Parsons people agreed, and took down that part of the vane with the atrocity on it, and Ralph T. Gould of Cape Elizabeth agreed to re-fit it with a scale model of the *Amanda Morse*. Ralph is kin to John, and that explains that. But Ralph is also a maker and fixer of windvanes, and does it as a hobby. The windvane on the Popham museum, depicting the pinnace *Virginia*, first vessel built in America, is one of his, and others may be seen here and there. One of Ralph's favorite patterns is the Angel Gabriel, traditionally a popular pattern with religious significance. The cock has always been the most popular, symbolizing the crowing of the cock in the Bible after Peter had thrice denied Jesus Christ. Books have been published to show the variations of the cock windvane

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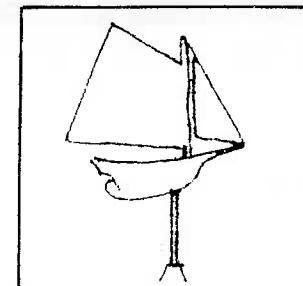
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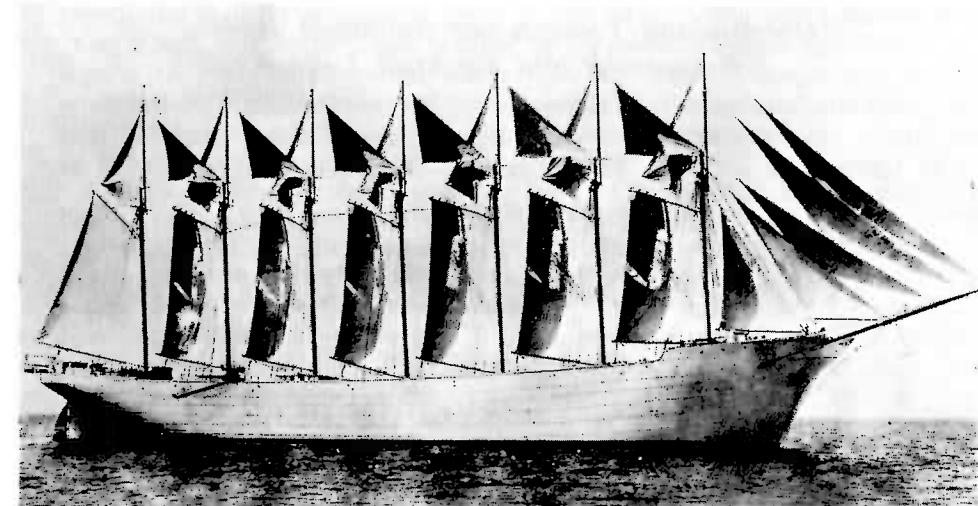
On all his elevations for the new Friendship post office, Architect Cyrus Hamlin clearly specified a windvane in the pattern of a Friendship Sloop. This is a reproduction of part of one of his elevations.



throughout Christendom. Next to the cock, the Angel Gabriel is a favorite. Gabriel was one of the seven archangels, messenger of the Almighty. Best known as the ultimate trumpeter of doom, he was also the one who informed Mary that she would give birth to the Christ child, and accordingly Gabriel has special symbolism in relation to Christmas.

In 1965 the United States Postal Service used Gabriel on the 5c Christmas stamp, the design taken from the Gabriel windvane on the People's Methodist Church of Newburyport, Massachusetts. At Christmas time, each year, television channel six at Portland, WCSH-TV, uses the Angel Gabriel on its station-break slides, and is very proud of the design. It, too, is patterned on the Newburyport vane.

Accordingly, as Christmas approached and the cupola of the Friendship post office had no vane, Ralph Gould suggested one of his beautiful Angel Gabriel vanes be put up temporarily, until he could get a Friendship sloop made. Probably the Parsons folks suspected this, somehow, might have undertones or overtones, but whatever the reason was, they declined to have the Angel Gabriel on their cupola, and the Angel Gabriel did not fly over Friendship on Christmas. There was no vane on the post office at that time.



This handsome Friendship sloop, newest member of the homecoming fleet, will be raced in the 1975 regatta by her proud owner, Mr. Raymond Gross of Rockland. Entered in Class Q (for Curious) she is handicapped at three weeks and a half, and will pick up her handicap buoy in Henniker, New Hampshire.

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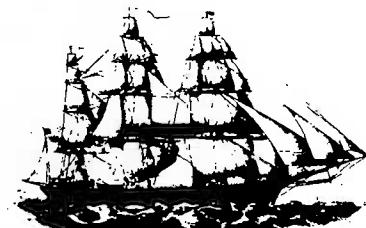
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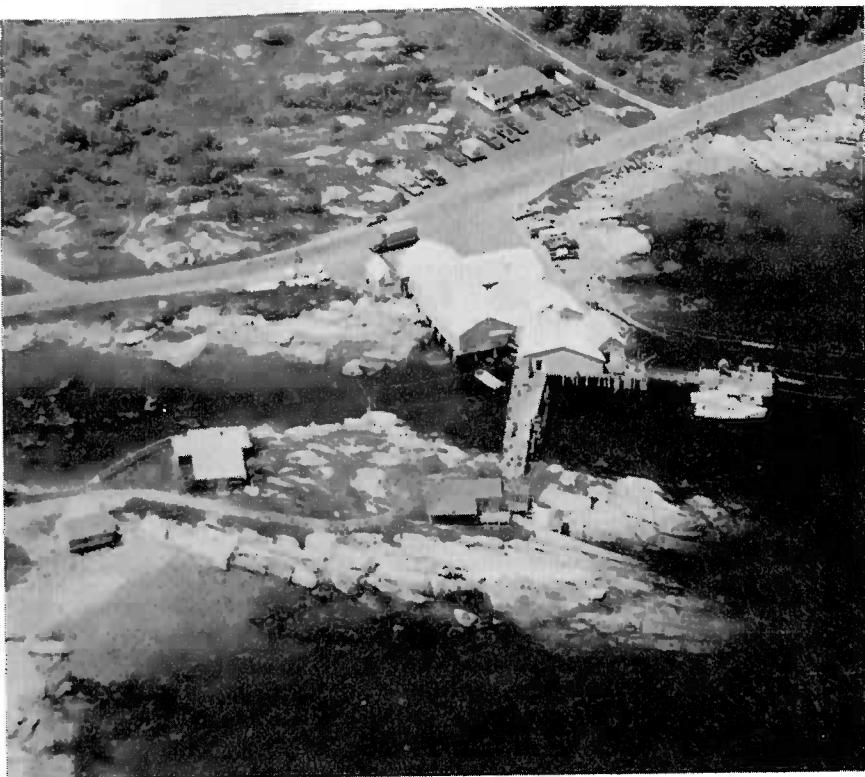
Incidentally, when they heard that the Angel Gabriel had been turned down for Friendship purposes, the members of St. John's Episcopal Church in Thomaston said they would like to have it on their church. They had plans for an addition in the rear, housing a new kitchen and Sunday School rooms, and they were delighted to have Gabriel to adorn this new part. St. John's is just our side of the Knox Hotel, on the main street.

It wasn't until March that the windvane of the *Amanda Morse* was ready, and Ray Gross came to get a picture of her. She was a beauty. "Cap'n Nice," as Ralph Gould is called by his nautical friends, had "done a good job." The teakwood hull was true to the Friendship design, and the white sails of fiberglass could not be mistaken for anything except the gaff-rigging required. Ray wrote, ". . . the unique windvane should be a part of Friendship for many, many years to come."

Not so. About Easter time a howling gale struck, such as our coast hasn't experienced in a long time, and gusts up to 100 miles an hour lashed in fury throughout a tempestuous night. They stripped lovely *Amanda* to a frazzle, and tipped over the windvane fitting on the cupola. Those who say a Friendship sloop likes a stiff breeze may wish to revise their opinions. Somebody found the windvane sails off in the puckerbrush and brought them to Postmaster Robert Lash, and shortly thereafter the hull and arrow were taken down from the cupola so Cap'n Nice could try again.

Which he did.

As this program booklet goes to press (late April), *Amanda Morse* is being restored, and there is every intention of having her back on the cupola long before Sloop Days, 1975. The new building is not in the village, but sits toward the harbor, next to the home of our historian, Carleton Simmons. Apart from the business on the cupola, Postmaster Lash does have a lovely watercolor print of a Friendship sloop framed on the wall of the lobby. You'll see it when you step in to mail home your, "having a fine time, wish you were here."



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Synonyms

Occasion called for some trifling research, and it became interesting to see how many boats we have. Dr. Roget, in his excellent *Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases*, lumps everything that floats under "ships," but this is not the Maine usage.

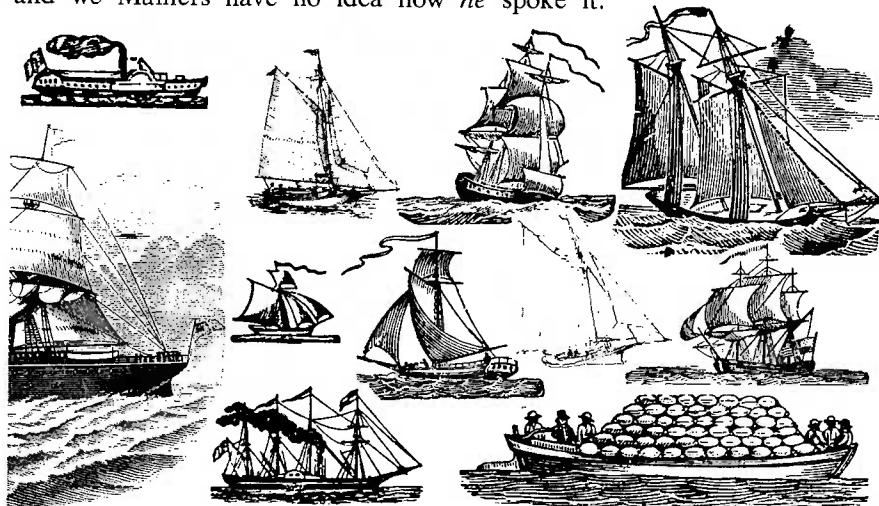
Historian William Hutchinson Rowe (*Maritime History of Maine*) writes, for instance, that from 1800 to 1880 the six shipyards on the Kennebunk River produced, "638 craft comprising 176 ships, 172 brigs, 204 schooners, 50 barks, and 36 miscellaneous craft." Mr. Rowe was a meticulous historian. He did not call a craft a ship unless she was a ship. To him, a ship had three masts with "ship's" rigging. Yet Dr. Roget gives "canoe" as a synonym of "ship."

Dr. Roget was a British physician connected with the University of London, and may thus be excused for neglecting certain Maine-isms. He does not mention the peapod and the dory, the johnnyboat and the doublender. He does show the French *chasse-marée*, but does not give the equally French *bateau*, which in Maine and Quebec came to mean a special riverboat. (When the Bath Apprenticeshop built some bateaux to be used this coming fall in the re-enactment of Arnold's march to Quebec, at least one Maine publication stepped an extra t — *batteaux*.)

Here are some (not all!) of Dr. Roget's variations on the theme:

Ship, bark, barque, brig, barkentine, schooner, transport, tender, merchantman, packet, whaler, slaver, collier, coaster, lighter, trawler, hulk, yacht, liner, sloop, cutter, corvette, clipper, foist, yawl, dandy, ketch, smack, lugger, barge, hoy, cat, buss, tug, pinnace, launch, jollyboat, bum-boat, ferry, shallop, gig, funny, skiff, dingy, scow, cockle, cobble, punt, cog, kedge, lerret, randan, outrigger, float, raft, pontoon, prame, catamaran, coracle, gondola, carvel, caravel, felucca, caique, canoe, trireme, galley, dogger, hooker, etc.

And, naturally, boat — although Dr. Roget omits pronunciations, and we Mainers have no idea how *he* spoke it.



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Annual Meeting

The members of the Friendship Sloop Society gather each November for a social hour, dinner, and business meeting. In recent years the annual meeting has been held in the Portsmouth area, that being about as central a place as has accommodations.

It is not necessary to own a Friendship Sloop to be a member of the Society, and the membership roll includes many who do not. An interest in the Sloops and the purposes of the Society is sufficient, and the modest fee should deter nobody who is interested. The Secretary will accommodate inquiries.

During the annual home-coming regatta at Friendship Harbor, the skippers of the racing sloops hold several meetings to discuss race matters, and on the Saturday evening the annual skippers' banquet and awards program is held in the Hahn Community Center at Friendship Village. The Skippers' Banquet is by reserved tickets, mainly for owners, skippers, and crews. No business is transacted at this meeting.

During the rest of the year, the affairs of the Society are at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Bicentennial Regatta, 1976

The calendar will run around so that in 1976 the last weekend of July, settled as the annual homecoming regatta date, will come on the last three days of the month — July 29, 30, and 31. This will mean a week later than our last few Sloop Days have befallen (or is it befall?). Make plans accordingly.

We have learned that Canadian authorities have scheduled the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal so they coincide with our traditional date. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our members and friends.

Mission Accomplished

A gentleman interested in Friendship Sloops wrote to the Society's secretary, Betty Roberts, asking if she would send requested material, which she did at once, but there was a small complication in the addressing. This gentleman lives in U.S.A., but he was going to visit relatives in Italy, and he asked to have the material mailed to his cousin in Florence.

Not too long afterwards, the bundle that Betty had mailed was returned to her from the dead letter office in Boston. The address sticker which Betty had affixed was cut off and missing, but the dead letter people found her name when they opened the package.

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Ed. Note) — Several years ago a charming lady from Holland showed slides and lectured at the Portland Yacht Club about the round-and flat-bottomed boats of her country — they have a society which resembles our own, and on her visit to Maine that year she became interested in Friendship sloops. Last summer she made a special trip to see our races, and crewed with Al and Anne Beck on *Phoenix*. She has written of her impressions, sending her manuscript in both Dutch and English. We have selected excerpts from her English version, for no particular reason:

When I told people at home that I was going to Friendship, they started to laugh and asked unbelieving, "Does that exist? A place named Friendship? Are you really sure?" I certainly was sure, because each year I get my membership card in the Friendship Sloop Society straight from the town of Friendship. So Friendship existed all right, but as yet I did not exactly know where.

In the middle of June I arrived in New York, and when I asked people I visited there, "Do you know Friendship?" they said, "Where would that be? A little harbour in Maine? Never heard of it!" (These were not Maine people I asked.) I did find Friendship, and on a Wednesday afternoon in July I came to the wharf of Al and Betty Roberts and I felt forlorn and lonely, not knowing a soul but Betty — whom I'd met once, three years ago.

I did not know quite what to do or whom to accost, but someone came down the stairs and came straight up to me and said, "Hi, Margaretha, welcome to Friendship! Come upstairs and make yourself at home." This had to be Betty Roberts who, with all the excitement around her, still had time to introduce me to people, and to install me in her home at the top of those stairs.

"Make yourself at home!" they say in America, and they really mean it.

Now I realized only one thing could spoil the fun — the dreaded Maine fog! It is the same in the Netherlands, where our flat- and round-bottom boats come together in a yearly reunion just as the sloops return to Friendship. We, too, look anxiously at the sky and the barometer. Will it storm? But I was not to see a Maine fog during Sloop Days. The weather was warm and lovely and the sailing just fine. And during Sloop Days the "make-yourself-at-home" applied to me aboard the *Phoenix* with hospitable Al and Anne Beck as my hosts. I became an able bodied member of the Friendship Sloop Society!

How we worked like mad, during the second race, to shake off *Tannis* when she suddenly and irresistibly came charging after us, half a mile from the finish! Ease jib — in staysail — ease staysail — she's gaining — we're nearly even — there is the finish — we're getting a puff of wind — taking it out of her sails — we're gaining — BANG! Hooray! Three cheers for *Tannis* and well done Al Beck!

And where can a happy hour be happier than on board a good sloop with good friends after a good race?

So I enjoyed the three Friendship Sloop Days. When now somebody asks me, "Do you know where to find Friendship?" I shall surely answer, "Yes. Friendship is in the hearts of those who are members of that marvelous family — the Friendship Sloop Society!"

— Margaretha from Holland



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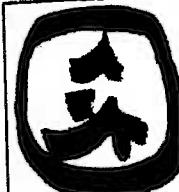
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Mures Aquatiles

That there was nothing novel about the ORDER OF WATER RATS even A.D. 80, Marcus Valerius Martialis was well aware. He was a poet, for the moment at a plush shore resort, broke, serving a patron, rich, whose boat he borrowed for an errand of his own, or the patron's — prosaic enough. Roman poets were not of the ORDER. The boat had in-board power — two slave boys complete with oars, and an older servant for boat-steerer. Here is how the poem came out:

* * * *

M. V. Martialis III-68

You're idling, boys, and nothing have you learned,
But, lazier than Vaternus and Rasina,
Whose sluggish oars you dip in lagging time
To the boat-steerer's chant, you snail your way
Through never-ending shoals. Already Phoebus,
In level light, reins in his sweating steeds.
Day is burned out. The attendant Hour unyokes
The horses, weary from mid-sky careering.
But you — you drift and dawdle aimlessly
On placid waters, trusting in the boat,
To trifle away leisure not your own!
True Argonauts, you shirkers? Good-for-naughts!

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Well, MURES AQUATILES. What else?

P. M. Woodwell
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Ornamental Ornithology

That's an owl on the truck of the *Flying Jib*.

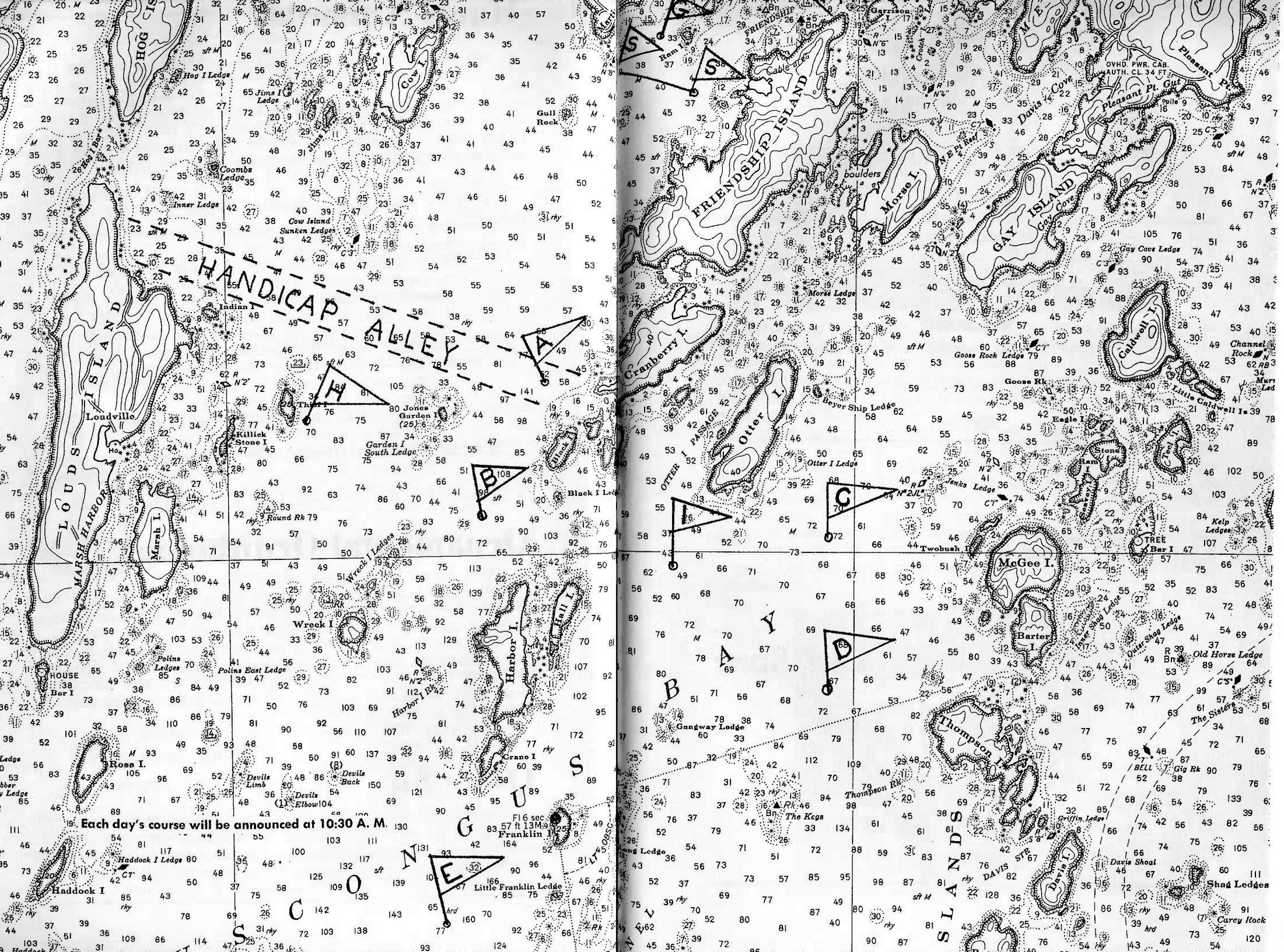
Fishermen say a fake owl on a mast will scare away the gulls. Newt Hinckley has had a fishhawk that roosts on his masthead while the *Flying Jib* is on mooring, and the bird uses the decks for a gurrybucket.

When Wes Gordeuk, the "Ridge Whittler" from Glastonbury, Connecticut, was here last year for the sloop program, he promised to provide an owl to see if it would also scare away fishhawks. At press time for this booklet, the *Flying Jib* was still hauled out, so there is no report as to the efficacy of this device at this moment.

The owl is of Styrofoam, and doesn't give a hoot.

Quite So

There's a fellow in Chicago named David Beach who went to Paris this past winter to represent United States boating interests at an international conference about converting to metric measurements. We asked him to tell us what went on that might be of interest to Friendship sloopers. His response says, "The major problem is to 'think Metric.'"



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"Friendship," writes Herbert A. Finneson of White Plains, New York, "as I remember it from a visit of years ago, isn't much of a town." That depends. Mr. Finneson, who is an attorney at law, wrote to tell us he has a beautiful model of a Friendship sloop adorning his law office. He acquired it from Mr. Wilson C. King of near-by Portchester, who has made many models of our favorite vessel.

Now retired, Mr. King makes these models as a hobby, but when he began selling them he turned professional. He uses no "kits," but starts from scratch and lays up his craft just as a full-size sloop would be constructed in a boatyard. He began years ago with clipper models, but one day was attracted by the lines of a Friendship, and now specializes on them. He has sailed, both on water and on ice, but now that he is famous as a maker of Friendship models, he wants to come to Friendship and crew on a real sloop. An invitation has been extended.

Mr. King will make sloop models on order, as he did for Attorney Finneson.



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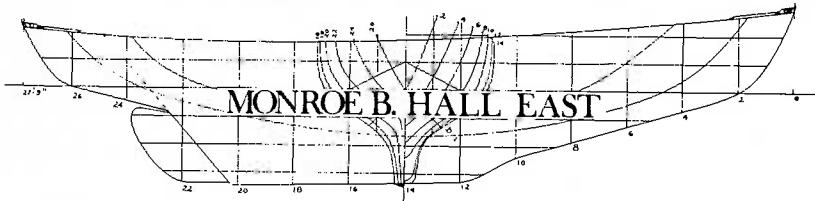
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Communications ship-to-shore and vice versa have been something of a problem during previous sloop races, but this year things are expected to hum along just dandy. The amateur (ham) radio folks have come to our aid.

James F. Hartley of Raymond, operator of amateur station WIDIS, proposed to his radio club pals that they come with their mobile and portable rigs, and station themselves variously so people on shore can know what's going on at sea during the races, and the committee boat, the public announcer, and the press can keep informed play-by-play.

At press-time for this booklet, all the details hadn't been worked out. But several hams will come with campers and trailers, and they will use a "repeater station" to insure strong signals, and we'll have something about how it all worked out in the sloop program booklet a year hence.

Friendship Defined

FRIENDSHIP. Town. Knox County. Bounds, WALDOBORO, CUSHING, SAINT GEORGE, Atlantic ocean, BREMEN. Area in acres; Land, 8883, inland water, 0, bog or swamp, 779, total 8883. Previous designations Meduncook, Medunkook. Settled 1770. Incorporated Feb. 25, 1807 the 166th town. Part set off to CUSHING Feb. 5, 1834. Part of CUSHING annexed Feb. 20, 1839. Otter, Cranberry, Halls, Harbor, Black and Heron Islands annexed Feb. 28, 1867. Principle settlements, Friendship, East Friendship. (From *The Length and Breadth of Maine* by Stanley B. Attwood, 1946.)

The Other One

Webster's Geographical Dictionary lists Friendship. Says it's a village, shire town of Adams County, central Wisconsin; population 453.

Webster's doesn't list our Friendship; population about 800 (not including summecaters and sloopers).

Friendship is mentioned forty-six times in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*.



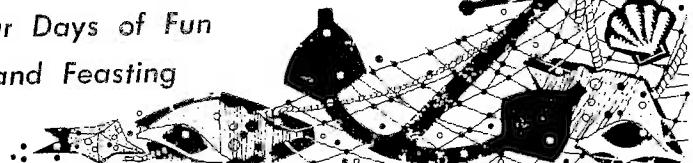
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Sloop Daze

Sloop Days divide the Friendship summer down the middle. "Come see us before or after Sloop Days!" is the wise way to put it, but around Christmas when cheer is running full tide and gayety is at abandon, the hearty but unwary non-resident taxpayer will be heard to say, altogether too often, "Come for Sloop Days!"

The festive jovialty and cheery invitations of mid-winter cause panic come July, when a tally is made and your modest cottage appears booked for a guest count of about 28, with several precincts yet unreported. It does no good to canvass the other cottages on the point in a search for overflow beds — those cottages have their own 28 apiece.

Plan A, in preparing for the influx, calls for a crash course in logistics, but experience teaches that making all the ice cubes you can is important. Then you can fill the cookie jars, etc., and hurry to Friendship Market and Archie's to buy everything they have left.

Wednesday of Sloop Days week commences the ultimate adjustments. The first guests to arrive have brought some friends, "knowing you wouldn't mind."

And as people come, and come, logistics turns out to be a minor problem after all. Everybody brings something. The nine bachelors bring girlfriends who have baked nine cakes. The refrigerator is full so it takes three people to slam the door to. Shelves are loaded, and those who like to drink their food have foreseen all contingencies. (Make more ice cubes!)

When the Sloop Days visitors hit the turnpike for home and the city, there is complete agreement in the family that next Christmas time restraint will be applied to the general announcements. But it doesn't seem to happen. When Sloop Days approach again the count is again up around 28, or 30, and the pattern of the Friendship summer is established — the Friendship year stems from and flows toward Sloop Days. Fun, family, friends, and Friendship.

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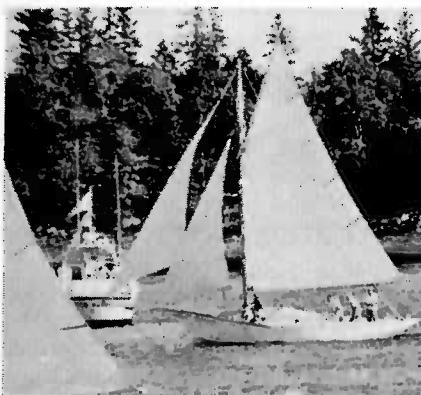
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Lord, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will someday be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful, but not moody, helpful but not bossy . . . with my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end!

Keep my mind free from the endless recital of endless details . . . give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains; they are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of other's pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint, some of them are so hard to live with, but a sour person (young or old) is one of the crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people, and give me, Lord, the grace to tell them so. Amen.

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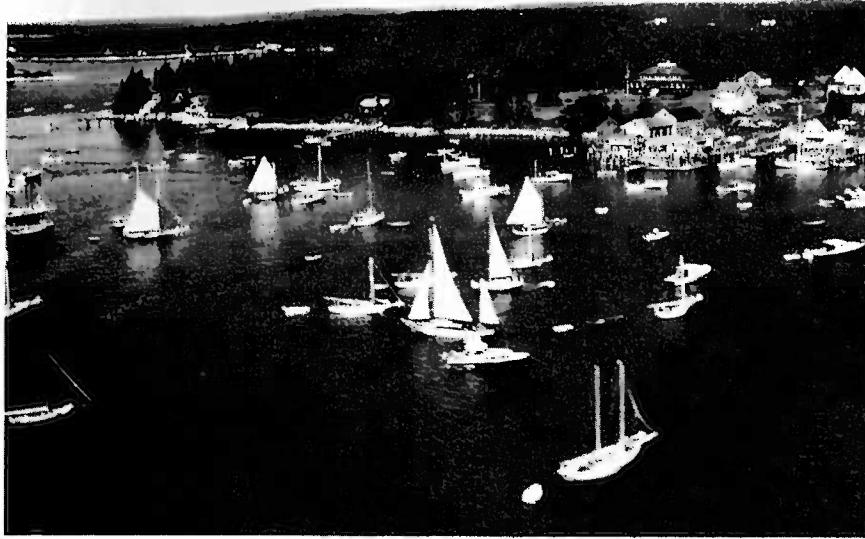
John W. Chaunce, Commodore of the Cunard fleet and Master of *SS Queen Elizabeth*, had this prayer framed in his quarters behind the bridge. No one seems to know the author.

Friendship Village

Should you have missed it, *Friendship Village* is a series of twenty sentimental stories by Zona Gale, published in 1908. The narrator is a woman who moves from a big city to a Midwestern village, and the stories are simple little vignettes of sweet and kindly things that always work out pleasantly. There's one woman who won't go to parties because she wants to wear out her mourning dress before buying a new one. Then there's a washer-woman who plans a big coming-out party for her daughter, about to be married, and nobody comes because the society (in *Friendship?*) leader happens to schedule a party for the same night. The daughter didn't come, either, because she had eloped. But all works out well when the society leader brings all her guests to the washer-woman's, and they have a dandy time.

Zona Gale was a Wisconsin author(ess) — deletion to sop the wom. lib. folks — and in 1921 a dramatization of her *Miss Lulu Bett* won a Pulitzer award.

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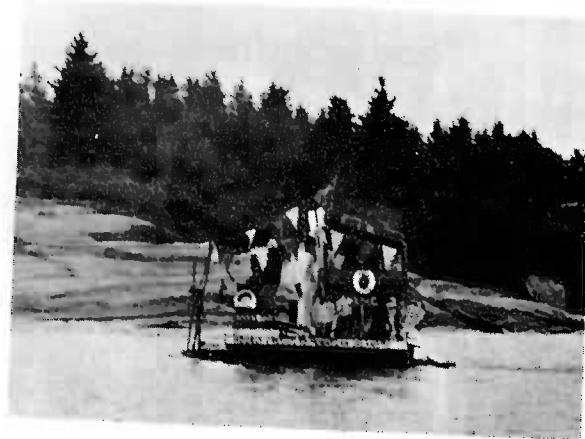
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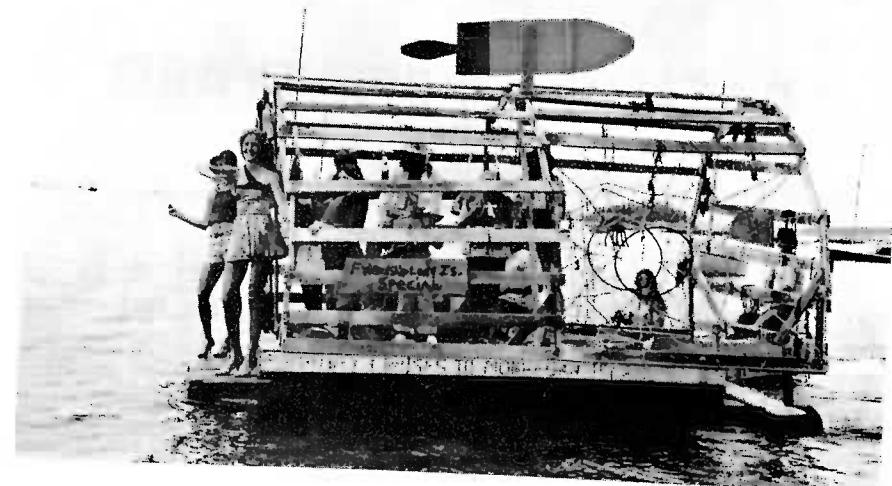


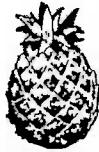
Monhegan Cruises



Two years ago when the fog closed in on Sloop Days, one bright spot in the drear was the appearance of the alleged cruise boat to Monhegan. A group of "seasonal" young folks on Davis Point cooked the thing up, and brought smiles to all as they outboarded the thing around the harbor to the accompaniment of alleged music.

Last year they were back with a new model, still offering "Hourly Cruises to Monhegan." Above is a poor picture of the first effort (because of the fog), and below a better picture of the huge lobster trap housing the so-called orchestra and adorned with pretties. So far this is the only effort of its happy kind to put more than sloops in the Saturday parade of sloops.





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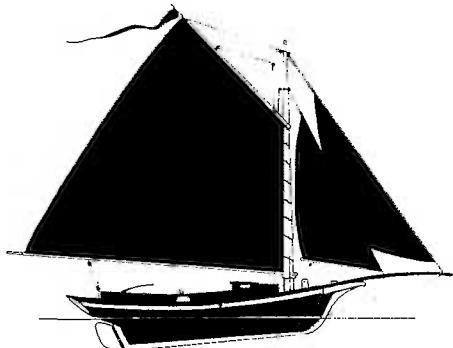
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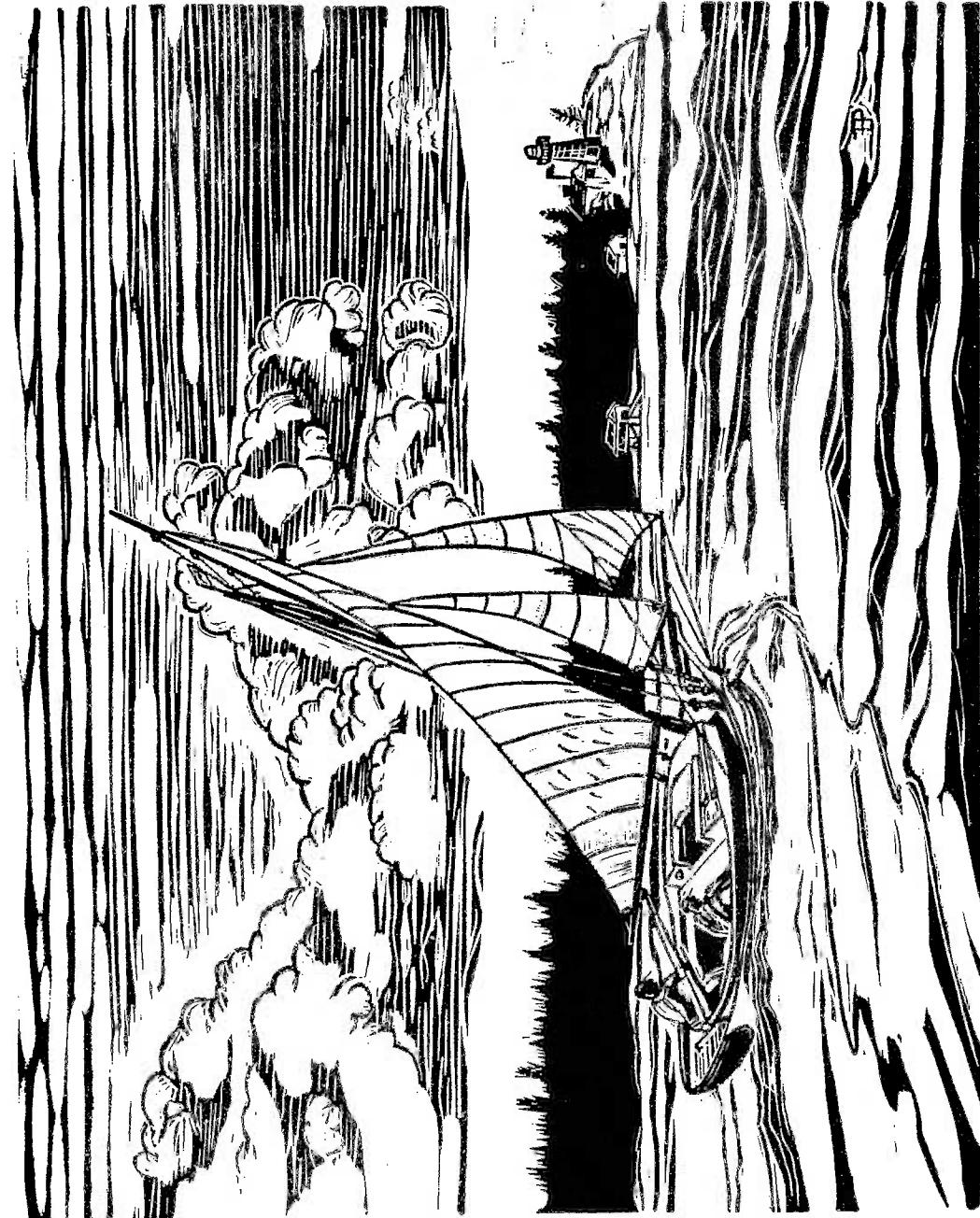
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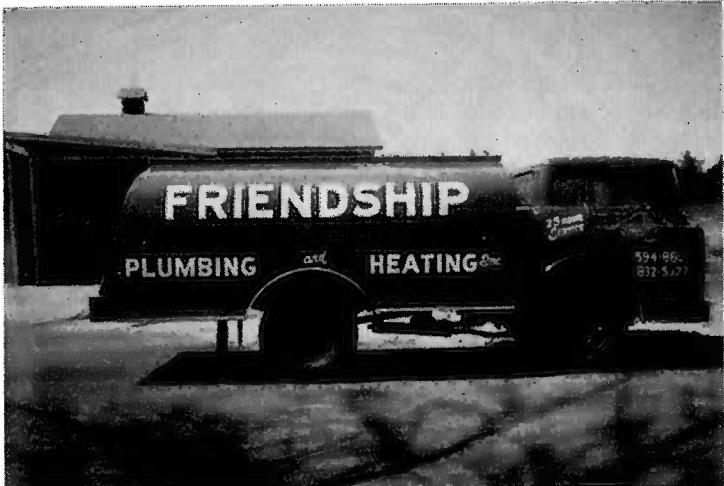
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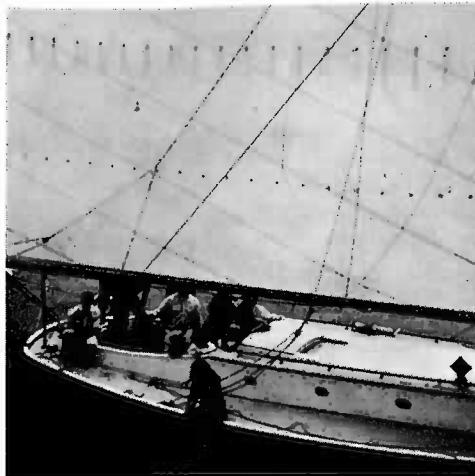
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Log of Tannis

We're often asked why the whole family enjoys sailing. How do you get the kids to go sailing? Why does your wife enjoy sailing? The answer isn't simple! When we decided to write something for the program, we found that wasn't simple either. Our crew of ten couldn't agree on one subject. So perhaps, the following will answer some of the questions:

Remember, the first year we bought *Tannis*? . . . How nervous we were! For our first trip to Friendship we had a cut-down rig, old canvas sails (patched beyond belief), and we nearly spoiled *Depression*'s traditional record of coming in last every year. We finished just ahead of her. We had only eight crew members that year and the captain had no beard! Remember how beautiful Portland Light Ship looked that year after three days and three nights of sailing in fog so dense we could hear (but not see) the water going 'long side the boat?

Remember . . . when Billy (three years old) was put into his bunk for a nap and when Mom checked to see if he was awake, she found he never had taken a nap. He had removed all the labels from the canned goods locker — and every meal that summer was a complete surprise!

Remember, when our Helmsman, John, was given a course of 045° and got his figures mixed up and sailed a course of 145° for two and a half hours? Will you ever forget what the captain said when he woke up?

Remember, being anchored behind Richmond Island for a day, with high winds, heavy seas and fog — with night coming and no way of knowing if our anchor was holding? The captain was standing his watch, and the only thing he had to take a bearing on was a lobster buoy — so after watching the buoy for a couple of hours, he came up with the idea of tying a string onto the buoy, leading it down into the cabin (anyone who touched that string would have been keelhauled), and tied it onto his wrist and then had a good night's sleep.

Remember, that although we have sailed back and forth to Friendship for seven years we have never yet seen the Maine coast through the fog?

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Remember, leaving Salem heading for the Gaff-Rigged Races at Vineyard Haven only to find the wind right on our nose? We did an about face, sailed through to Friendship and spent most of the summer there with John, Dad and Shelley commuting by bus to Sturbridge.

Remember, Tom's explanation to a lady on shore when she asked about the safety of swimming off the *Tannis* with all the sharks, etc.? Tom replied, "No Problem! We fish for mackerel first, cut them up for bait, fish off the bowsprit for sharks while the kids swim off the stern!"

Remember when one foggy "Gam Night" the Captain and Mom left the teen-agers to baby-sit while they visited? On their return to the *Tannis*, they noticed a dozen or so other skiffs tied astern and the cockpit filled with kids. As they pulled alongside, one of the visitors who did not recognize them quietly said, "Welcome aboard! But keep quiet! There are four kids asleep below, and if you wake them up you'll have to put them back to sleep!"

Remember, when every year two races were run in Friendship? The one between all the classes of sloops and the one between *Tannis* and *Emmie B*, the late Reggie Wilcox's boat? The *Emmie B* had a great crew aboard and we have some excellent movies of both crews blowing on their sails to get "mast abeam" and beat the other. If Reggie lost in the race, he always won in the story-telling afterwards! We often wish we had had a tape-recorder available when Reggie started telling his tales of the sea, Newfoundland, and the old coastal schooners.

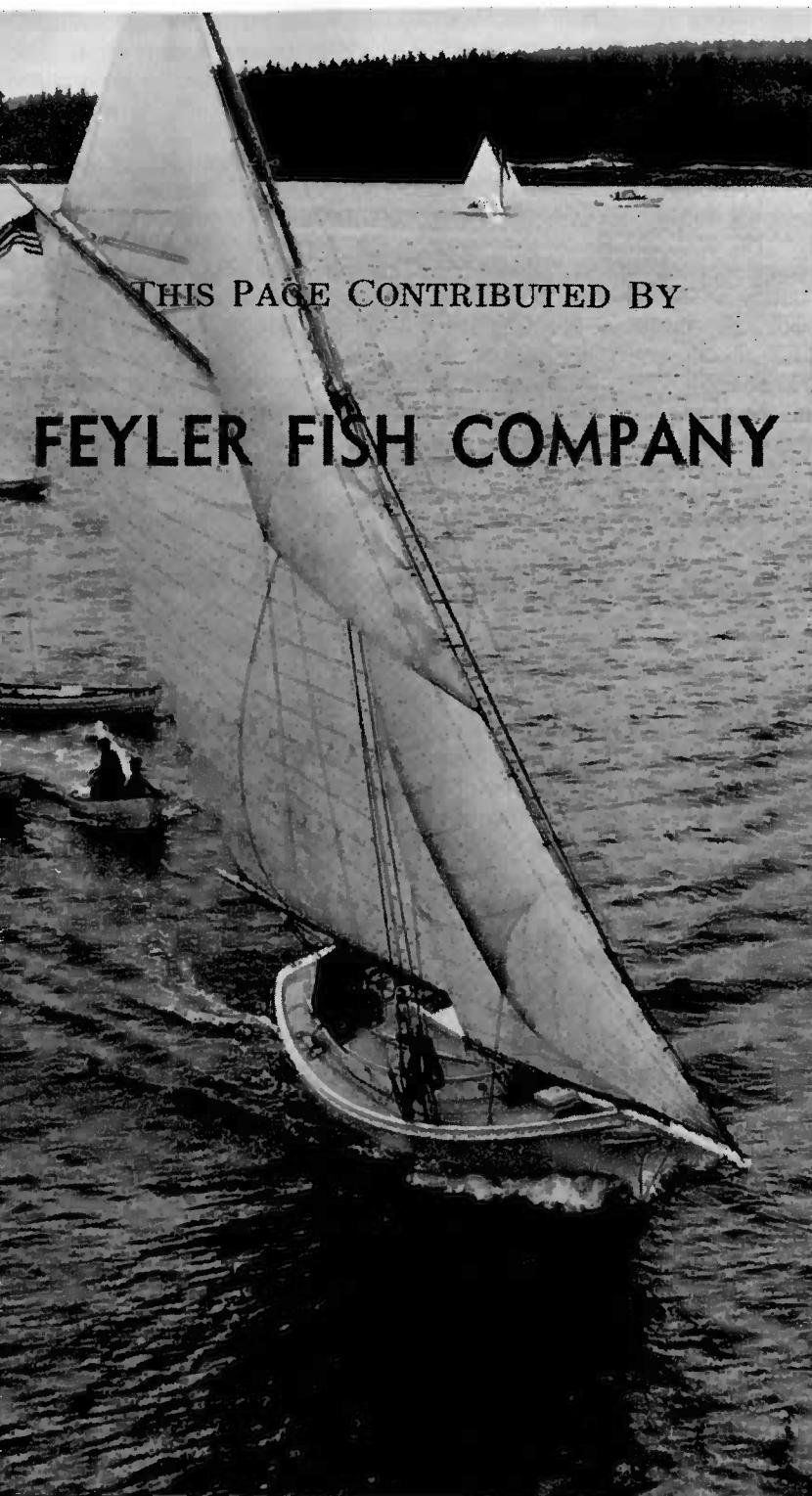
Remember, the year of the water balloon fights? Almost losing our statistician, Leo Campbell, overboard during an exciting race when he swung out on a loose running backstay? All the sun glasses, hats, binoculars, etc., that have gone to the bottom?

Remember our difficulty in getting an 18-foot long 200-pound piece of driftwood home? Especially when we tried to get it on the roof of our station wagon? Remember, working hard to get a good start in one of the Marblehead Races and hearing Linc Ridgeway announce over the bullhorn, "*Tannis*, you are over the line!" — just before the last gun? We had rounded the wrong black can! And after telling about it back at the Yacht Club, *Calypygous* did the exact same thing the next day! Remember, again in Marblehead, instead of going inside or outside of Marblehead Rock, we went up and over it!

Remember, adopting a cute little puppy and finding she was in heat our first day out on a trip to Friendship? With several weeks ahead of us, we had our hands full!" But somewhere along the Maine coast something happened because the following October she presented us a litter of four puppies!

Remember, when we lost our top-mast with a tremendous roar during Thursday's race? We made our repairs, and had our mainmast shot off by the same pirates during Saturday's race! We sailed home with an upside-down jib in the fore triangle, a double-reefed main on the stump, and the rest of the debris tied on deck!

Remember, when each sloop had to retrieve a handicap buoy with its own number on it during the races and return the buoy to the race commit-



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tee after the race? It was with a great deal of relief we learned this had been changed. Cindy had jumped overboard our second year at Friendship and retrieved our lost buoy, and the captain had surprised us all by leaping in after our precious buoy the next year! It was the first time we ever saw Don Huston completely speechless!

Remember what beautiful peanut butter spread crackers Caroline (4 years old) could make? We were all amazed at how neat the finished cracker always looked — until we found out she licked the excess peanut butter off the cracker with her tongue!

Remember, when our plans were for *Tannis* and *Eagle* to leave Boothbay Harbor together quietly at four a.m., and after silently waking the crews, sails were hoisted, moorings dropped, and we proceeded on a collision course with one another! Boothbay Harbor woke up early that morning!

Remember, Shelley's complete surprise when she was sitting in the cockpit to see her clothes go floating by? Jeff and Wayne (1 and 2 years old) were in the forward cabin pushing her wardrobe out the porthole!

Remember, rebuilding the *Tannis*? Seeing the covering plank blow away when exposed? But one story leads to another and another . . .



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AN ANXIOUS MOMENT

Anxious Moment

Past President George B. Morrill, Jr., has not returned for Sloop Days since he sold his *Sazarac*, but at Antigua, where he is co-proprietor of Admiral's Inn at English Harbor, he officiates as timer for annual race week, this year April 26 to May 3.

On pages 70 and 71 of the program for the events of race week, an artist has depicted George, and we reproduce his impressions. The first shows our hero with chronometer in (one) hand.

The second shows George being transferred from one craft to another after the first proved too slow to keep up with the good wind of the Falmouth-Dickenson's race. The program says, "Although the transfer was made in sheltered waters, the sea was choppy, and we all had an anxious moment for the chronometer."

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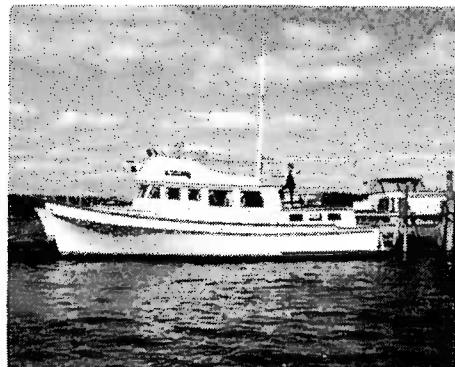
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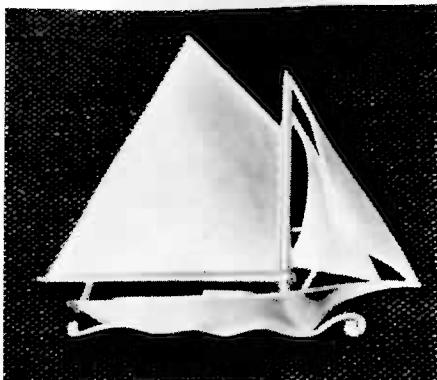
Peanut Project

During 1974 Sloop Days, the hot peanut program appeared with a spanking new peanut cart, and Sally Lash and Heidi Gagne posed by it for Photographer David Wallace. The peanut sales have been supervised by Miss Lash lately, although in previous years other young ladies of town have been in charge. Miss Lash and Miss Gagne have promised to be on hand for the 1975 Sloop Days.

The peanuts are donated to the Friendship Sloop Society by a South Portland wholesale grocery company that prefers to contribute anonymously, after which the girls put them in candy-stripe paper bags and arrange them for sale in the cart. The copper peanut warmer is authentic, and is the property of the Friendship Sloop Society.

All money paid for hot peanuts is brought to the Annual Skippers' Dinner on Saturday night by Miss Lash, and she turns it over to the Treasurer Ernst Wiegleb, who has the job of counting approximately \$200 in small change. He then credits the proceeds to the Beatrice Pendleton Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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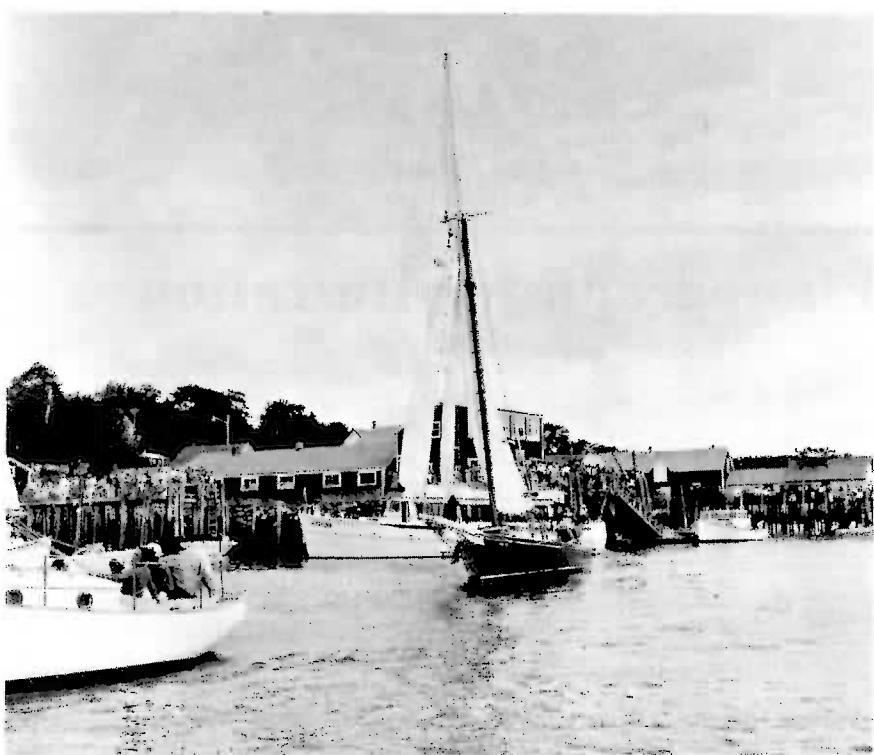
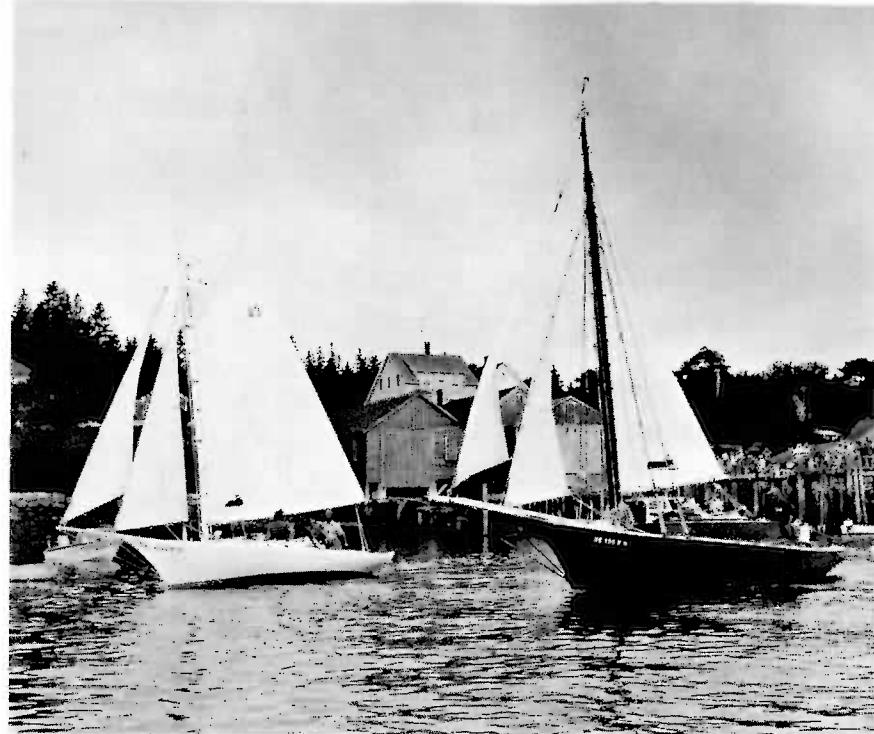
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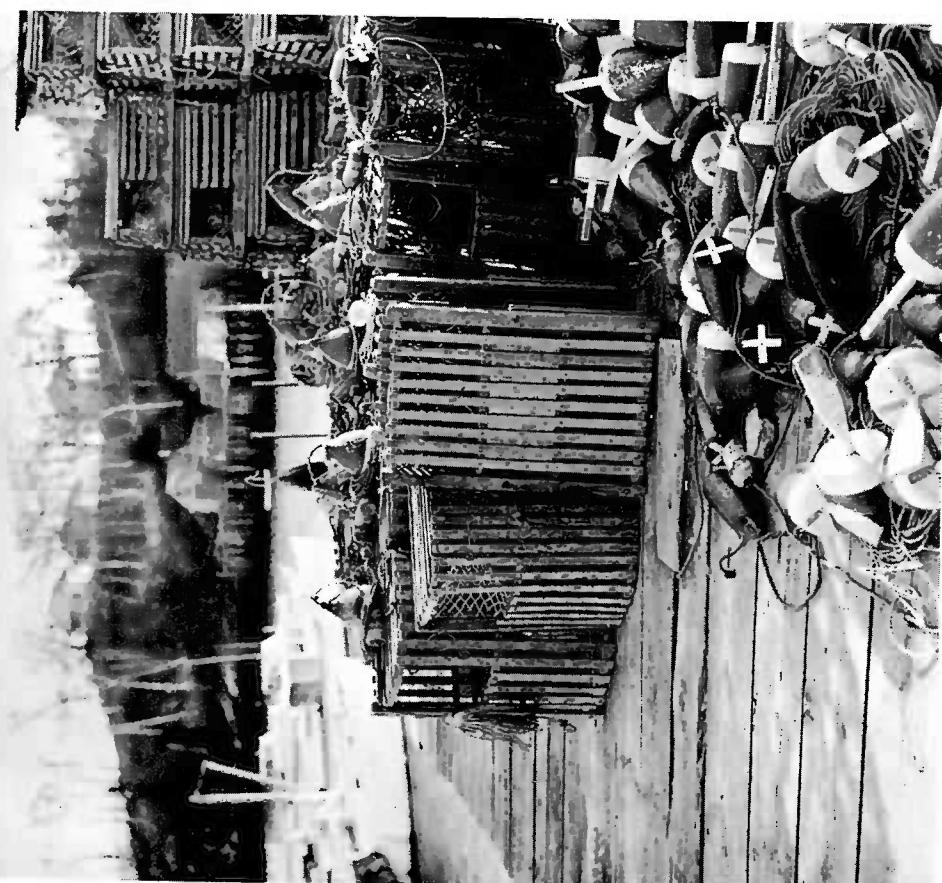




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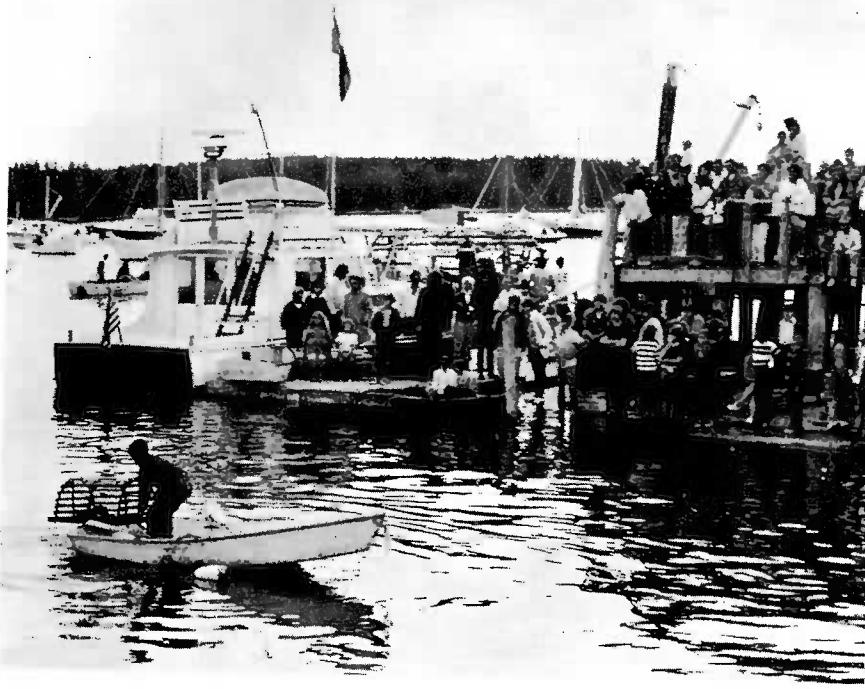
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No doubt the young man arranging a lobster trap on the sternsheets of his skiff is descended from old-time lobstermen who hauled with original Friendship sloops. Lobstering isn't something that can logically be suspended just because Friendship harbor once again fills with Friendship sloops. The pilgrims on the wharf seem to be giving the lad as much attention as they give to Bill Danforth's handsome *White Falcon*, committee boat for the races.

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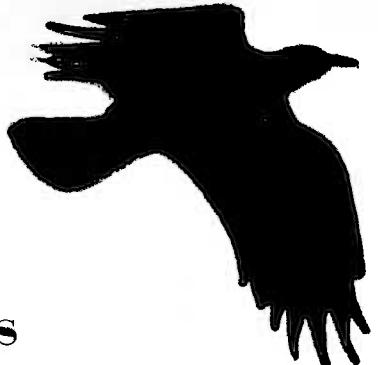
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Crows

*by F. H. Perkins
Master, sloop TERN*

If you ask the average person what he felt about crows he would say, "Not much." They are thought of as mostly a nuisance bird that eats the farmer's corn and without which we would never have seen a scarecrow. He is big, black, not very pretty, and he certainly can't sing. So what good can he be?

Ask a man who cruises the Maine coast what he thinks about crows and I'll bet you get a different answer. The islands off Maine are populated with crows and while you are at anchor in a cove you get to know them on different terms. We have even navigated by crow power. In one of the sloop races several years ago, we sailed in thick fog and it was the crows that told us when we were approaching an island. As you sit relaxing in the cockpit of your vessel in the evening or perhaps with a mug of coffee after breakfast, you realize that crows have many different ways of cawing.

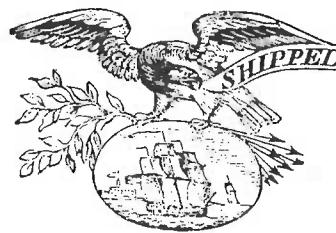
There are expressions to their language and during the summer the young ones are flying off the nest and they have their adolescent sound. There is the call of the lookout warning the rest of the crowd to pay attention. There is the playing of the kids that I particularly like. There are the clowns who just fool around, and mother calling her brood back home. Perhaps the reason a cruising man likes crows is that he is sharing the bounty of the islands; the clams and mussels, the blueberries and raspberries, and the beauty with them. When we share with others there is an understanding that develops and changes our attitudes towards each other. And so it is with crows and the man who sails amongst the jewels of the coast.



Bicentennial Begins



Ric Getter Photo



The Friendship Sloop Society was pleasantly represented at the exercises at Concord Bridge on Patriot's Day, when the 200th anniversary celebration was kicked off by a repeat performance of "the shot heard round the world." More about that shot in a moment.

Newton G. Hinckley, skipper of the sloop *Flying Jib* (No. 45), is also Captain of the First Sudbury Minute & Militia. In 1775 Sudbury sent the largest contingent of Minutemen to meet the British coming from Boston, which played a prominent part in the exercises at North Bridge in Concord and afterwards during the retreat of the Redcoats. As in all the towns in that area, the ancient companies of Revolutionary soldiers have been maintained for historical purposes in Sudbury, but with a certain difference. The spit and polish tendencies of the present-day "honorary" companies are lacking in the Sudbury men. They give a reason for

this. They say the assemblage at Concord was not a heel-clicking, dress-up aggregation of dandies, but was rather an informal, if practiced, march of men who were not primarily soldiers. Consequently, the Sudbury men don't bother too much about keeping in step, and they maintain they are the only Minutemen who come to Concord in anything like the manner of 1775.

They march each 19th of April from their town common in Sudbury, arriving to play their part in the reenactment of the battle at Concord, and usually this march is punctuated along the way by musket fire, pauses for refreshment from the rum-flasks they insist are absolute replicas of original equipment, and badinage with citizens along the way. This year, however, because President Ford was to speak at Concord bridge, the Secret Service moved in and told the Sudburyites they would have to restrain some of their enthusiasms. Flints and powder were taken away from them, and to reduce the Sudbury frivolity the Sudbury Company was placed in the honorary position of guarding the President's route from his helicopter to the platform.

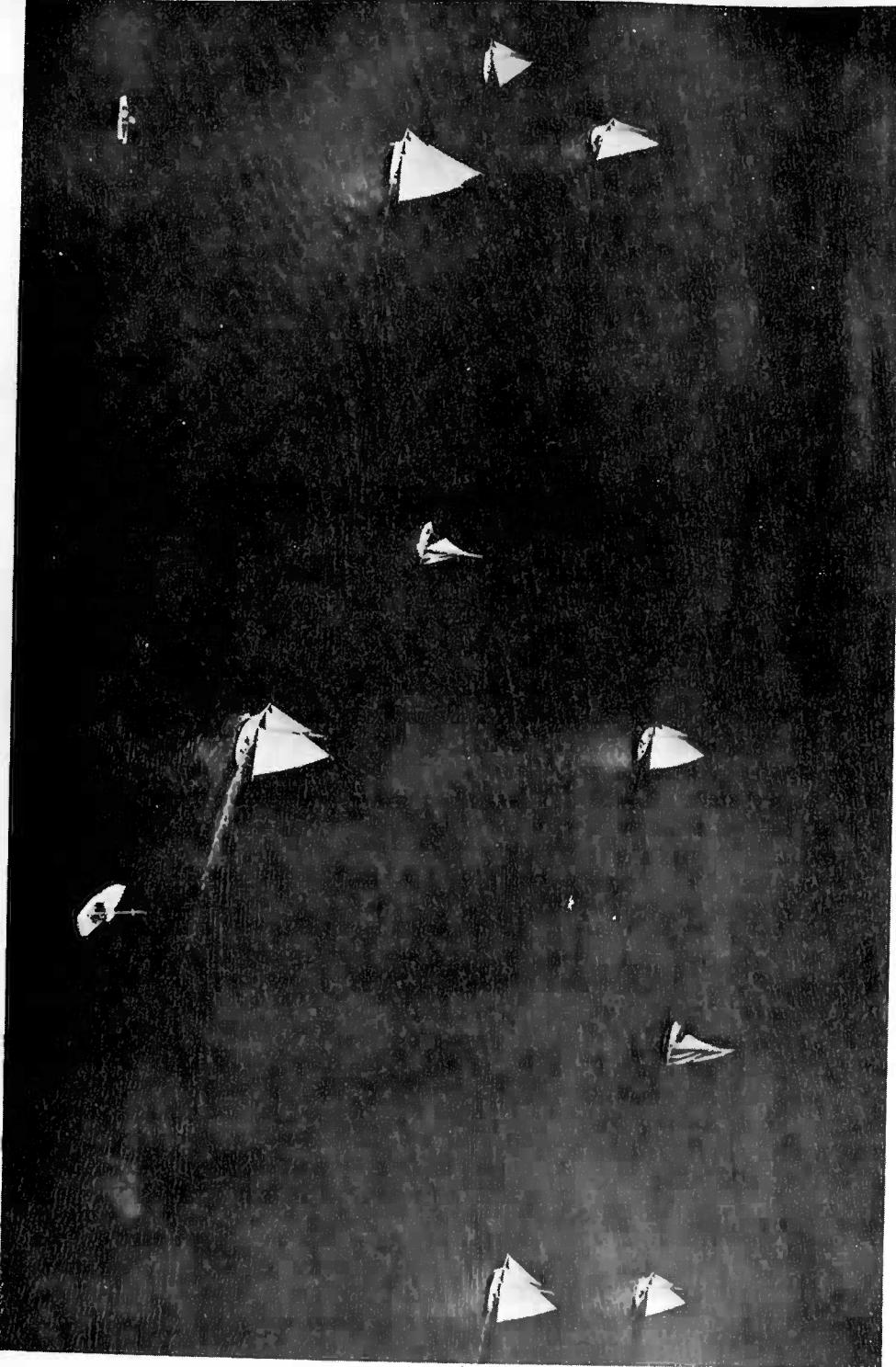
In spite of precautions, one Sudburyite held onto his flint, somehow kept some powder, and at the most serious moment of the exercises let his musket go while crossing the historic bridge. The Secret Service moved in on him and he shortly said he was sorry and wouldn't do it again. But his shot was heard around the world on television.

Captain Hinckley, as he tells it, found the 1975 reenactment of the 1775 story subdued and far less fun than the same thing in ordinary years. The presence of the President and the security developed put a damper on the customary, and a tension prevailed in both the Minutemen and the crowd.

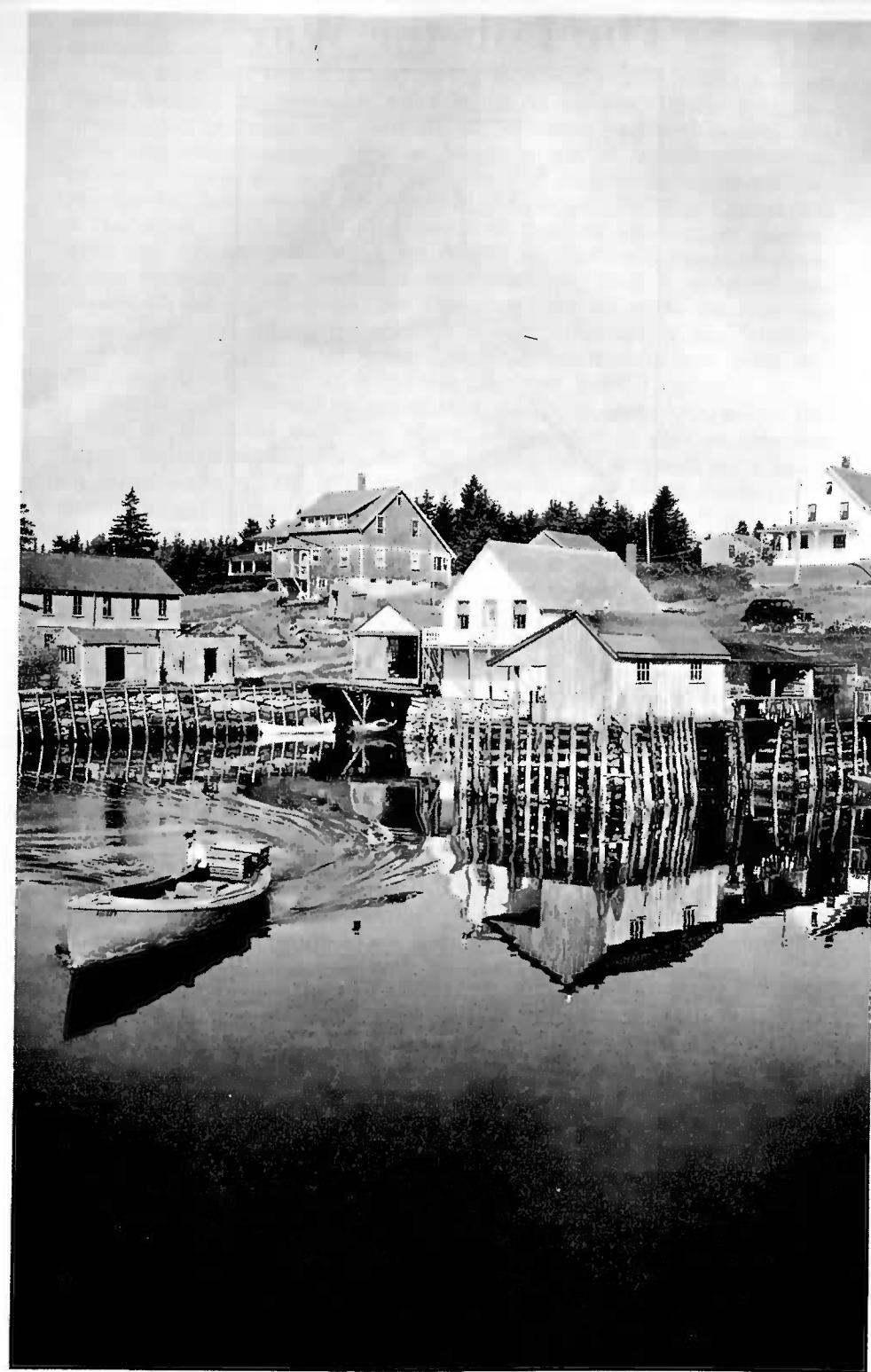
The photograph of Newt and his friends crossing Concord Bridge was made by Ric Getter of the South Middlesex Sunday *News* of Framingham, Massachusetts, and there's a story about that. It was made in color, and was reproduced on the front page of the *News* in color on April 20. Immediately, the *News* received a request from *Der Spiegel* in West Germany for permission to use the picture in that magazine. *Der Spiegel* is a news magazine somewhat on the order of our *Time*. Photographer Getter thereupon mailed the negative to Germany, and it was not available when this Sloop Program Booklet wanted a print. Photographer Geller did the best he could — he made us a photocopy from the color separations, and promised that if the negative came back from Germany in time he would get us a print for this booklet. If not, maybe we could use the substitute.

If the picture with this story seems pretty good, you'll know the negative came back from *Der Spiegel*. If the picture is so-so — that means we made do. In any event, Herr Hinckley is the prominent gentleman in the very center of the picture, wearing a military cape, and closely guarding not only President Ford, but his canteen.



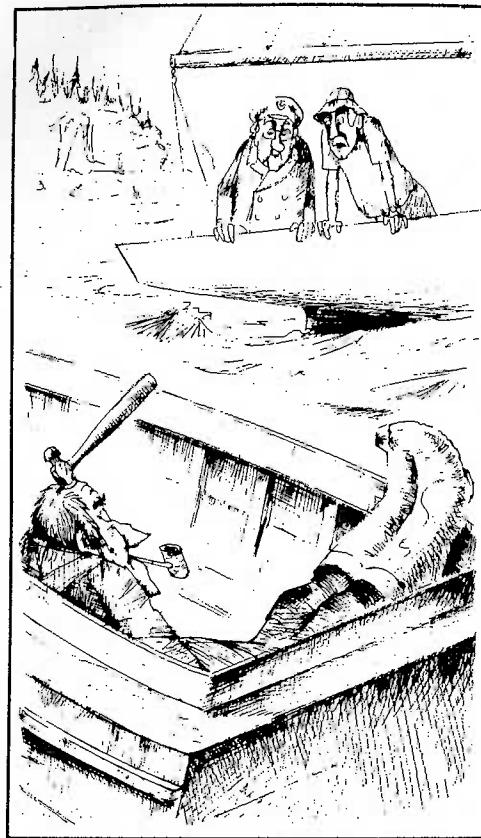


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The Lobster War



by John Gould

(Snatched from one of his books.)

Not always can the origins of folklore material be pinpointed, but there is one expression in the lobster fisheries whose beginning is known. The author of this expression was not a lobsterman, or even a State of Mainers — he was Dr. Ernest Gruening, once governor of the Virgin Islands, once governor of Alaska, and Alaska's first senator after statehood. Originally, he was a Boston newspaperman, and in that profession he became a specialist at doctoring sick newspapers. He had a crew of experts and they'd move in on a journal with anemia and for a fee would conduct the therapy. With this crew he was retained by a group of electric power companies to come to Maine in the late 1920's and found a newspaper in Portland — which he did, and it was the *Portland Evening News*.

His crew was more than able — it was talented and versatile, and it had the knack of handling news coverage to excite a readership. Things went well, and in a relatively short time the *News* had an afternoon circulation of some thirty thousand, which is very good in Maine, and it had the people of the state all worked up over the exportation of hydroelectric power — precisely what the *News* had been founded to prevent. Those were the days of Samuel Insull, and there was war in the electricity business. The established Portland papers had clearly embraced the Insull

purposes, and Insull's competition was willing to spend a lot of money to counteract this editorial advantage.

The pitch was that if Maine refused to export surplus power it would attract industry into the state, which would be far better than serving as a powerhouse for mills and factories in Massachusetts, and so on. Dr. Gruening was successful, because Maine people in a referendum vote refused to export power. That there was some merit in his argument may possibly be shown by the presence today of the great St. Regis paper mill at Bucksport — which may even have made the sheet you are now reading. This mill was designed almost entirely as an electrically operated plant. It has certainly made Bucksport prosperous, and used up a lot of non-exported kilowatts. Anyway, Dr. Gruening knew his trade, his crew was clever, and while this power question was in contention he gave Maine a very fine newspaper. Afterward, when the referendum was over, Dr. Gruening moved along to rejuvenate the *New York Post*.

But for a time we had an active, alert, dedicated newspaper, edited and written by talent far above the Maine normal, and to gain an audience for its hydro-power editorials the *News* had to offer thorough coverage of all Maine's affairs. But with so many imported, non-Maine, staffers, the paper did get into some newcomer binds.

Dr. Gruening was scholarly, and sharp. Since the existing Maine papers had been getting along profitably on a minimum of talent and application, he decided an "up" style would have an advantage. At the time, any one of the Boston newspapers was outselling the combined Maine papers in their own areas, and Dr. Gruening realized that to gain a substantial readership in Maine he must consider Boston his competition, too. Since he had learned his trade on Newspaper Row he was well aware of the Boston philosophies of circulation. Among the things he advanced to develop his policies was his style sheet, which he posted in the editorial chambers for his writers and editors. It was meant to give the readers a little highbrow and impress his public that *News* reporters could spell hard words. One of his rules was that nobody should refer to an automobile as a "car." Thus, the other papers said that cars had been stolen, cars had been wrecked, and that when the drawbridge stuck open, the cars were backed up for four miles. In the *News* these cars became automobiles, motor vehicles, conveyances, and so on — the idea being that if a reporter were meticulous enough to call a car a motor vehicle, he would be equally careful when describing a power failure in Lubec. A power failure proving, of course, that the Insull interests were inefficient.

Just as the electricity war was peaking, Maine came up with another one — a lobster war out around reaches of Penobscot Bay. Not too many people live there, but for those who do, lobstering is the economy, and they are not happy when fishermen from the mainland wander out that way to set a few traps. Every once in a while a lobster war breaks out, and it is a fearful thing. There is no set rule about what starts one. It can begin in Boston where dealers shave prices, or it can begin when somebody monkeys with the wrong wife. In lobstering, no man touches another man's gear. Horse thieves in the old West would get strung up, a fairly mild consequence in terms of lobstering. Boats have been found adrift with nobody in them. Where the man went, nobody knows — but they said he cut the warp on his best friend's pots. One year some summer yachtsmen found a boat adrift, but this one had a man in it. Not knowing the high sophistication of a lobster war, the summer yachtsmen were aghast to find this man insensible

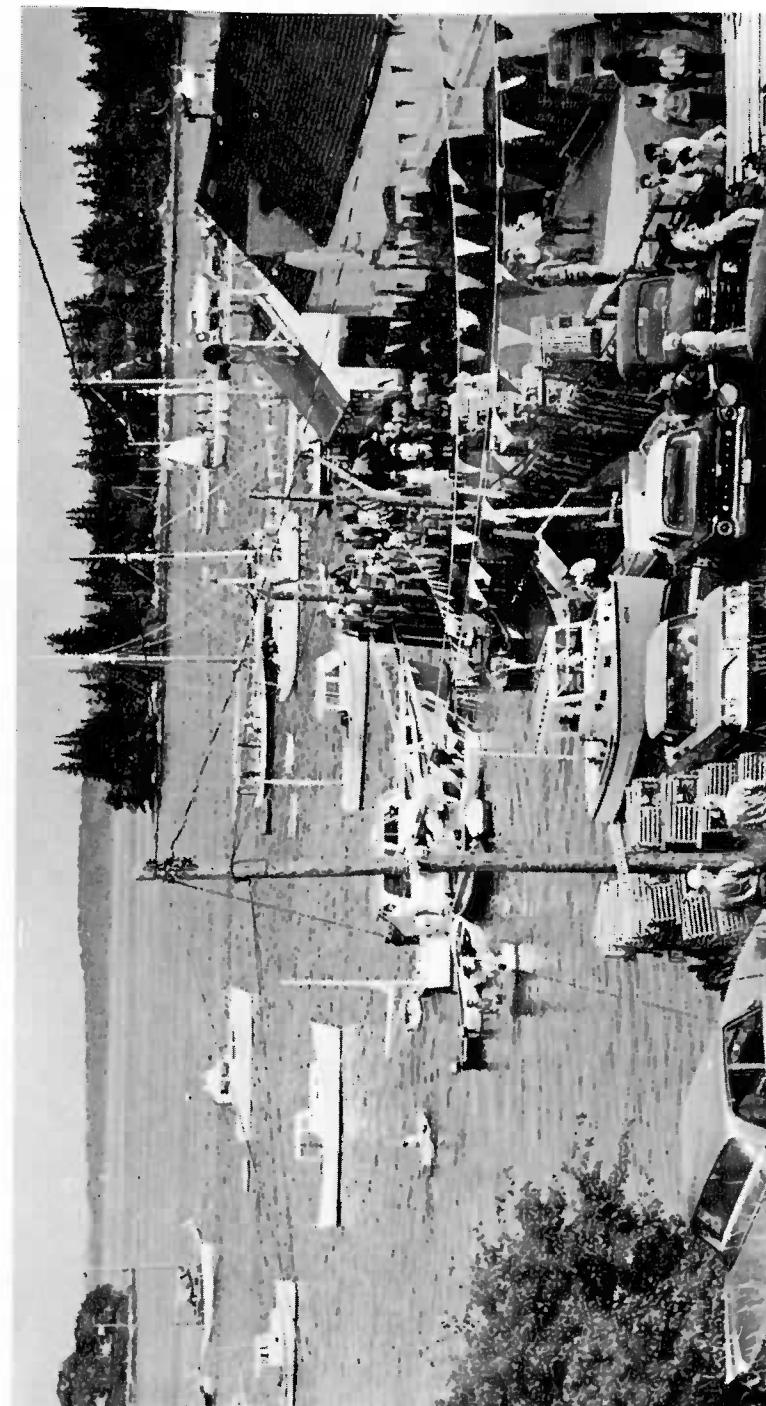
with the business end of a machinist's ball peen hammer sticking out of, or into, his head. After their first shock they debated if they should withdraw this or leave it for a surgeon, and as the man seemed likely to remain insensible, they prudently decided on the surgeon and towed the boat in. The man recovered, and the hammer hadn't been hurt a bit, but the day he got out of the hospital everybody watched to see who left town — this would be some indication of who first owned the hammer. A man did leave town, and he has never come back — nor will he, for the hammer is hanging in a baithouse, waiting to be claimed.

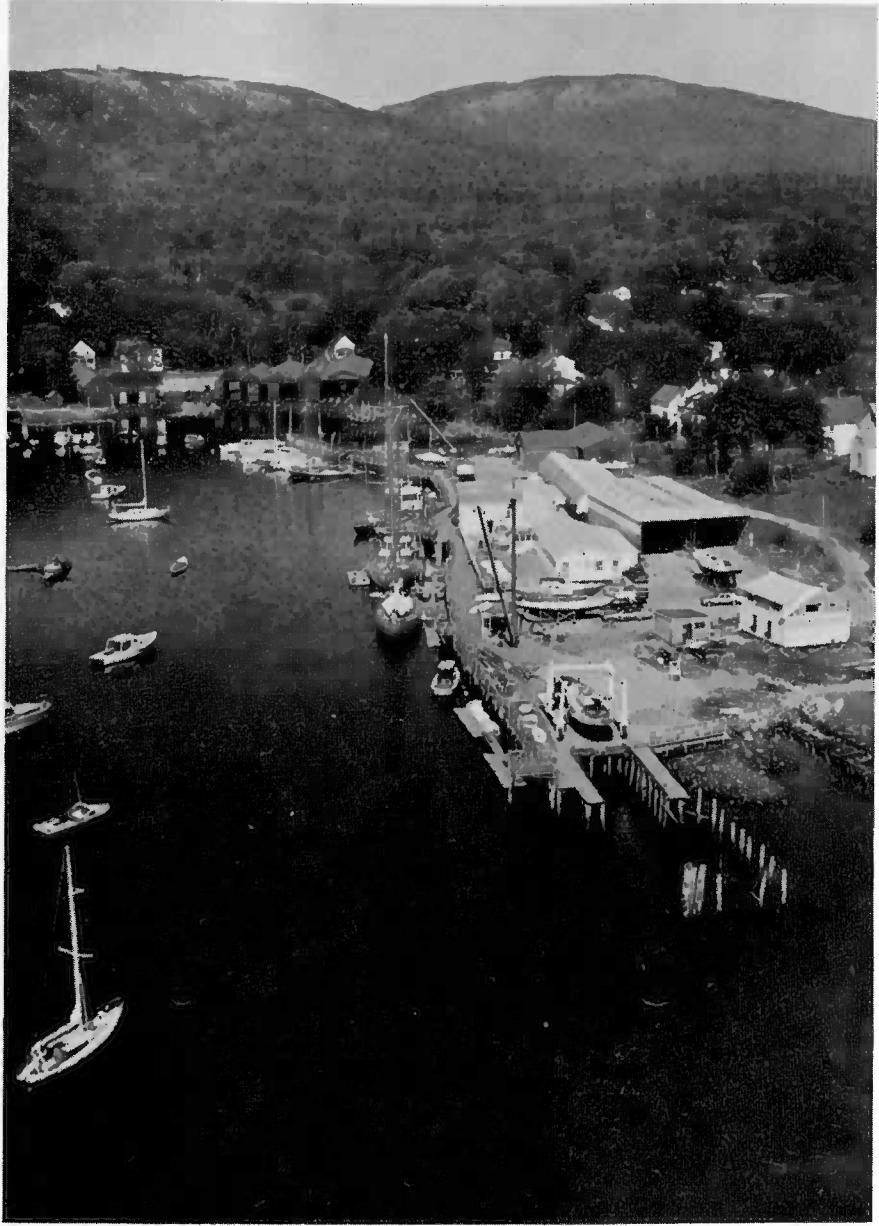
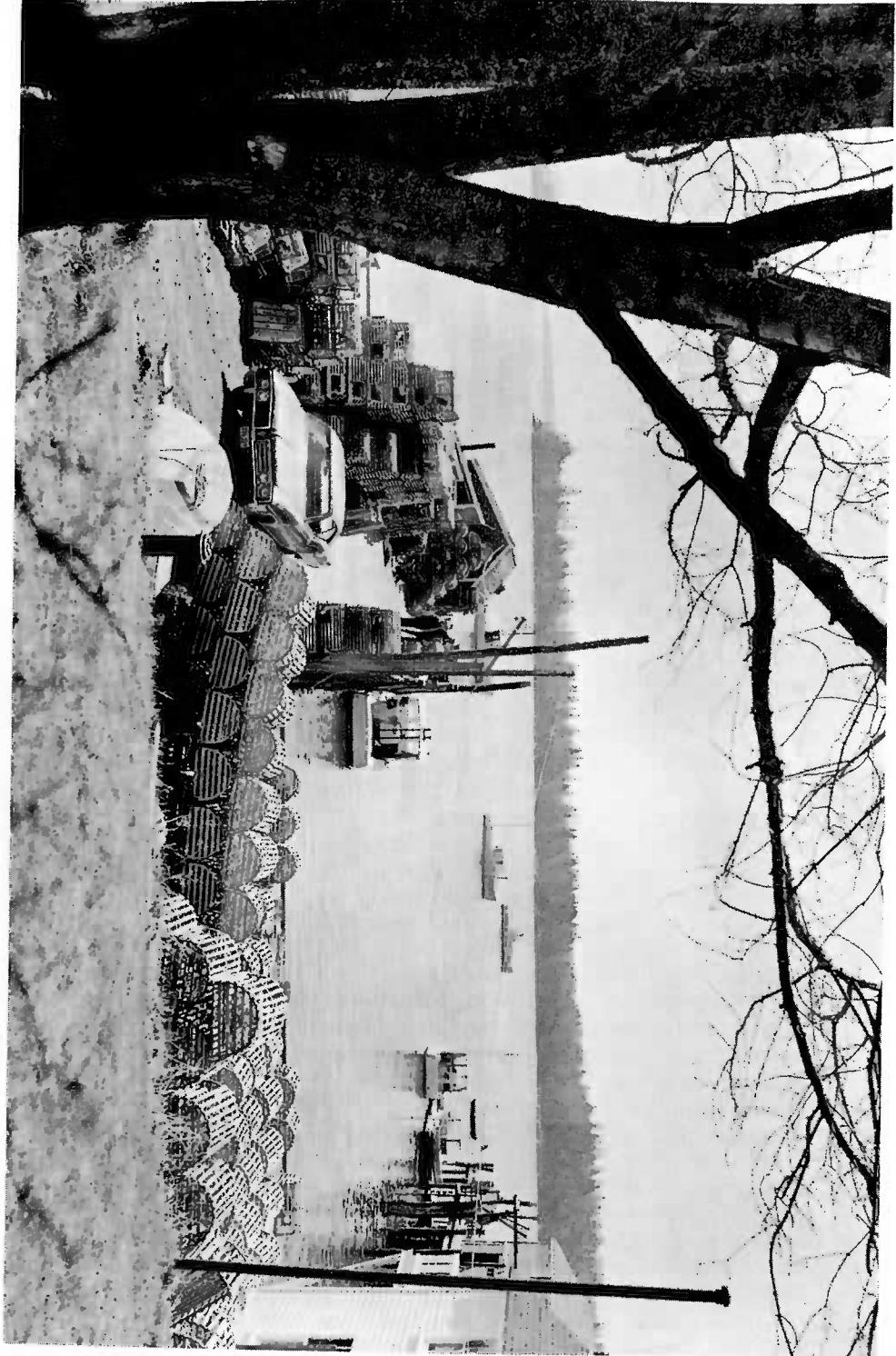
Thus it is with lobster wars, and when they start they rage furiously. The whole pattern of a region, usually so serene and industrious, sloughs off into mayhem, slaughter, and similar unpleasantries. Since a lobster war is never localized, but is watched with close interest by everybody along Maine's twenty-five hundred-mile coastline, Dr. Gruening rightly decided this one should have all-out attention from the *News*. He dispatched his crack reportorial investigator, a real private dick character, and his best writer to Rockland, with a photographer, and before they arrived at this seaport, arrangements had been made by telephone for two charter boats to stand by and attend them. They breasted, boat to boat, down the bay for Matinicus. The trained seals were arriving to perform. Except from a Boston paper, no such talent had ever been deployed to cover a Maine story. And they went efficiently to work. They even bolstered the sticky parts with affidavits, so witnesses wouldn't welch on them. When the story was written and the pictures made, one of the boats returned to Rockland, where an "automobile" was waiting to hurry the stuff to Portland. The reporters and the photographer stayed on Matinicus for the "follow-up."

So it needs, right now, to be explained that the lobster industry makes use of an item called a "car." It is a sort of raft, of plank-and-timber construction which floats nearly awash and has great slatted cages under it where live lobsters may be stored somewhat indefinitely. The purpose of such a car is about the same as that of a pound, a pound usually being a cove sealed off by a dam. So, the *News* reporters told of various depredations to cars, and in Portland the editors carefully corrected this to vehicles, conveyances, coaches, and automobiles. When the story came out it was one of the craziest things you ever saw. The circulation manager, attuned to the editorial purposes, had made arrangements for extra copies of that edition to flood the coastal communities. These were snapped up, and every newstand ordered five hundred more. The lobstermen of Maine never read anything else so funny. At Portland they started up the press and ran off some more. Dr. Gruening tried to analyze this flurry and thought it must be the editorials. There was no telephone on Matinicus in those days, so the reporters had no way of knowing what the office had done with their story until the boat came back. When they did see a copy of that *News*, they sent the boat back to Rockland at once, and in subsequent issues the *News* disregarded Dr. Gruening's style sheet, and even came right out in a headline with "car."

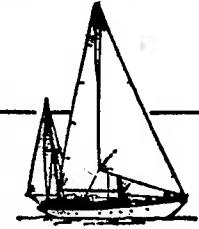
You will still find copies of the *News* of that date tacked up in fish houses along Maine's coast. Faded, tattered, but treasured, that paper is considered the funniest thing ever written. Which is why, long after Dr. Gruening left the State of Maine, an occasional lobster man will get up after supper, shove his feet his boots and say to his wife, "Well, I think before I turn in I'll step down and check the motor vehicle."

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