

Build them like we used to? Sure, but not for \$7,600.

Seven thousand, six hundred dollars. That's how much it cost Mr. R. B. Brown of Milwaukee to have the Burger Boat Company build the 77-foot schooner RANGER back in 1913. That RANGER is still in active service after all these years attests to the quality of Burger Boats. That she recently was offered for sale at \$125,000 tells us a lot more about Burger value.

Here, just for fun, is the original contract entered into by Mr. Brown and the Burger Boat Company back in 1913:

AGREEMENT entered into this sixth day of November, 1913, by and between HENRY B. BURGER, JR., boat builder of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, hereinafter known as Builder, and R. B. BROWN of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, hereinafter known as Owner:

WITNESSETH

The Builder agrees to build for the Owner hull for one schooner yacht about 77' 6" in length x 17' beam and 5' 8" draft, all in accordance with lines, construction plans and details as designed by Bowes & Mower, naval architects of Philadelphia, as called for in specifications herewith and hereby made part of this contract and as directed by the Owner.

Builder will furnish all materials not specified to be furnished by Owner, of the best of their respective kinds, as called for in specifications and shown on plans. Where details are not shown on plans or directed by Owner, Builder will follow first class construction in every respect, and where in doubt as to proper detail to follow, will consult Owner before going ahead with the work.

As required by specifications Builder will furnish to the Owner promptly all necessary templates, patterns and dimensions for those forgings, castings and fittings specified to be furnished by Owner.

All workmanship throughout shall be first class and no slips, mistakes or bad workmanship shall be covered up, and the Builder guarantees that no poor workmanship shall be passed under his inspection whether discovered by Owner or not, and agrees to take out and make good any such defective work whenever or wherever discovered.

Builder undertakes to have his part of the hull work ready for launching not later than April 1st, and if not delayed by machinery or other items to be furnished by Owner, will be prepared to



The RANGER as she appeared shortly after construction.

launch at or before that date, provided the ice is out of the river and the weather is such that the Owner shall be ready to have the hull launched.

Builder's responsibility for hull, including insurance on same, continues until hull is turned over to Owner afloat and accepted by him.

IN CONSIDERATION of the above agreement, the Owner agrees to pay for the said hull complete, as called for on drawings and in specifications hereto attached, the sum of \$4,000.00 which shall be due and payable as follows: Payment this day hereby acknowledged.

On completion of frame ready for planking and delivery of templates for forged floors, keel casting, etc., to the Owner at Milwaukee the sum of \$900.00.

On completion of planking the sum of \$900.00.

On completion of deck, cabin house and rails the sum of \$900.00.

After launching the completed hull and notice from the Builder that he is ready to deliver same to the Owner, the sum of \$900.00.

It is hereby understood and agreed that there shall not be charged for by the Builder, or paid by the Owner any sums in addition to the above for minor changes which may be found necessary in the progress of the work. Considerable alterations, if any should be required, must be agreed on as to price, and effect on delivery, if any, between the Builder and the Owner and ordered in writing by the Owner in order to permit the Builder to make any charge for the same as extras.

H. B. Burger

R. B. Brown



Supervisors Outing

Supervisory personnel of the Burger Boat Yard held their annual steak fry recently. From all reports the outing was a "sizzling" success and everyone looks forward to another pleasant day in the sunshine next year.

New Boats

A new 81-footer is scheduled for delivery in October of this year for a South American yachtsman. In December Mr. Ralph O. Taylor, Jr. will take delivery of his new 72-foot TIGERTAYL. An 86-footer (actually a stretch version of the Burger 81) featuring 900 HP Mercedes engines is also being readied for delivery in July of next year.