

Without any catalogs, any type of ad-

vertising program, it has always been assumed that Dunphy Boats busied themselves with war time production from 1943 through 1946. After Fred Pospeschil had interviewed former employees, we learned that presumption was correct. In 1947 with the war ended, Dunphy once again headed full steam into pleasure boat production.

Dunphy would be on the cutting edge, building a new line of outboard runabouts with molded plywood hulls, a relatively new development stemming from the government's experimentation with mass production of this

popular material. Although the armed services

used the material mostly in the production of aircraft, it lent itself perfectly to the manufacture of boats.

As you remember from the last issue, during the twenties, the large Dunphy imboards were built with mahogany planking. As the boat works wound its way through the depression and the boats got smaller, cedar strip and mahogany strip construction replaced the wide board planking. The

The Muskie is designed with an exceptionally wide beam and transom. flaring sides forward, turtle deck line, wider and more comfortable seats. With plenty of freeboard it is designed especially for sade performance during extreme weather conditions on any body of water. It is roomy, handsome, secure during extreme weather conditions on any body of water. It is roomy, handsome, secure of its recker keel and wide transom it is level riding, practically untiporable, and planes with a minimum of power. Recommended for use with motors from 9 to unlimited horspower.

SPECIFICATIONS

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Strip construction Muskie for 1942.

The Sand Dab, one of America's most popular outboard runabouts, is similar in design and construction to its bigger brother, the Muskie, and is built to take you wherever you want to go. It has roominess and rugged seaworthiness combined with the beauty of flaring bows, turtle deck line and handsome trimmings. Because of its rocker keel and planes with a minimum of power. Full length spray rails not only add to its stability when banking around curves but reduce spray to a minimum. Recommended for use with motors from 9 to

unlimited horsepower.

1942 Sand Dab Deluxe. I like the idea of "unlimimited horsepower".

new molded plywood hulls had numerous advantages over striptype construction.

The new hulls were smooth on the inside with a clean, uncluttered look. The strength of the veneers bent into compound curves was enough to resist the bending and torque placed on it by the heavy, powerful outboards that were in production at the time. The truly amazing thing about these hulls was an incredibly light weight hull with the strength of a much heavier boat.

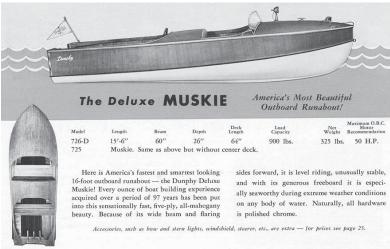
They required no soak-up to swell the strips together like the cedar boats did. Nor did they

add the extra water weight as a result of this

"soaking-up". The one thing that was more difficult was repairing a hole or a spot that had worn through.

At the same time that molded plywood was coming into vogue, fiberglass and plastic boats were entering the market, as were aluminum, stainless steel, and magnesium hulled boats.

Dunphy had made the commitment to molded plywood. They threw the whole thing into it. The cedar strip process slowly disappeared from their lineup. The boats became more deluxe in both finish and by the hardware visible on the decks and around the cockpit. This was a time when boat manufacturers were just beginning to install these pieces at the factory. Before this,



Molded plywood Muskie for 1950.

it was done by the dealers, and whatever the hardware line that the dealers carried went on the boat. Ever wonder why it's so confusing to know just what the correct hardware is on boats of this period? It could be almost anything and still be correct. It varies widely between the manufacturers and when they began to install these items at the factory.

By 1954 they were celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Dunphy Boats and the cedar strip boats were down to a couple of fishing boats. The rich mahogany molded plywood of the Dunphy runabouts was at its peak. So was the rest of the molded mahogany runabout market. Several other makes were also building similar boats.

Industrial Shipping of Mahane Bay, Nova Scotia was selling molded plywood hulls to other manufacturers who only had to add decks, transoms, and interiors and they were

## FEATURES OF DUNPHY MOLDED PLYWOOD CONSTRUCTION

The Dunphy 5-ply boat, built of full 1/16" thickness mahogany veneers, is veritably five hulls in one, bonded together with waterproof plastic under heat and pressure. The result is a perfectly contoured hull — seamless, light and extremely strong, Molded into one piece, the hull resists distortion and provides dimensional stability and uniform strength throughout the boat. All superfluous weight is eliminated in the finished product. Every Dunphy Molded Plywood hull is all

mahogany, the world's finest wood for boats. All stems, keels, gunwales, etc. are treated with "Woodlife", a chlorinated phenol which prevents undue shrinking, swelling and checking, and also rot-proofs these parts. Because of long experience and the most modern equipment, Dunphy produces a superior Molded Plywood boat, proven during production, and thoroughly water tested for performance. All long decks are molded mahogany plywood.



#### FIVE HULLS IN ONE

- The inner ply, or the first hull, is shaped to the form and securely stapled in place at right angles to the length of the boat.
- The second hull is another ply at a 45° angle to the first ply.
- 3-4 Hull number three crisscrosses the second ply at a 90° angle as does the fourth ply to the third.
- The outside, or fifth hull, is again fastened the same as the first.

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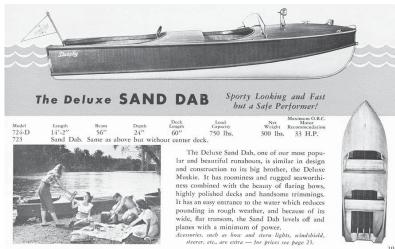
All plys are full length, from gunwale to gunwale, making an arch with no butt joints in the entire hull, except where the plys meet the inner stem and where they interlock.

#### This is how it was done.

in business. Industrial Shipping had hired Dick Cole, Naval Architect to travel the country designing hulls especially for these manufacturers and they would build the hulls in Canada and ship them out.

By the late 50's fiberglass was easily taking over the market. The idea of less maintenance was usually the deciding factor in this swing to a new product. Plastic had proven itself superior from an efficiency standpoint. While lacking the beautiful luster of mahogany, the styling elements that the plastic enabled the builders to produce led the trends in the market. Management at Dunphy Boats resisted

the change to this new material in building its hulls, some say causing the demise of a one time leader in its market.



The Sand Dab not only has a new construction type in 1950, it has become more deluxe.

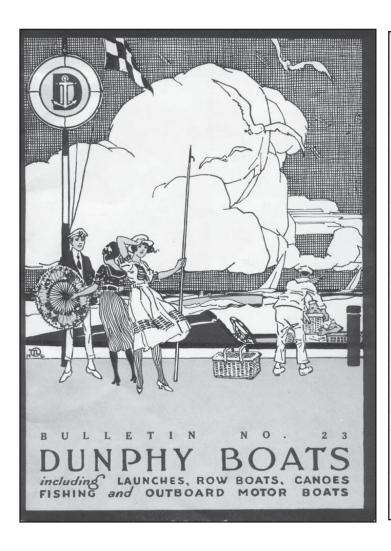
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In 1923, the Dunphy Boat Manufacturing Company were producing a complete line of boats, from the usual fishing boats for the local trade all the way to fast and powerful racers with engines up to 450 hp. Once again,

I'll let the Dunphy catalog speak for itself on their accomplishments, but know that 1923 was also a busy year politically and historically. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was formed as the year began and at home the transcontinental airmail service was begun. Time magazine made its debut and The Firestone Tire Company put their inflatable tires into production. Yankee Stadium

opened to a cheering crowd of 74,000 fans. If that wasn't enough, Frank Silver and Irving Conn released their great hit, "Yes, We Have No Bananas." And all the while Dunphy was cranking out the production of a great line of sturdy "first class" boats.





with them the fishermen. Not men
who fished for sport, but men who
used their boats day after day for
a livelihood. Men who knew
boats, and loved boats, and lived
in boats—men who used Dunphy's
Anchor D's.

With the progress of settlement in this land of lakes and rivers came the inevitable demand for strong, light canoes, rowboats and launches. Time after time, opportunity offered for the Dunphy



# Dunphy Boat Manufacturing Co.

Builders of Outboard Motor Boats. Launches, Rowboats, Canoes and Hunting Boats





Company to "pick up help" and start boat building on a "quantity production basis" —quality boats to sell. And time after time the "quality production basis" held its own. Every launch, every canoe, every rowboat was just as carefully made its own. as the old batteaux or the fishers' boats.

Now and then, some boat lover heard of the empany that took such pride in its handicraft and deliberately ordered a special design for his personal use. Occasionally a racer was turned out—perhaps a 450 horse-power speedster. Passenger boats

were built for use in the Wisconsin Dells at Kilbourne. Light house-boats for the Great Lakes.

During the War, the organization turned its attention to Mine Yawls and Launches for the United States Government, shipping them to every seaport in the United States.

Through it all, one phrase has been the watchword for Anchor D—quality production. Workmen are trained and developed to carry on the ideals of the founder—under the direction of men who have spent their lives at boat building.

### How Anchor "Ds" Are Made

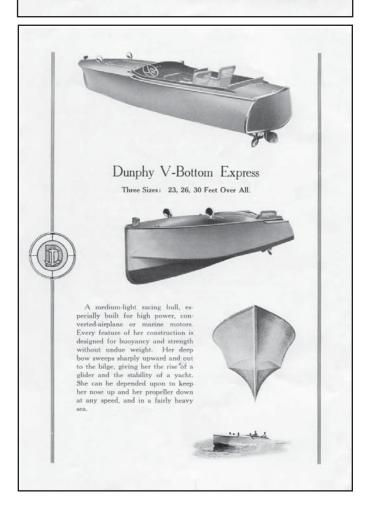
It is worth a great deal to have this experience and care behind your boat's design and construction. You know you are not buying an experiment.

And there is more than experience and care behind every Dunphy. The very best materials, the latest, improved methods and equipment are used. Every Dunphy boat is built over a solid form. Thus, each boat conforms exactly to the correct proportions—is true in each detail of line. Solid form construction also produces stronger, more substantial boats.

Electric and air driven chinery lower costs and enable us to give you greater value. Compres-sed air is used for painting and spar-varnishing—giv-ing a smoother, tighter, longer-lasting finish than brush work.

None but the best of materials is used. Cedar is Port Orford White, the





gest known, or the best of Northern Wisconsin stock "Highest grade only" is specified when we purchase cypress and white oak, or spruce for canoes. Before a single piece of any wood goes into a boat's construction, it is hand inspected throughout. It must be all clear.

All fastenings are of non-rusting metals—either copper or brass. Fittings are heavily galvanized or heavily nickeled. All castings are made from our own metallurgical formulas to rigid specifications. Paints, too, are made to our order and mixed to our special marine formulas. The varnish used is the famous Valspar, instead of cheaper spar varnishes with which boats are

#### How Do People Buy Boats?

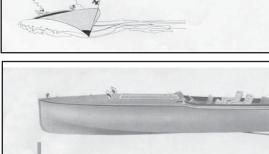
Many times we have heard the argument that there is Many times we have heard the argument that there is no necessity for such care in boat building. Oftentimes, we are told, the boat purchaser is an enthusiastic novice who lets a flash of varnish and nickel take his eye, just as the purchaser of automobiles did some few years ago. About all he looks at is the design of the hull.

Perhaps many people buy boats in this fashion. But they don't Perhaps many people buy boats in this rashion. Dut they don't buy cars that way any more—and we predict that they will not buy boats that way long. There is little pleasure in boating just because the boat "looks all right." Each Dunphy is built as carefully as if it were for our own use, and it is GUARANTEED TO BE FIRST CLASS IN EVERY RESPECT.

In the following pages of this catalog you will find descriptions and illustrations of most of the types of boats we manufacture.

If there is any type you are interested in which you do not find, please do not hesitate to write us-we have been making boats of all kinds to owners' specification for years and are competent to work out your ideas in a practical and satisfactory manner.

(Signed) JAMES LARSEN, President, The Dunphy Boat Manufacturing Co., Eau Claire, Wisconsin.



#### SPECIFICATIONS.

Keel, stem, stern-post and frames are made from best air-dried white oak. Planking of clear, selected white cedar. Transom, fender rails, coaming, covering boards and interior of cockpit in best Honduras Mahogany with three coats of Valspar. Decks of clear, narrow laid white pine; black marine-glued seams; finished natural with three coats of Valspar. Outside of hull in special white enamel above and copper bottom paint below

FITTINGS: Electric starter, running lights and horn; two built-in ser forward and wide stern seat, upholstered backs and cushions; two wicker chairs; linoleum floor; auto steering wheel; reverse gear; nickeled deck trimmings; brass cut-water; brass transom corners; steel rudder Complete to last detail and GUARANTEED to be in order when received.

#### DIMENSIONS AND PRICES.

Prices F. O. B. Eau Claire—War Tax Extra.

#### THE FORWARD COCKPIT.

The forward cockpit is not included with the regular equipment. It will be included in specifications for \$75.00 additional, including neatly upholstered seat and back.

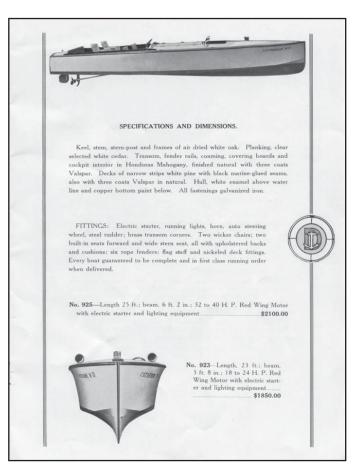






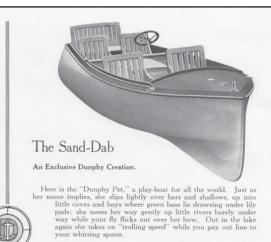












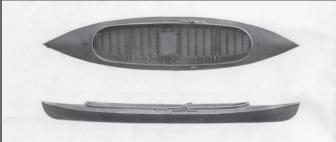
Sport! All the family will love the Sand-Dab. In the shal-lows along the sandy beach children laugh and shout as they aquaplane behind her.

Comfortable and safe; ample power and speed. Always ready for the little trips to the hard-to-get-at places where the scenery and fishing are best. Handy! Beach her if you wish, her propeller is protected. Land anywhere. Handles eight if need be and makes twelve miles an hour easily. Ideal family launch or tender.

The great buoyancy and tunnel stern of this beautiful little V-bottom boat makes it possible to run her in 10 inches of water. Note how the sweep of the keel forward protects her propeller.

Copper and brass fastened for either salt or fresh water. Size makes it possible to ship the Sand-Dab anywhere at actual-weight freight rates.





# Dunphy Still Hunter

Bottom and planking is made from selected cedar or white pine. Thickness of bottom  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., planking  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., which consists of four strakes on each side. Ribs are  $\frac{5}{16}$ x7/8 in., spaced 6 in. center, securely fastened through bottom and planking with cloud

In connection with the bent ribs, each boat is provided with three sawed oak frames  $\frac{1}{2}$ [ $\frac{1}{8}$ x in. Decks and covering boards are of  $\frac{1}{2}$ 6 in. selected cedar. Coaming is of selected oak extending 3 in. above the decks. Each boat is provided with a galvanized anchor tube through each deck.

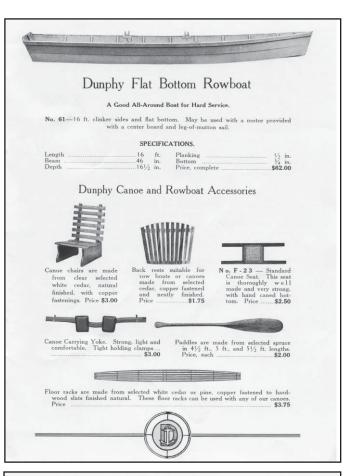
Fittings consist of one pair of 6 foot oars, one push paddle, oar-locks, and one seat.

#### Made in Two Sizes.

No. 45-Length, 12 ft.; beam, 34 in.; length of cockpit, 6 ft. 6 in.; weight, 70 lbs.

No. 46-Length, 14 ft.; beam, 34 in.; length of cockpit, 8 ft. 6 in.; weight, 90 lbs.





# Ordering a Dunphy



can be shipped promptly. It will arrive in assembled form ready for the water and guaran-teed to be in perfect running order—first class in every respect.

Each boat illustrated in this catalog is carried in stock and

#### Cruisers:

We have stock designs, working patterns and forms for 26, 36 and 40 foot cruisers and can make delivery in 60 to 90 days.

#### Special Models:

If the boats shown fail to meet exactly your requirements, special designs will be submitted for your approval. Simply outline your ideas and the specifications you desire. We have built many launches for particular purchasers who admired the sturdiness of the Anchor "D" Line, but who wanted a special purpose boat, or a certain individual design.

Any Dunphy launch can be bought without the motor or other equipment, and any type hull will be built to order. If you have a special motor for which you would like a hull designed, consult us.

All prices quoted in this catalog are net and subject to change without notice. We request 25% of the purchase price with order and the remainder on draft will bill of lading attached.

All boats are carefully crated and delivered free on board cars at Eau Claire Be sure to specify exactly the accessories and equipment you desire.

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