



Sun Ship Historical Society's Ship's History Page

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Subj: Tug *Wicomico*

Hull No: 093

SSHS No: 500_093

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Note 1: While due diligence has been applied in the research of this information, responsibility for any errors is the ultimate responsibility of the end-user.

Note 2: Information has been obtained from various sources to enhance the history of Sun Ship and where possible, sources have been identified

Note 3: Text added by SSHS to the review will be bordered with paratheses

Note 4: A series of three 'periods', before or after transcribed text indicates that not all the text was transcribed to the review.

"Any work of history is necessarily a joint venture"
Author Unknown

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1. Ship's Record:

Sun Ship Data & Others

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| Contract Date: | Pending |
| Keel Laying Date: | 1925.11.16 ³ |
| Shipway: | C.Y-8 ³ |
| Keel Laid: | 1925.11.16 |
| Launch Date: | 1926.02.17 ³ |
| Delivery: | 1926.02.24 ³ |
| L-B-D: | 116'0"-24'0"-13'8" ³ |
| DWT: | Pending |
| Tons: | Pending |
| Ship Type: | Towboat ⁴ |
| Propulsion: | 2-Winton 6-cyl. Diesel ⁴ 2-Westinghouse Gen. ⁴ 2-Westinghouse Motors ⁴ |
| Boilers(s): | N/A |
| Propeller(s): | 1-diameter 9'6" ⁴ |
| HP: | 575 ⁴ |
| Speed-Knots: | 13.2 ⁴ |
| Complement: | Pending |
| Sponsor: | Pending |
| Owner(s): | P.R.R. ³ |

Shipway Designations:

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| SY: | South Yard 9 thru 12 |
| CY: | Central Yard 1 thru 8 |
| NY: | North Yard 13 thru 20 |
| 4Y: | No.4 Yard 21 thru 28 |

Ship's Ownership Transition

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|--------------|---------|
| Transition: | Pending |
| Disposition: | Pending |

2. History:

Sources:
1-Independence Seaport Museum
2-Mariner's Museum, Newport News, VA
3-SSHS
4-ISM/Motorship Publication

4. Photos:

4.1: Stern view of towboat on No.8 Shipway
C: 1926.02
(SS-P-026, Courtesy of ISM)



4.2: view of towboat on No.8 Shipway
C: 1926.02
(SS-P-027, Courtesy of ISM)

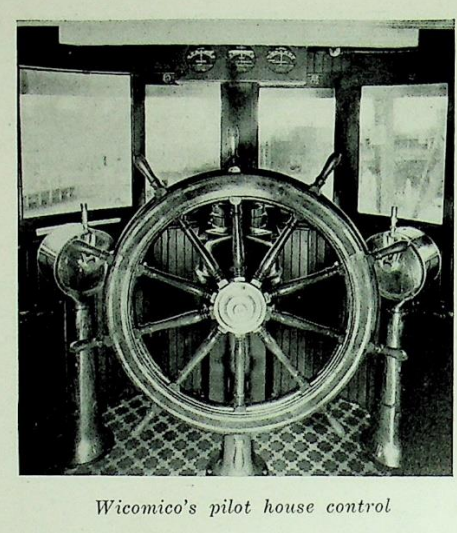


4.3: 454_88_2609_674ra, C: 1926.02
(Courtesy ISM/Motorship Publication)



Wicomico tug tow a 324 ft. net boat loaded with 50 freight cars, her main motor developing 525 h.p. at 125 r.p.m.

4.4: 454_88_2609_674ra (Courtesy ISM/
Motorship Publication)



Wicomico's pilot house control

4.5: 500_093_02² (Courtesy of Mariner's Museum)



WICOMICO flies two PRR flags steaming on the Hudson River. This tug also served both the NYC and C&O railroads.
(courtesy of The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, Va.)