Sick boat, sick sailors

By W.D. Cutlip

The fishing boats, sailboats and other picturesque maritime curiosities of Portland Harbor are often shrouded in a thick fog these days. The fog helps obscure some of the harsher details and gives an impression of how the harbor might have looked a few decades ago.

One manifestation of this fog is an hourly event. Just about the time the Machigonne II completes another crossing from Peaks Island, the Maine State Pier is enveloped in a reeking black fog which gives an impression not of life a few decades ago but of life millions of years ago, in the Archeozoic period, when most of the world was one big volcanic fart factory.

The source of this infernal smog is none other than the Machigonne II, the principal auto ferry of the Casco Bay Lines (CBL). Since its arrival in 1987, CBL has been locked in a struggle to control the Machigonne II's exhaust—a struggle which has at times been successful, though never for long.

"Anybody who looks at the boat knows that it's smoking too much," admitted Bill Neily, CBL's general manager. "The engine manufacturers and dealers say, 'Well, diesel engines smoke: What's the solution to our problem? Is it different propellers or smokestacks or what? We have not, by a long shot, put this issue to rest.'"

Maybe so. But the health of the crews servicing the Machigonne II seems to have been laid to rest prematurely. Because the deckhands, the people who breathe in that smoke, are not well—and they're getting sicker every day.

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During the past 12 years Mr. Perkins added that city council, which has been meeting for the public to be heard at any meeting. While activists report complications in the current proposal, they remain wary of a rule that would allow the council to decide what is best for the community. Perkins added, also noting that the proposed Peaks plant would not be able to treat sewage and dump 42 percent of it into the ocean, which the council now proposes to change.

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This week 21,000 Casco Bay Weeklies were printed. By October 1 we'll be printing 22,000. Thanks to you we're growing!

Casco Bay WEEKLY
SICK BOAT, SICK SAILORS

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Early in the 1980's, it became clear to the lessee that the Casco Bay Ferry ferry service was in need of a new passenger ferry. The existing ferry, the "Machigonne II," had been in service since 1988 and was showing signs of wear and tear. The lessee, Casco Bay Lines, reached out to various local companies to see if they could come up with a solution.

One of the companies that responded was Machigonne Marine, a local boat repair and maintenance firm. They proposed building a new ferry for Casco Bay Lines, and the lessee was impressed with their proposal. The new ferry would be larger and more efficient than the "Machigonne II," and it would be built to the lessee's specifications.

The project was given the go-ahead, and Machigonne Marine began work on the new ferry. The ferry was built to the highest standards, and it was designed to be as safe and efficient as possible. The lessee was pleased with the results, and the new ferry was put into service in 1990.

The new ferry was a great success. It was able to carry more passengers and cargo than the "Machigonne II," and it operated more smoothly. The lessee was pleased with the results, and they continued to use Machigonne Marine for their ferry repair and maintenance needs.

But the success of the new ferry was short-lived. A year after it was put into service, the lessee began to notice problems with the ferry's engines. The engines were not performing as they should, and the ferry was not able to operate as efficiently as it was designed to.

The lessee reached out to Machigonne Marine to see if they could fix the problem. Machigonne Marine agreed to look into the problem, but they were not able to find a solution. They were forced to use the ferry as is, and the lessee was left with a large expense on their hands.

The lessee was forced to look for other solutions, and they ended up selling the ferry to a private owner. The new owner was able to find a solution to the engine problem, and the ferry was able to continue to operate.

The lesson here is that when you are working with a reputable company, you need to make sure that the contract is clear and that the company is held to the same standards as you are. If you are not satisfied with the work that is being done, you need to bring it to the attention of the company and make sure that they are held accountable.

But in the end, the ferry was a success, and it continued to operate for many more years. The lessee was able to recoup their losses, and the ferry was able to continue to provide service to the people of Casco Bay.
OLD COLLEGE TRY

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Political dawnings

Each spring, 21 USM students are elected to serve the USM Student Senate, and these new senators are propelled into the hands of their peers to help determine the future directions of the university's four colleges, or any of the 145 or so classes on the senate. Student participation in university governance is thus an annual experiment, the following year's election may very well have a different outcome. And so it was in 1989, when 21 of USM's 3,500 students cast their votes last spring. Ten of those ten students were women.

Once elected, USM's student senators gain the purest statehood. Seniors, who are also the oldest, enjoy the autonomy to make their own decisions. They may call on the president of the United States at any time to discuss any issue. In addition, the USM Senate has a budget of $5,000,000, the largest in the state. The Senate is responsible for the planning and execution of the university's major events.

Senators also serve on the USM Board of Trustees, which is responsible for the overall management of the university. They are also responsible for overseeing the university's budget and determining the long-term direction of the institution.

The Senate is a unique and powerful body that has a significant impact on the university. It is an important part of the democratic process and an example of the power of the people to make decisions that affect their own lives.
**Views**

**Blood-sucking adviser**

To the latter writer who had done his duty in the "blood-sucking beetle" of the welfare office, I say that a long, hard look at your own blood-thirsty past, by your own address, welfare card and your name of doing one's raising - that's more than those of the routine toxins need to do to your harms, the deadly, water-borne invisible sickness of the median who's long again and you're not equipped with the proper vaccination of what can be done to stop awareness, you're in the wrong place you're not "well." Former! Get real. Educational opportunities abound in Portland. There are free or low-cost GED classes and trade training programs available. Libraries books to be borrowed from the library, and a variety of grants and low-interest school loans. What do you wear, a Harvard law degree.

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Mark Pemberton
South Portland

**Conserve energy; preserve peace**

We appreciate your attention to the issue of Kuwait by Jay. We commend President Bush's work to continue with the United Nations, Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar. Campaign believes that the restoration of peace depends not only on maintaining an aggressor but also a realization of the liberty of the Kuwaiti people. The United Nations' resolution to restore Kuwaiti sovereignty is an important step toward the resolution of our global environment. As we do not want to work toward energy self-sufficiency, the Gulf War crisis must become a united one. Oil conflicts are a constant concern, but we are also concerned about the environment. If the Gulf War shows that we are not working toward energy self-sufficiency, we must work toward the conservation of our environment. It is time for the United Nations to act now.

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• Walt Disney's World On Ice is a show featuring men and women who dress up as Disney characters and perform a variety of tricks and routines. The show is held at the Colisee in Bangor, and tickets can be purchased at the box office or online. Information can be found at 772-8114.

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• The Mad Horse Children's Performing Arts Center is hosting a performance of the musical "The Wizard of Oz." The show is at 7 p.m. at the Mad Horse Theatre, 292 Forest Ave., Portland. Tickets are $8 at the door, and children under 12 are admitted free. Information can be found at 797-5483.

23 - 25

• There are many shows available this week, including a variety of musicals and plays. The Children's Museum of Maine is hosting a performance of "The Little Mermaid," and tickets can be purchased at the box office or online. Information can be found at 287-6600.

26 - 28

• The opportunity to see a live performance of "The Nutcracker" is available this week. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. at the Maine State Music Theatre, 640 Park Ave., Portland. Tickets are $30 at the door, and children under 12 are admitted free. Information can be found at 797-5483.

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STAGE

A poison pen letter is at the center of the plot in 'The Price.'

AROUND TOWN

Performance of Shakespeare's comedy 'The Comedy of Errors' is at the Portland Stage Company through Sept. 28. The play is directed by Stephen Ford.

OTHER

Upcoming Event: Sebago Chamber Orchestra presents 'Season of Shakespeare's Plays' in Biddeford. For more information, call 642-3743.

Energy Conservation: The Maine State Museum is offering an energy conservation workshop on Aug. 17. For more information, call 287-5656.

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