

The Lake Torpedo Boat Company

Incorporated June, 1901

Designers and Builders of
Submarine Torpedo Boats

OFFICES { 11 Broadway, New York City
925 Main St., Bridgeport, Conn.

Sept 12, 1901

Mr. G. B. Wheeler

Dear Sir.

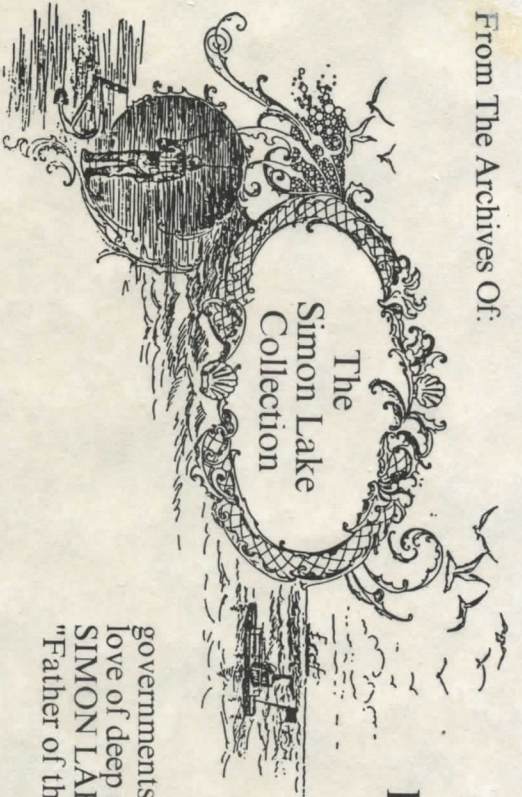
Replying to your letter of 16th
in reference to position as typewriter
& Bookkeeper.

If convenient you may call at our
office to-morrow morning at 8.30 A.M.
in reference to same

Yours truly

The Lake Torpedo Boat
Simon Lake Pres

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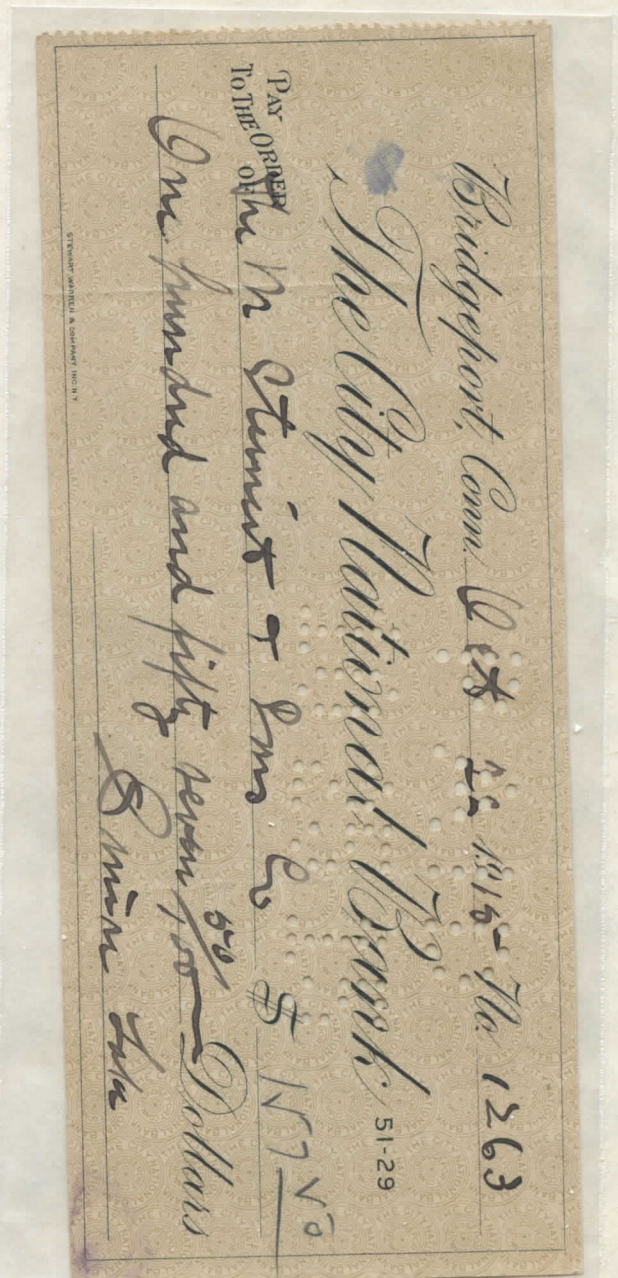
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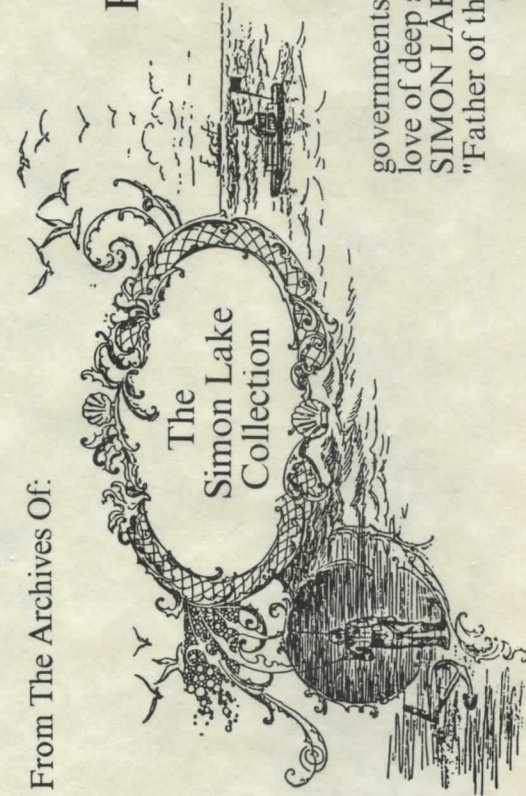
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MILFORD, CONN. Feb 14 1937 No. 351

THE MILFORD TRUST COMPANY 51-293

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Milford Trust Co. \$242⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Two hundred and forty two and 00/100 DOLLARS

The Lake Submarine Salvage Co.
Simon Lake Inc.

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Incorporated under the Laws

of the State of Maine

The Lake Torpedo Boat Company

CAPITAL STOCK \$5,000,000.

First Preferred Stock \$1,000,000.

Common Stock \$2,800,000.

This Certifies that

De Kaser & Townsend

is the owner of

ONE HUNDRED

shares of Ten Dollars (\$10) each, in the Common Capital Stock of The Lake Torpedo Boat Company, fully paid and non-assessable, transferable only on the books of the Corporation, in person or by attorney, upon surrender of this certificate properly endorsed.



The Common Stock, represented by its certificate, shall be and is entitled to an annual dividend of not to exceed ten (10%) per cent when and after the first preferred stock has received a dividend of seven (7%) per cent in dividend and when and after the second preferred stock has received a dividend of seven (7%) per cent in dividend. When and after the first preferred stock has received a dividend of seven (7%) per cent in dividend, the common stock shall participate equally with the first preferred stock and with the second preferred stock in any dividend that may be declared, in that event. On liquidation of the Company, after the first preferred stock has received its accrued dividends and has received payment of its par value of Ten (\$10) Dollars per share and after the second preferred stock has received its accrued dividends and has received payment of its par value of Ten (\$10) Dollars per share, the common stock shall receive payment of its par value of Ten (\$10) Dollars per share from the assets of the Company before anything is paid additionally to the first preferred stock and the second preferred stock. When and after the first preferred stock and the second preferred stock have received their accrued dividends and payment of their par value at par per share and the common stock has received payment of value at par per share, each class shall participate equally in the liquidation of the Company in any assets that may remain available for such purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized officers of the Corporation have hereunto subscribed their names and caused the corporate seal to be hereto affixed

at Bridgeport, Conn. this 7th day of May, A. D. 1920

[Signature]

ASSISTANT TREASURER

[Signature]

PRESIDENT

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NOTICE: THE SIGNATURE OF THIS ASSIGNMENT
MUST CORRESPOND WITH THE NAME AS WRITTEN UPON THE
FACE OF THE CERTIFICATE, IN EVERY PARTICULAR, WITHOUT
ALTERATION OR ENLARGEMENT OR ANY CHANGE WHATSOEVER.

For Value Received,
I hereby sell, assign and transfer
into
Shares of the Capital Stock represented by the within
Certificate, and do hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint
to transfer the said Stock on the books of the within named
Corporation with full power of substitution in the premises.
Dated *Feb 26 1925*
In presence of *W. M. M. M. M. M.*

CERTIFICATE

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OF THE
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The Lake Torpedo Boat
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DATED

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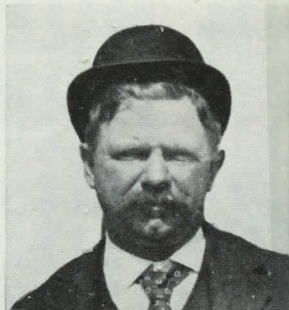
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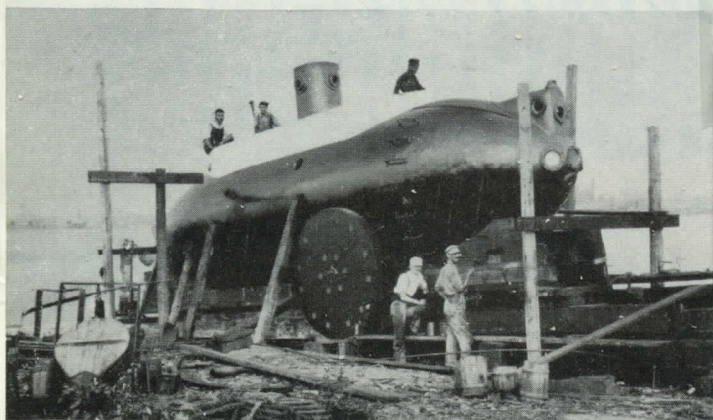
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Holland's Chief Rival



Simon Lake, inventor of
the submarine Argonaut.



The Argonaut, launched in 1897 for commercial
use, had wheels and a diver's compartment to
facilitate underwater exploration and salvage.

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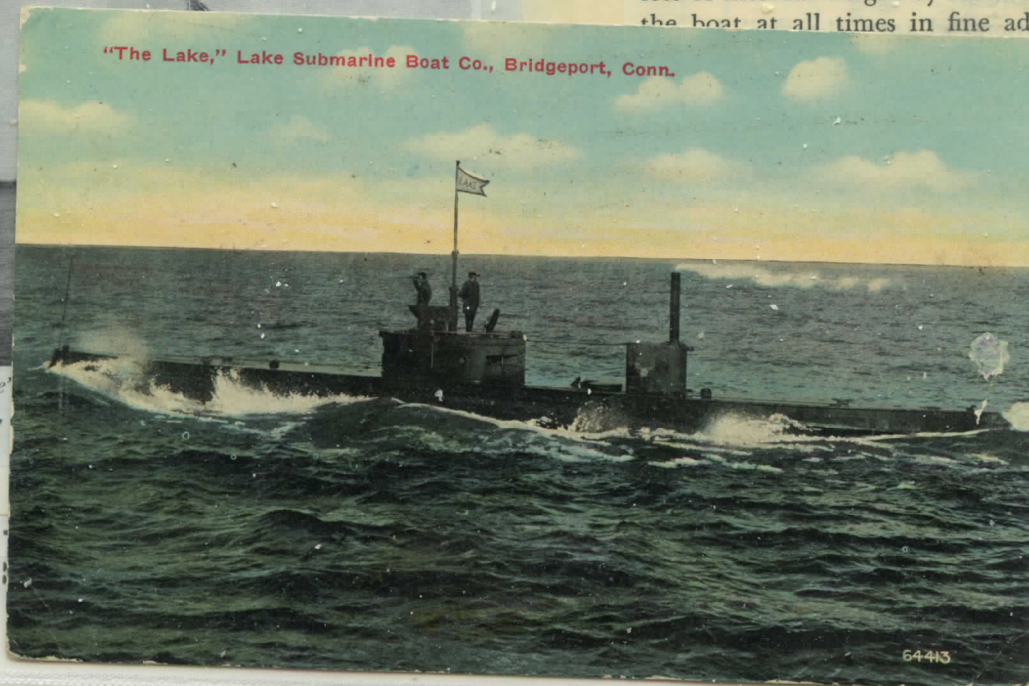
RICHARD K. MURRAY

Peral had been launched in 1888. In this country, Congress was becoming aroused, and the submarine was becoming a public issue. Simon Lake had begun to experiment with a submarine, designed for underwater salvage work, which submerged on an even keel instead of diving, and Tuck had also produced an experimental craft. In 1893 there was another competition. Again Holland won. At last, in 1895, the Navy signed its first submarine contract, for \$150,000. The contractor: the John P. Holland Torpedo Boat Company, formed by Holland and a young lawyer named Elihu B. Frost.

Nevertheless, he had built soundly. The little *Holland* set a high standard for the future, and her basic mechanisms and principles were carried over into the submarines of every navy. Unlike the important early submarines of Lake and Nordenfeldt, with their "even keel" method of submerging, the *Holland* dove like a porpoise. She maintained a "reserve buoyancy" and was forced or steered underwater, while in motion, by her stern diving rudders and propeller. An immovable center of gravity, along with compensation for any loss of internal weight by use of trimming tanks, kept the boat at all times in fine adjustment of balance.

first submarine to
internal-combustion
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"The Lake," Lake Submarine Boat Co., Bridgeport, Conn.



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