

PART III -- A FANTASTIC SCHEME

Chapter 8 - The Wind-Ships Have Had It

Movement in San Diego for a maritime museum. Shopping for ships -- and money. James Wood Coffroth "raises" \$9,000. Purchase of *Star of India*; no money to tow her to San Diego. Capt. "Sweetheart Jack" Brunnick to the rescue; the Navy lends a hand, and gets into trouble; the "sail-sale" to pay the bill.

Chapter 9 -- Showboat Days

Nothing for maintenance; paint, etc., supplied by "The Forty Thieves". Production of "Pinafore" and the \$4.85 profit. Proposal for use as a Naval Reserve armory. The Chamber of Commerce's committee, and its fantastic report.

Chapter 10 -- Ship of Ill-Fame

Various caretakers. Fantastic tales of her past. Things begin to disappear. "Planned Entertainment" -- and who opened that sea-cook? Night-life aboard an abandoned ship. A visit from Detective Sergeant Shea of the Vice Squad -- and his grim ultimatum to the owners.

Chapter 11 -- Old Lady Down On Her Luck

Ordeal by the WPA; cleaning woodwork with chipping-hammers, and "paying" deck seams with a swab. Suggested use as a target for the Navy bombers; World War II; a zealous patriot, and she is almost sold for scrap; the "friendly" marine surveyor. Rigging too high for low-flying planes. Dismantled by the Navy's "riggers"; the unnecessary damage.

PART IV -- UP FROM SKID ROW

Chapter 12 -- "She's a Bit of a Mess"

From bad to worse. Renewed attempts to have her towed to sea and scuttled. Letters to the Editor from the lunatic fringe -- "a drain on the taxpayers." Alan Villiers' visit, and his caustic remarks; the newspapers pick it up. The premature publicity campaign, and how it paid off. A basic plan at last, at Broadway Pier. Karl Kortum's first visit; "... a tea-party on a sinking ship!"

Chapter 13 -- WILL THE BOTTOM FALL OUT -- OR IN?

Decision to drydock her after 36 years, and see if she is worth saving. Generosity of shipyard, tug people, contractors. Taking out the ballast, with a Coast Guard aviator in charge. Her vanishing stability; "poco no mucho"; the overdue inclining test. Drydocked at last. Up before Congress again, this time to get \$23,000. The bill dies with Congress.

Chapter 14 -- Hands Across The Sea

Technical help from San Francisco; the happy surveyor, and the controversy over ballast, with its six-month delay. Advice from maritime authorities; historical detective work; a reconstruction plan, in detail, develops. Mortgaged.

Chapter 15 -- Willing Workers

The fund-raising campaign, and work begins. Volunteer workers. The *Galley* Press and its documentary film; berthed at the foot of the main street; conclusion.

