

May 27, 1959

Dear Charlie:

You will be interested to know that on Monday, May 25, 1959, the committee appointed by you to consider the feasibility of establishing a Maritime Museum, held a meeting with Admiral Hartman and John Bates.

The conclusion reached was: that it is the desire of the committee to work very closely with the Maritime Museum Association (formerly San Diego Aquarium Society), in their proposed program for recommissioning of the STAR OF INDIA. When this is complete, it was felt that room could be made available for the starting of a museum on the ship.

As the collection grows, it is John Bates' desire to make space available on the Broadway Pier, which could be expanded from time to time as needed.

Admiral Hartman seemed very much in accord with this program and has offered to help us in every way possible to collect ships' models and other maritime treasures that would be of interest to the general public.

Unless I hear differently, I will assume that this program meets with your approval and we will continue to work very closely with the Maritime Museum Association.

Respectfully yours,

JEJ/gg

Joseph E. Jessop

The Honorable Charles C. Dail
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