

Old Town

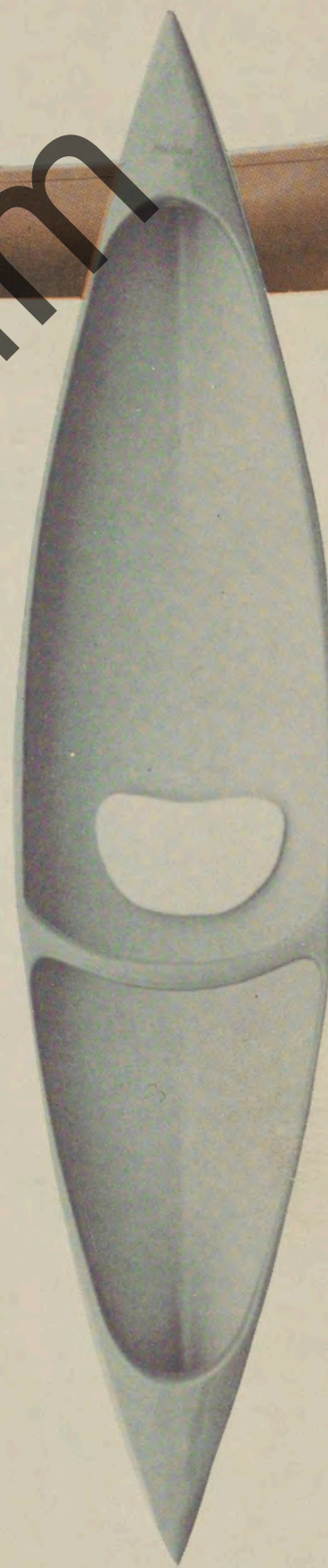
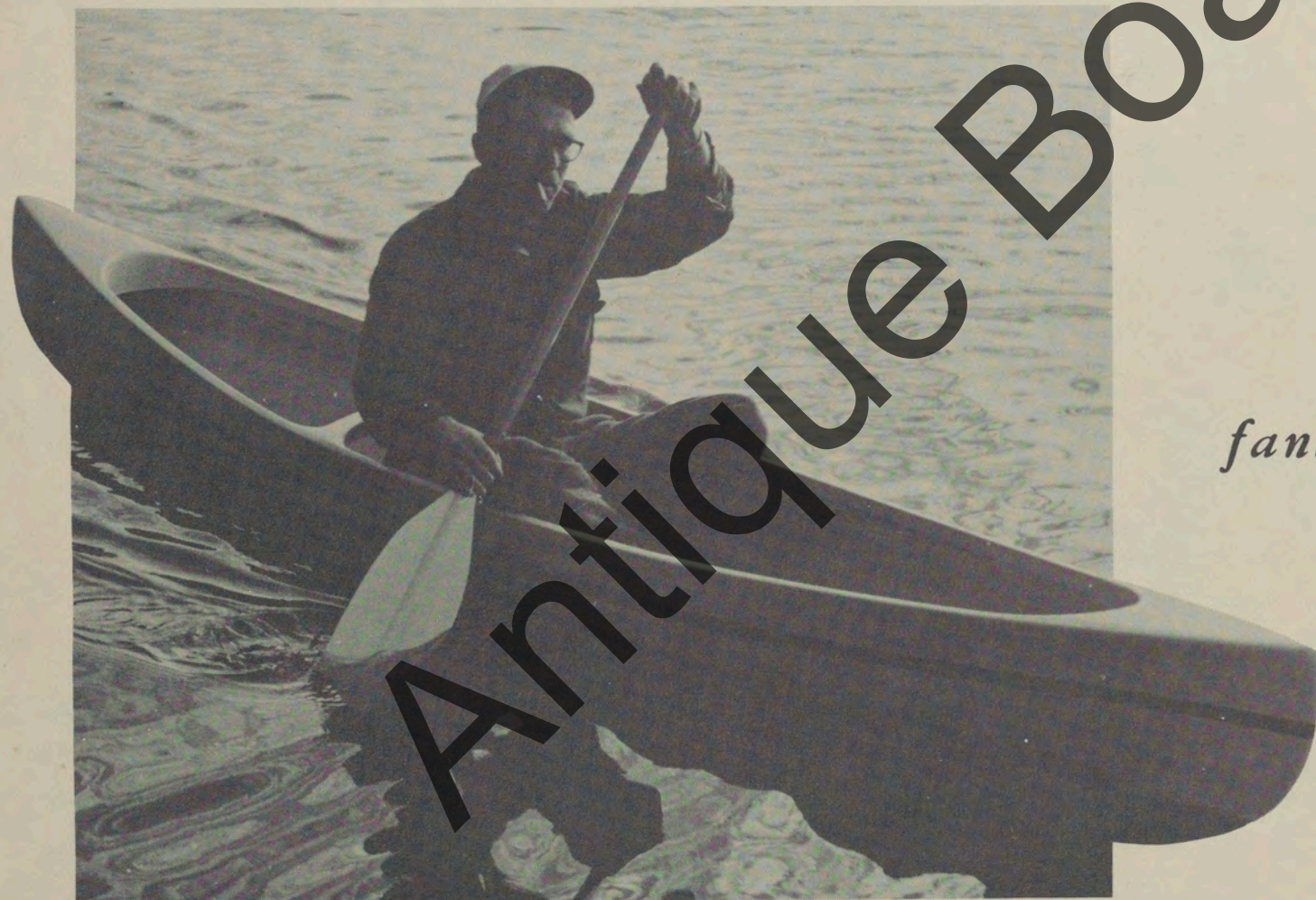
RUSHTON MODEL

Of particular interest to those sportsmen who desire a lightweight pack canoe we offer the 10' Rushton model.

We have developed this amazing 18.5 pound one man canoe for use on inaccessible ponds and streams.

The design for this lovely little featherweight is based on the lines of "Wee Lassie" an extremely lightweight

sports canoe built during the late 1800's by J. Henry Rushton of Canton, New York. The original Wee Lassie was built entirely of cedar. Designer Bart Hawthaway has developed our Rushton model to utilize the advantages of today's super lightweight fiberglass techniques. For those wishing to see the original Wee Lassie, it is on display, together with many other small water craft, at the Adirondack Museum, Blue Mountain Lake, New York.



fantastic lightweight

18.5
POUNDS

\$195.00
FOB Old Town, Maine

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This little craft is not one that you should jump in and out of with reckless abandon, nor is it a boat for the exhibitionist who prefers to be seen standing in a canoe. We recommend the technique shown here for boarding. With the paddle laid across the rails, its blade flat on the shore or a convenient rock as shown, the paddler can lower himself into position with ease. Once seated, the canoe is surprisingly stable.



The hunter usually finds no problem in carrying the Rushton into small ponds and otherwise inaccessible waters with a back pack of decoys, gun and paddle.



The Rushton Model. A lightweight, pack canoe

RUSHTON AND HIS TIMES
IN AMERICAN CANOEING

by Atwood Manley

The story of one of the world's great craftsmen of small boats, J. Henry Rushton of Canton, New York, of the canoes that made him famous, and of his influence in the first half century of sport and pleasure canoeing in America. Illustrations include photographs, scale drawings of Rushton canoes, and two previously unpublished sketches by Frederic Remington. 224 pp., drawings, photographs, appendices, and index, 7-3/8" x 9-1/2" cloth on boards 1968.

\$14.00

The canoe of the American Indian has been reproduced in many materials and adapted to modern day requirements. One area that seems to have been neglected is the Indian Pack Canoe, a small lightweight craft easily transported to small ponds and beaver flowages.

In the late 1800's J. Henry Rushton of Canton, New York produced many small lightweight single man canoes. These craft were built of solid cedar and became widely known from articles that appeared in Forest and Stream written by George Washington Sears using the pen name Nessmuk. Sears was a diminutive woodsman who traveled the Adirondack wilderness to gain experience for his stories. While they varied in size, one of these craft was about 10-1/2 feet long, 27 inches wide, 15 inches deep at the ends and 9 inches deep

amidships. It weighted between 20 and 22 pounds depending on the amount of paint used on the cedar hull.

By comparison, the Old Town Rushton model has the following dimensions: length-10-1/2', beam-27", depth at ends 15", depth amidships-10", weight (approximately) 18.5 pounds. Shipping weight 45 pounds. Price packed for shipment \$195. FOB Old Town, Maine. For common carrier shipment, a carton is recommended. \$15.00 extra. Shipping weight 65 pounds cartoned.

Here is a fine piece of equipment for those who enjoy fishing or hunting remote mountain ponds or other small bodies of water otherwise inaccessible to the sportsman.

Prices, materials and specifications are subject to change without notice.