Once again, we will present this winter our annual report on the vessels laid up at the various lake and river ports, and we solicit the assistance of all of our members in preparing the listings. Once navigation has come to a halt, we would ask that our members visit their local ports and observe the various ships laid up there. Please write down very carefully (accuracy is most important) the names of <u>all</u> vessels wintering in each port and send your lists to the Editor as soon as possible. We hope that the complete report can be printed in the February issue.

Please do not assume that somebody else will send in the list from your area. We need the help of everyone to ensure the accuracy and completeness of our report. In the past, we have had some difficulty obtaining information for some of the ports on Lake Michigan, and we particularly seek assistance in that respect. Thank you.

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In an effort to put readers in the right frame of mind for sending in their current lay-up lists, we present herewith the listing for Toronto Harbour for the winter of 1955-1956. It will be seen that thirty-nine vessels were here that winter, a far cry from the conditions we see today:

R. BRUCE ANGUS
BLUE CROSS
BRITAMLUBE
BRITAMOLENE
BURLINGTON
CARTIERDOC
CAYUGA
CITY OF TORONTO
NORMAN P. CLEMENT
COASTAL CARRIER
COASTAL CASCADES
COASTAL CREEK
WILLIAM H. DANIELS

DONNACONA
EDWIN T. DOUGLASS
EDMONTON
HERON BAY
DOUGLASS HOUGHTON
CHARLES R. HUNTLEY
JUDGE KENEFICK
LAKESHELL
MAKAWELI
MAUNALOA II
COL. ROBERT R. McCORMICK
NIAGARA
NEW YORK NEWS

OIL TRANSPORTER
PIC RIVER
JOHN S. PILLSBURY
PRESCOTT
JOHN J. RAMMACHER
JOHN B. RICHARDS
HOWARD L. SHAW
JAMES STEWART
TRANSRIVER
VANDOC
VICTORIOUS
SHELTON WEED
WINDOC

How is that for a trip down memory lane? We wish that we could take our camera to the waterfront today and see all those interesting vessels, particularly all the canallers. By the way, only three of the vessels listed are still active today. Can you spot them?

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DRAGON ROUGE

Many members have indicated their pleasure in reading the piece which appeared in the December issue concerning the Russell dredge DRAGON ROUGE. It was printed through the courtesy of Capt. John Leonard, who actually wrote it for a non-marine publication.

Member Lorne Joyce has provided us with an additional bit of information, which he managed to locate on pages 195 and 196 of a book entitled <u>Desperate Venture</u>. The book concerns the Central Ontario Railway, and was written by James Plomer with Alan R. Capon. It was published by Mika Publishing, Belleville, Ontario, in 1979.

The item states that, early one June morning, while the Trenton yard engine was switching on the dock sidings, the engine crew managed to bunt a rail car over the edge of the dock and onto the dredge DRAGON ROUGE. Apparently, the wayward car all but demolished the dredge's deckhouse, in which the crew's quarters were located, but nobody was injured as DRAGON ROUGE's crew already had arisen and were about their work. The item is not specifically dated, but judging from the sequence of notations in the book, one might assume that the incident took place during 1913.

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