The Manitowoc Shipbuilding Corporation embracing The Manitowoc Engineering Works and The Manitowoc Boiler Works represents Manitowoc’s leading industry. In fact shipbuilding and Manitowoc have become traditional and synonymous. For almost a century, ninety-one years to be exact, shipbuilding has been the vocation of many of the citizens. The high class workmanship embodied in steamers built at the local yards and now plying the Great Lakes and the seven seas is a floating testimonial to the genius and ability of the officials and employees of the Manitowoc Shipbuilding Corporation and subsidiary companies.

Although the Boiler shops are located near the harbor entrance the main shops of the shipbuilding plant are located a mile up the Manitowoc river on a peninsula. The plant covers thirty-six acres, has 4,500 ft. of navigable dock frontage, has a turn basin abreast of the plant which permits the largest steamers to turn around with ease, and is served by four railroads.

Huge floating dry docks and a stationary dry-dock are able to accommodate the largest steamers on the Lakes. With these excellent facilities in addition to the efficient organization and modern shop equipment, the shipbuilding plant is able to take care of urgent repairs of carferries and other vessels, and has expended large sums of money to improve its facilities to release boats with the greatest dispatch. With its sheltered harbor, ample free wharfage adjacent to the shipbuilding plant makes Manitowoc an ideal place for laying up vessels for the winter.

Everything that enters into the construction of steamers is made in the mammoth plants of the Manitowoc Shipbuilding Corporation. In addition to the excellent repair facilities this corporation is recognized for its efficiency in design-
ing steel passenger and freight vessels, carferries, dredges, tugs, lighters, dump scows, marine engines and boilers, windlasses, steering engines, winches and all ship auxiliary equipment.

In addition to this equipment the company also designs and builds equipment for pulp paper mills and cement mills, such as digesters, barking drums, incinerators, disc evaporators, diffusers, causticizing and dissolving tanks, rod mills, rotary lime kilns, bleach and clay mixers, galvanizing kettles, pressure tanks, structural steel work, cement kilns and coolers, dryers and slurry agitators.

In the huge machine shops of this plant are built the Moore Speedcranes, shovels, trenchers and draglines. Although stock equipment consists of a gasoline engine power plant the Speedcrane is so constructed that steam, Diesel or electric power plants can be installed if desired. Hundreds of Speedcranes are at work in all parts of the country and are giving thorough satisfaction to the owners and operators. The Buffalo-Manitowoc clam shell bucket is also built in this department and is meeting with universal approval.

Due to the present growing demand on the Great Lakes a complete department for the design and construction of high class steam and Diesel Yachts has been organized and facilities provided for the storing of yachts during the winter months.

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