



CAPTAIN JACK

Captain Jack Jussely of Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina, is the only man living who has sailed around Cape Horn in a sailing ship. He was 92 years old in June of this year and was an apprentice aboard the Norwegian ship "Norwig" at 17 years of age. This ship was especially built to carry people around the Horn during the Gold Rush. This was, of course, before the Panama Canal was built.

Captain Jack is spending the summer in Highlands at the summer home of his daughter, Nancy, and his son-in-law, Mayor David Lyle of Rock Hill, South Carolina. Another daughter, Isabel, and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robertson, also have a summer home here and Mrs. Otto Summer of Highlands is his niece, so Captain Jack is well-surrounded by those who love him. He also has another daughter, Priscilla, Mrs. Thomas Robertson, of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, who has just left Highlands after a visit with him.

Captain Jack loves to be in Highlands and never lets a member of the family rest in the summer til they have taken him "up the hill" to Chestnut Burr Cottage where he can sit out in the porch swing and enjoy the cool freshness of the mountain air. His daughter, Nancy sums it up thus, "The Old Man of the Sea has become the Old Man of the Mountains." When he is not on the front porch, he is in his lawn chair down by the driveway, smoking his pipe and watching the cars whizzing along the Walhalla Road instead of the ships of the world sail by - he loves action, wherever it is!

Of his first voyage, Uaptain Jack says "Yes, the ship went to Liverpool and to the Canada Dock in England for a new mast; docked in Cardiff for a load of coal bound for Buenos Aires; took on a ballast of rock and sand to make it draw 16 feet; then around the Horn to Australia where the "Norwig" took on a load of wheat, and on to New Zealand for a load of apples on top of the wheat; then we crossed the ocean in 36 days and docked at Saplo, Georgia."

"The Norwegian food on board was delicious. Lots of potatoes and cabbage to prevent scurvy, a sweet fish soup (Swisskasoupa) every Friday, plum pudding and a portion of 'kill-me-quick' liquor every Friday."

This voyage was a great adventure for a boy of seventeen and was the beginning of 60 years at sea for Captain Jack Jussely.

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