

26-FOOT ELCO CRUISER



26-foot Elco Cruiser—Speed 9 miles

NO sport offers quite the satisfaction, or quite the pleasant memories at the end of the Summer, as a season afloat. Free from the irksome restrictions of the conventional "vacation," one may loaf luxuriously through days of perfect contentment, in a wonderful traveling "Home Afloat," over the many beautiful cruising grounds with which this country is so happily endowed.

While many would like to cruise, they have been deterred by the difficulty of securing a boat in which they could feel sure of obtaining satisfaction, and assurance of suitability. They have hesitated, too, at the price frequently asked for boats of unseaworthy form, and general unfitness.

For these people—thousands of them—the Elco Works of Bayonne, N. J., have designed and built a new STANDARDIZED motor boat—a cruiser. Many will recognize, in the development of this boat, another important achievement by Elco. Nothing like it has been before offered the motor boating public.

It is, primarily, a real boat. By this is meant a boat which is an astonishing revela-

tion of what can be done in a limited space. This new cruiser, just under 26 feet in length, offers accommodations and usable room not to be looked for in the average 30-footer. In this boat, you can *cruise* in comfort.

The cockpit is big; spacious enough for a large party. Ten persons find plenty of room for themselves. The cabin has excellent headroom, even the taller men moving about in comfort. In most small boats, when equal headroom is obtained, it is only done by exaggerating the freeboard. This produces a top-heavy, slab-sided condition which looks, as it actually is, anything but seaworthy. The floor space is generous; the cabin has lots of room in which to walk around, and there are two good berths, wide enough to make extensions unnecessary. Extra stowage space is located under the berths.

The galley is at the after end of the cabin. It is necessarily compact, but it includes the cruising essentials, a sink with running water, drain board, shelves, and a stove bench. On the starboard side, opposite the galley, is a large hanging space with room for all the "oilers" and extra clothing. The bow of the boat is occupied by the

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Bow View—26-foot Cruiser

toilet room, which is equipped with a high-grade closet, properly installed. There is more hanging space here, and the room is well ventilated by the portlight and deck hatch. Still further forward is the rope locker.

The engine is concealed, yet perfectly accessible, under the cockpit floor. Operation is simplified by the Elco system of concentrated controls, which places everything directly at the helmsman's hand, rendering maneuvering easy for anyone. The boat is remarkable in its obedience to the helm. Due to its careful modeling and efficient hull, it is very clean-running, leaving almost no wave, and making excellent speed.

The performance of the boat in heavy seas is an agreeable surprise to those who have been accustomed to the sharp action of narrow, shallow boats—ofttimes with flat bottoms, no deadrise, and other makeshift hull forms, usually unsuited to any but quiet waters. The new 26-foot Elco Cruiser is of regular shipshape lines; deep and full-bodied.

The power plant is the Elco-Gray Marine Engine, built especially for this boat, has ample power to handle the boat in any situation. It has been selected only after an extended series of tests with a number of other engines, and is confidently offered as entirely satisfactory for the service demanded. It has a dependable reverse gear, reliable ignition, efficient manifolding and carburetion, and develops its power at moderate revolutions and low fuel consumption. An electric starter is regular equipment.

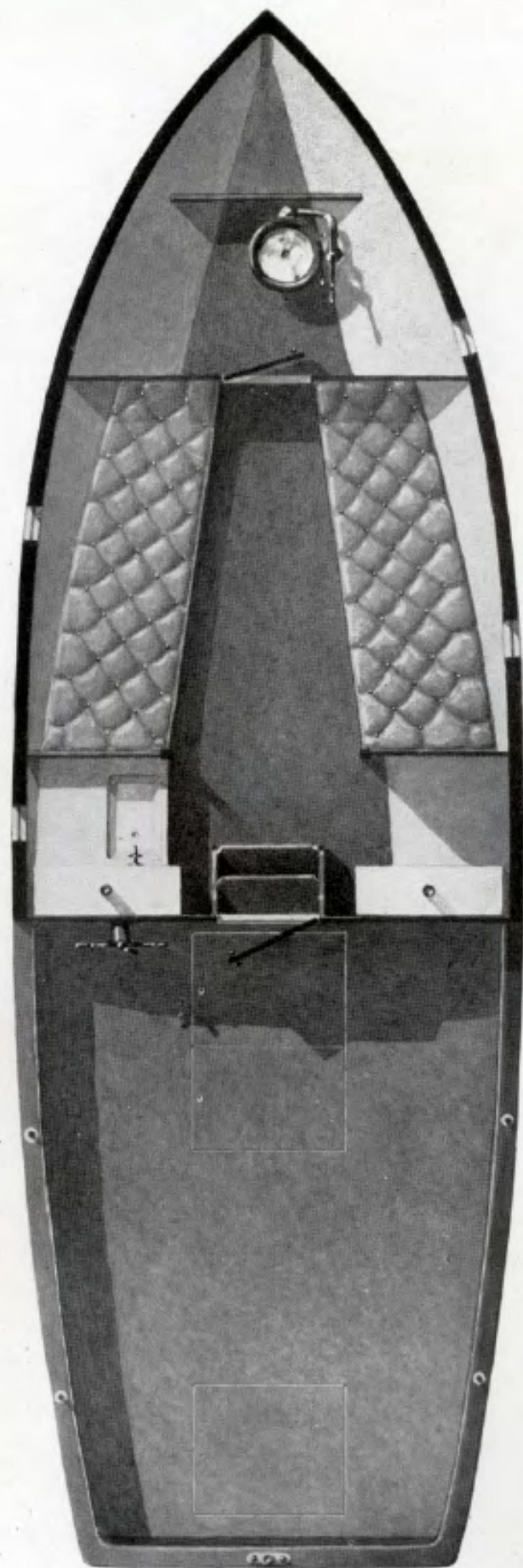
Little labor is involved in the proper up-keep of the Elco 26-footer. Each fitting is designed to combine the utmost utility with the minimum of work in polishing, and the like. The rudder gear and engine equipment are all Elco-built and STANDARDIZED. Duplicate parts are always carried in stock, instantly obtainable, and easily installed.

The success which Elco boats have attained indicate that a large demand for this newest boat is a practical certainty.



Cabin 26-foot Cruiser

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Forepeak: Rope locker with special Elco deck plate.

Toilet Room: Equipped high grade W. C. Extra hanging space at sides.

Cabin: Wide transom berths each side, with stowage space under.

Closet: Fitted with coat and hat hooks. Very roomy. Gasoline tank installed at after end, filled from deck.

Cockpit: Unusually large. Covered with strong canvas awning. Entirely open for the use of deck chairs.

Galley: Equipped with sink and dresser. Stove space outboard of sink. Fresh water tank at after end, filled from deck.

Engine: Installed under flush cockpit floor hatches. Accessible yet well protected. Controls and steering gear centralized on bulkhead.

Lazarette: with large storage space under cockpit floor. Room for all sorts of supplies and spares. Access through flush floor hatches.

*Plan of 26-foot Elco
Cruiser Showing Interior*

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26-foot Cruiser Specifications—Model 26—Series 25

Length, overall.....25 feet 11 inches
 Beam, extreme..... 8 feet 8 inches
 Draft..... 2 feet 3 inches
 Sleeping accommodations.....2 persons
 Headroom, cabin.....5 feet 8 inches
 Speed.....9 miles per hour

Engine.....Elco-Gray, Four cylinder
 Bore and Stroke.....3 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 4"
 Horsepower, rated.....15-18 H.P.
 Reverse Gear.....Planetary
 Ignition.....Battery
 Fuel tank, capacity.....25 gallons

BOAT CONSTRUCTION. Keel and frames, selected white oak. Planking white cedar; galvanized screw fastenings with all heads puttied. Decks, canvas covered. Exterior trim, mahogany. Interior, white.

PAINTING AND VARNISHING. Underbody, anti-fouling green. Topsides, yacht white. Decks, buff. Exterior trim, varnish. Interior, white and varnish.

METAL WORK. Rudder and skeg, bronze. Stern bearing bronze—Elco type. Inboard stuffing-box.

Shaft, bronze. Propeller, bronze—Elco design. Steering gear and engine controls—Elco design. Chocks and cleats, brass. Joiner hardware, bronze.

PLUMBING. Water closet, yacht type. Galley sink, white enamel. Pumps and seacocks, bronze. Water tank, galvanized, 25 gallons capacity.

ELECTRIC PLANT. Starting and Lighting, two-unit 6-volt. Storage battery. All cabin lamps and sailing lights, electric.

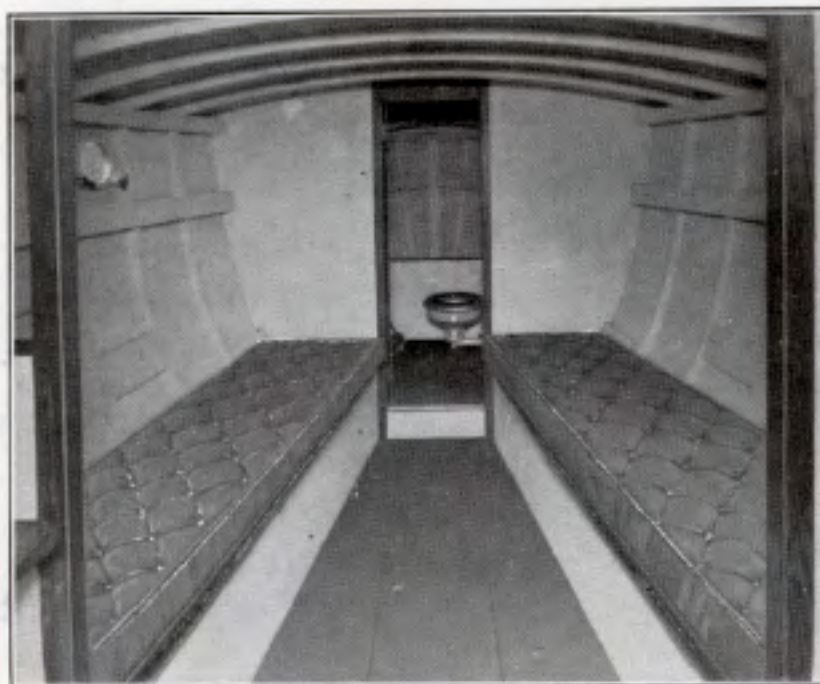
Equipment

Cabin seat cushions
 Awning
 Flag poles
 Mooring bitt

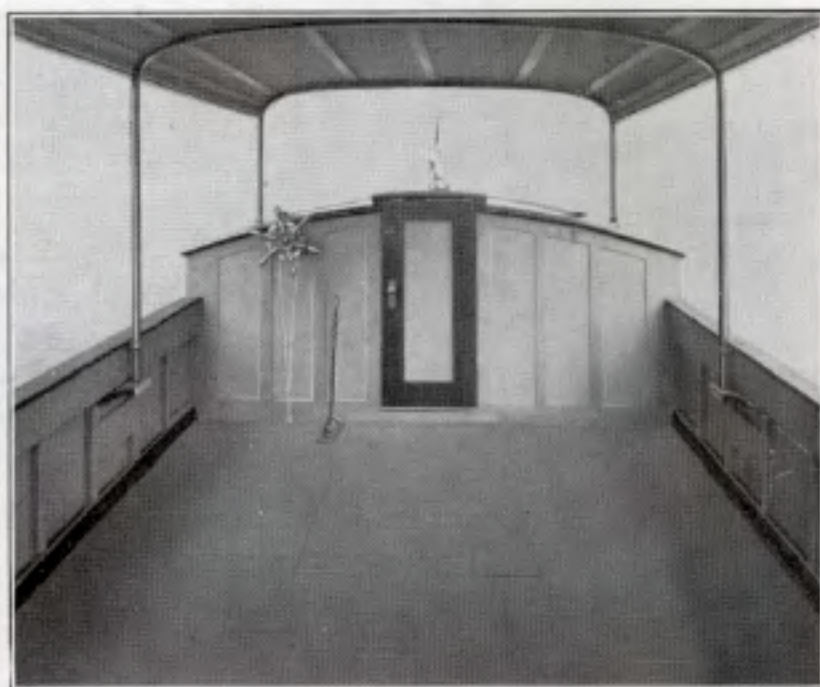
Yacht ensign
 Bow flag
 Two sailing lights
 Anchor and cable

Bilge pump
 Two mooring lines
 Four life jackets
 Hand whistle

Fire extinguisher
 Name and license number
 Engine tools
 Instructions



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Cockpit—26-foot Cruiser