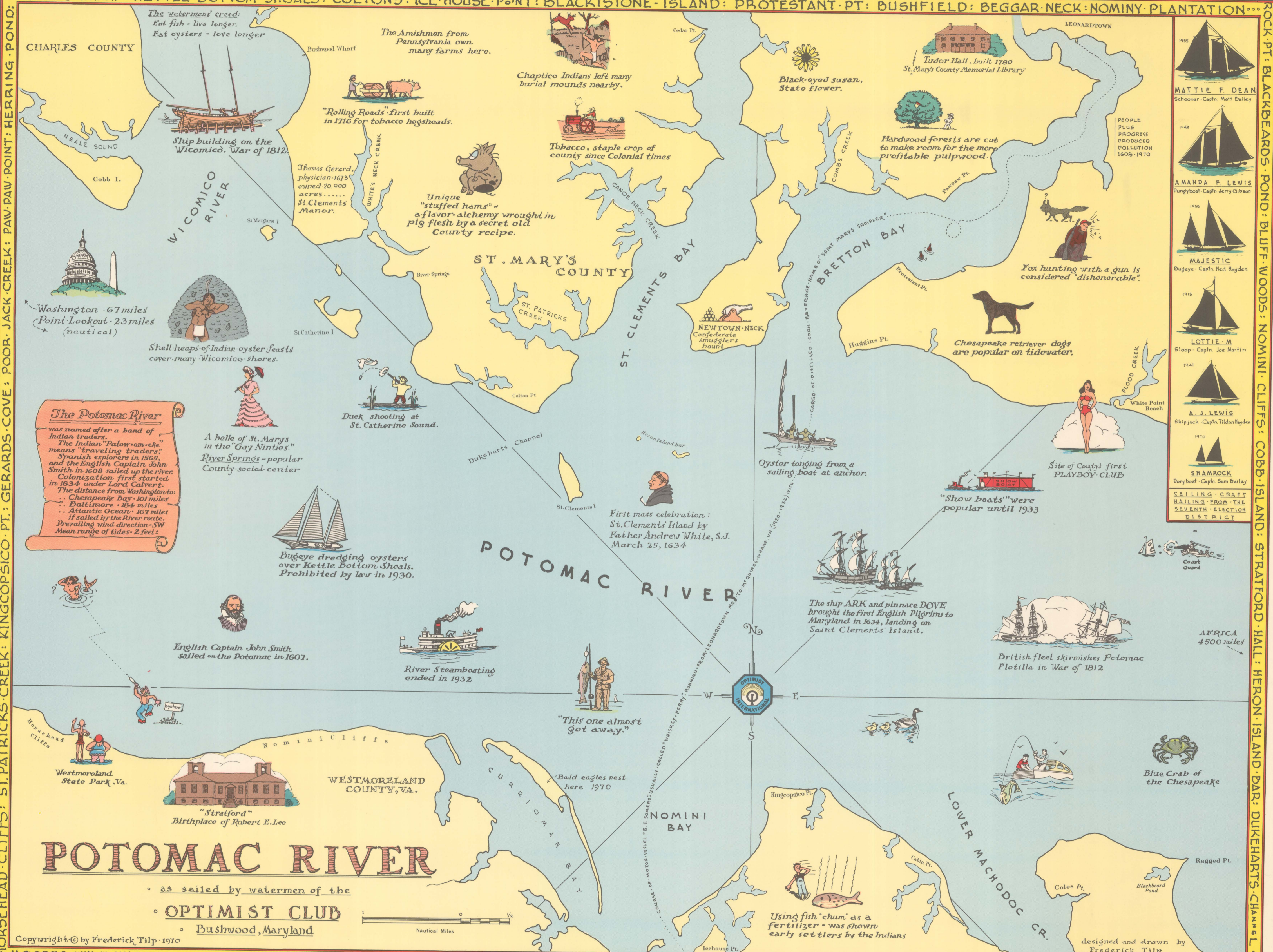


McQUIRES WHARF: KETTLE BOTTOM SHOALS: COLTONS: ICE HOUSE POINT: BLACKSTONE ISLAND: PROTESTANT PT: BUSHFIELD: BEGGAR NECK: NOMINY PLANTATION



HORSEHEAD CLIFFS: ST. PATRICKS CREEK: KINGCOPSICO PT.: GERARDS COVE: POOR JACK CREEK: PAW PAW POINT: HERRING POND:

ROCK PT: BLACKBEARDS POND: BLUFF WOODS: NOMINI CLIFFS: COBB ISLAND: STRATFORD HALL: HERON ISLAND: DAR: DUKEHARTS CHANNEL

**The Potomac River**  
 was named after a band of Indian traders.  
 The Indian "Patow-om-oke" means "traveling traders".  
 Spanish explorers in 1569, and the English Captain John Smith in 1608 sailed up the river.  
 Colonization first started in 1634 under Lord Calvert.  
 The distance from Washington to:  
 Chesapeake Bay - 101 miles  
 Baltimore - 184 miles  
 Atlantic Ocean - 161 miles  
 if sailed by the River route.  
 Prevailing wind direction - SW  
 Mean range of tides - 2 feet

The watermen's creed:  
 Eat fish - live longer.  
 Eat oysters - love longer

The Amishmen from Pennsylvania own many farms here.

Choptico Indians left many burial mounds nearby.

"Rolling Roads" first built in 1716 for tobacco hogsheads.

Tobacco, staple crop of county since Colonial times

Unique "stuffed hams" - a flavor-alchemy wrought in pig flesh by a secret old County recipe.

Black-eyed susan, State flower.

Hardwood forests are cut to make room for the more profitable pulpwood.

Fox hunting with a gun is considered "dishonorable".

Chesapeake retriever dogs are popular on tidewater.

Shell heaps of Indian oyster feasts cover many Wicomico shores.

A hole of St. Marys in the "Gay Nineties".  
 River Springs - popular County social center

Duck shooting at St. Catherine Sound.

First mass celebration: St. Clements Island by Father Andrew White, S.J. March 25, 1634

Oyster tonging from a sailing boat at anchor.

"Show boats" were popular until 1933

Site of County's first PLAYBOY CLUB

Dugeye dredging oysters over Kettle Bottom Shoals. Prohibited by law in 1930.

English Captain John Smith sailed on the Potomac in 1607.

River Steamboating ended in 1932

The ship ARK and pinnace DOVE brought the first English Pilgrims to Maryland in 1634, landing on Saint Clements Island.

British fleet skirmishes Potomac Flotilla in War of 1812

"This one almost got away."

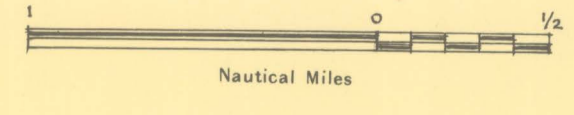
Bald eagles nest here 1970

Blue Crab of the Chesapeake

"Stratford" Birthplace of Robert E. Lee

# POTOMAC RIVER

as sailed by watermen of the  
**OPTIMIST CLUB**  
 Bushwood, Maryland



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MOORES WHARF: HUGGINS PT: COLES NECK: BURLINGTON: HOLLIS MARSH: SAINT CLEMENTS ISLAND: RAGGED PT: NEWTOWN NECK: CURRIOMAN BAY: CANOE NECK CREEK: ABELL

1955  
**MATTIE F. DEAN**  
 Schooner - Captn. Matt Dailey

1948  
**AMANDA F. LEWIS**  
 Pungyboat - Captn. Jerry Gibson

1936  
**MAJESTIC**  
 Dugeye - Captn. Ned Hayden

1913  
**LOTTIE M**  
 Sloop - Captn. Joe Martin

1941  
**A. J. LEWIS**  
 Skipjack - Captn. Tildon Hayden

1970  
**SHAMROCK**  
 Dory boat - Captn. Sam Bailey

SAILING - CRAFT  
 HAILING - FROM - THE  
 SEVENTH - ELECTION  
 DISTRICT