SKLAROFF'S WHARF





Dredging so the Boston Boat can dock. Railroad Wharf, left. About 1935. Also called Monument Dock.



Draggers in for the night. -- About 1940

September 1943 Sklaroff Sells Wharf Property

John Nagle Co., Atlantic Coast Fisheries Take Over His Holdings

John Nagle Company, well-known Boston fish concern, the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Corporation with extensive holdings in Provincetown, and other parties have acquired the Sklaroff Wharf, buildings, and two Commercial Street buildings, in a transfer which has been rumored but kept secret since July 1 when the property was sold.

Frank J. Rowe, manager of the Provincetown branch of the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Corp., said this afternoon that John Nagle is expected to arrive in town on Saturday and that he preferred to have any official statement come from him.

The deal includes the 1380-foot wharf, the fish-handling buildings and sheds on it, the Harbor Lunch building and the building which formerly housed Michael's tailoring shop and the apartment occupied by Frank Nolet. The last two are in the central business section of the town.

The property has been operated by William Sklaroff for the past 25 years of the 32 years he has been a resident of Provincetown. Lately he has been assisted by his son-inlaw Morton Adler. The latter said today that Mr. Sklaroff's plans are as yet uncertain but that he and Mrs. Adler plan to return to Philadelphia to live within a few months.

Thirty-Five Years Ago Oct. 25, 1917

The architect's plan for the proposed Sklaroff wharf calls for a money outlay of about \$35,000. That wharf is to be as long as is Railroad wharf. A cold storage building will occupy a site seaward of the present land occupying building and the latter is to be practically rebuilt and present to view on the Commercial Street line a handsome brick front.

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A NEWLY FORMED corporation, the Monument Fish Company, Inc., which includes as members Anthony E. Silva, Edward Salvador and Lawrence Taves, has bought Monument Pier which stands alongside of Town Wharf and is about of equal length. The pier was built during World War I and is one of the two surviving piers which reach out from the harbor shore into water deep enough for the unloading of fish from large boats. It was erected by Sklaroff and Sons and some years ago was sold to the Cape Cod Fisheries, Inc. The new owners say that no change in personnel or policy regarding fishermen is planned.