

EIGHTS  
FOURS  
DOUBLES  
SINGLES

GEO. POCOCK  
BUILDER OF RACING SHELLS  
AND PRACTICE BOATS  
ESTABLISHED ON PACIFIC COAST 1911

OARS  
AND  
SCULLS

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Mr Gene Melder  
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Worcester Mass.

In Shop  
Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> Monday

Dear Gene:- Very pleased to receive your letter,  
Al just brought it up in the shop as it  
came to his box on theampus.  
I will answer your question about oars, I can  
find 10 'seconds' out of our stocks of racing  
oars as we have none of the practice solid  
oars made, and will not be making any.  
Now you must be familiar with what  
constitutes a 'second', here it is —

- 1 The loom or shaft warped in any direction  
not to exceed  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from neck of blade  
to button.
- 2 Small knots in the loom or shaft-  
but not in a vulnerable place.

I mention this because so many times  
buyers have noticed a slight-warp or a  
small knot and have kicked about it  
after all they are a regular racing  
tubular oar with Ironbark back for  
exactly half price. I should really stamp  
or burn SECOND into them but —

2/ do not, for the sake of the users feelings.  
I try them all to make sure they  
are O.K. but use

So there it is Esene. They could leave  
here one week after receipt of order &  
Express to Worcester would take 4 days  
and cost roughly \$15.00.

I enjoyed your visit last Summer very  
much indeed, and thought of you many  
times since, and wondered how the kids  
held up.

It is good of you to speak of the 2 ply  
light, we have been working on them all  
Summer and we think more of them than  
every, of course the 'proof of the pudding  
is in the eating' and we will have a  
crew in one before long.

If your boys turning out for crew, listen  
to your coaching, and catch your spirit  
you will have a good crew.

With every good wish

Sincerely yours

Esene.