

# MODEL BOAT, SAILBOAT

## OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

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| <b>Repository:</b>     | Crandall Public Library.<br>Folklife Center<br>Glens Falls, NY. |
| <b>Creator:</b>        | Col. Charles W. Raymond<br>Cambridge, Washington, New York      |
| <b>Title:</b>          | Model Boat, Sailboat  |
| <b>Dates:</b>          | 1971  |
| <b>Quantity:</b>       | 1 item  |
| <b>Identification:</b> | Folk Art  |

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Colonel Charles W. Raymond II (1909 – 1989) graduated from West Point in 1931, coming from a long line of West Point graduates. His father Robert R. Raymond graduated in 1893, his brother Robert Rossiter Raymond, Jr., in 1919; his grandfathers Charles W. Raymond in 1865 and William R. King in 1863, and his great-grandfather I. Carle Woodruff in 1836. Col. Raymond served in World War II as commander of field artillery battalions in Northern Ireland, North Africa and Italy. For 16 years following the war he served in various command and staff positions in Korea, Nicaragua, and the United States. He retired in 1961 and returned to Cambridge.

His long and full retirement included earning a Master of Science degree at the State University of New York at Albany and teaching in local school districts. He was active in the Cambridge Volunteer Fire Department and was a member of the Washington County, New York, Fire Police Association. His lifelong hobby was making models, especially fire engines, out of commonly found objects of every description. He not only built the models, he used them in visualizing and simulating complex situations in much the same way war game enthusiasts recreate historic battles. He loved to sing, lending his resonant baritone to church choir, choral group or amateur vaudeville troupe whenever his talent was required. He is buried in West Point Cemetery.

## INDEX TERMS

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**Places:** Cambridge, Washington, New York  
Denmark

**Important People:** Raymond, Col. Charles W.

**Form/Genre:** realia

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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Crandall Public Library, Glens Falls, NY.

**Accession Information:** Acquired in 2014

**Processing Information:** Arranged and described by Erica Gonyea, 2019

## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECTS**

This model has a cardboard hull with a balsa wood deck. It is 8 inches long x 3 inches wide, with a string and cloth sail. "AEGOR" is written on the hull and the rudder, along with a Danish flag.

Signed "C.W.R. 11 July 1971.

Also see the booklet, *The Beauty of the People: Ongoing Traditions of Washington County*. HOLDEN 398.0973 Bea