

The Swanson Boat Oar Company

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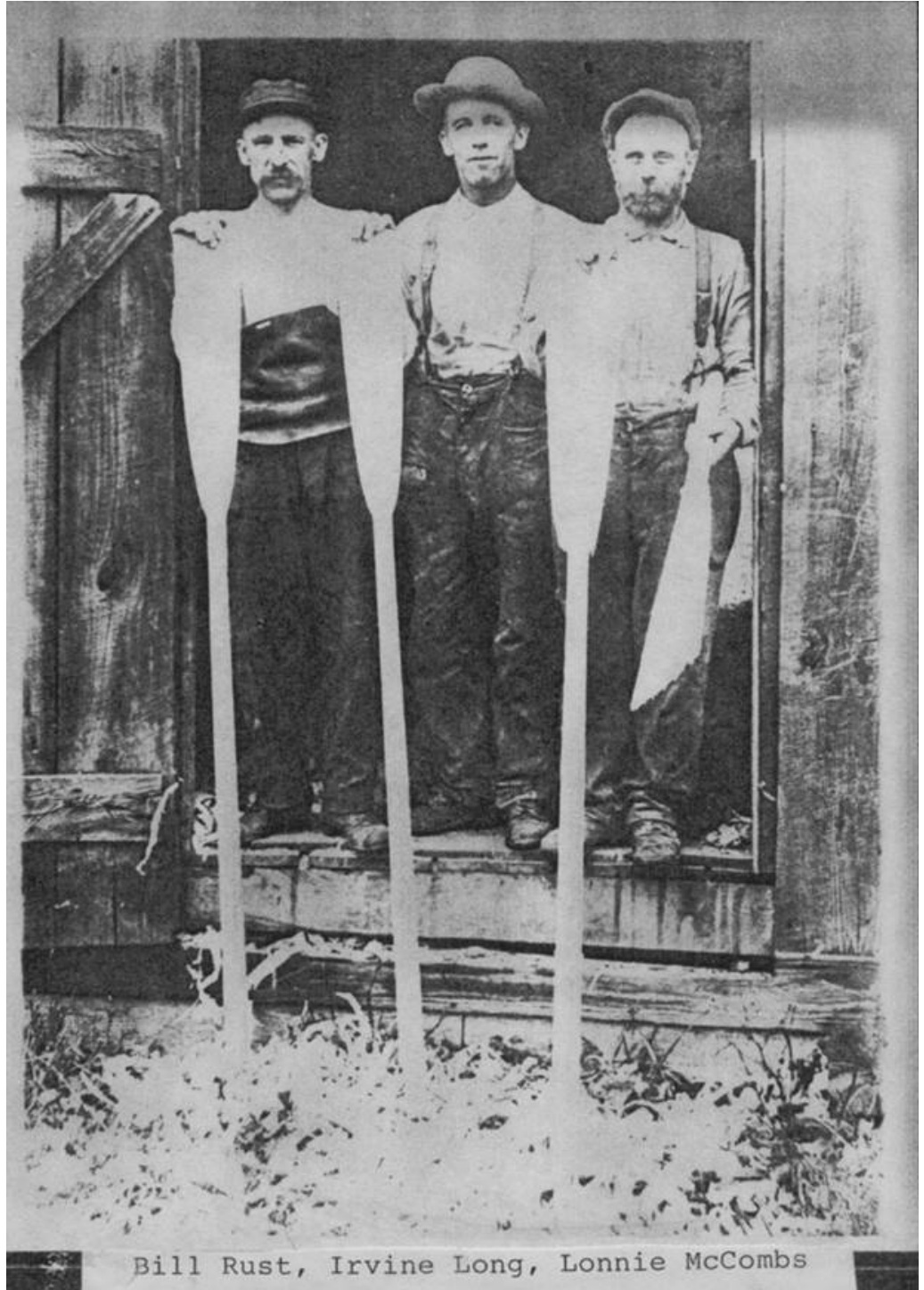
The Swanson family, of Albion, Pennsylvania, has been producing high quality boat oars and canoe paddles for five generations. Many companies make wooden oars for whitewater use, but only one company produces the finest thin, graceful, balanced and extremely flexible white water oar, and the company is unique in that it controls the product from the forest to the customer. The Swanson's developed the skills to produce fine spoon blade paddles for European canoe and kayak competition in the mid-21st Century. They were the primary supplier of oars to river outfitters in the Western United States for decades.

In the 1940s and 50's their oars were used by Grand Canyon River Expeditions, Hatch River Expeditions, and most outfitters on the Colorado Plateau.

Swanson oars were the choice for government river surveys and many organizations like the Powell Society.

**Unless noted credit:
Swanson Boat Oar
Company**

1897 Long Oar Employees
1897 - B. Rust, Irvine Long
& L. McCombs

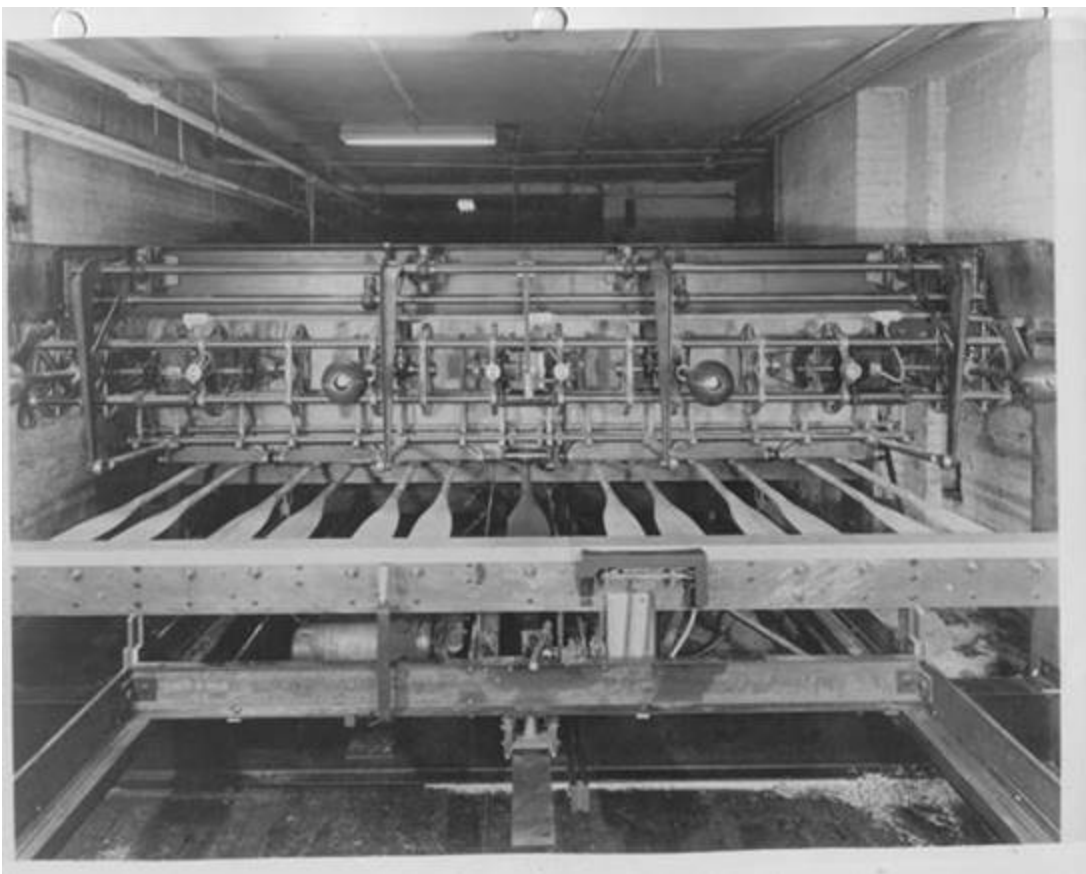


Bill Rust, Irvine Long, Lonnie McCombs

Hand Planing an Oar



1940's Swanson mass profiling machine





NG, A.R. MCKAY, DUANE SWANSON, RAY BULL, HAROLD GIBSON, DAN WOODWORTH, PAUL BENTLEY, ELMER HAYES, LAVERNE WILLEY



Canoe Paddles

Solid one piece construction — No glue joints to worry about

VARNISHED PADDLES WITH 6½" WIDTH BLADE

Viking Grade

Top quality in both material and workmanship. This grade is the ultimate in ease of handling and durability.

Trojan Grade

Same specifications as the Viking Grade but the material contains blemishes.

	(Price per paddle)			(Price per paddle)	
	Appalachian White Ash	Northern Hardwoods		Appalachian White Ash	Northern Hardwoods
2 ft.	\$17.64	\$14.00	2 ft.	\$14.80	\$11.33
2½ ft.	18.34	15.44	2½ ft.	15.47	11.86
3 ft.	21.85	17.04	3 ft.	18.47	14.41
3½ ft.	25.42	19.54	3½ ft.	20.34	15.63
4 ft.	27.37	21.10	4 ft.	21.90	16.95
4¼ ft.	28.84	22.33	4¼ ft.	23.07	18.00
4½ ft.	30.16	23.23	4½ ft.	24.13	18.67
4¾ ft.	31.52	24.41	4¾ ft.	25.22	19.53
5 ft.	32.80	25.47	5 ft.	26.24	20.38
5¼ ft.	33.84	26.48	5¼ ft.	27.07	21.18
5½ ft.	35.25	27.47	5½ ft.	28.20	21.98
5¾ ft.	36.45	28.57	5¾ ft.	29.16	22.86
6 ft.	37.73	29.61	6 ft.	30.18	23.76

\$5.00 per C.W.T. Freight allowance on 144 paddles and short oars — 5 ft. thru 7½ ft. only.

Special Push Paddles

8 ft.	\$58.21 each
9 ft.	67.41 each
10 ft.	90.08 each
12 ft.	125.76 each

NOTES

- Unvarnished paddles on request — less 40c each.
- Special wide blade paddles for white water made to order.
- Novelty paddles 14", 18", 24" quoted on request.

Boat Poles

NOTE: \$15 set up charge on boat poles and dowel orders of less than \$50 each diameter.

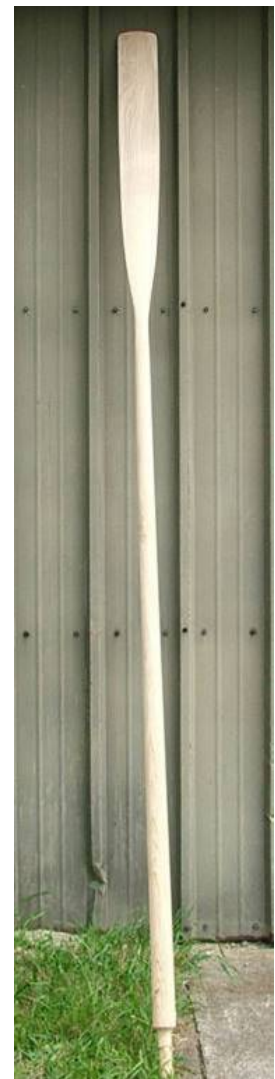
	1 1/4" Dia.	1 3/8" Dia.	1 1/2" Dia.	1 3/4" Dia.	2" Dia.
6 ft. Boat Poles	\$15.22	\$17.03	\$18.80	\$ 20.60	\$ 22.42
8 ft. Boat Poles	20.80	23.18	25.59	27.97	30.36
10 ft. Boat Poles	26.87	30.44	34.05	37.64	46.99
12 ft. Boat Poles	46.42	47.06	52.38	57.79	63.17
14 ft. Boat Poles	52.27	60.12	67.94	75.79	83.62
16 ft. Boat Poles	65.73	83.62	95.61	113.50	125.48

Wood dowels, ¾" to 2", prices on request.

1½" Ball Point Galvanized Boat Hooks	\$22.72	2" Ball Point Galvanized Boat Hooks	\$36.96
1½" Sharp Point Galvanized Boat Hooks ..	22.72	2" Sharp Point Galvanized Boat Hooks	38.12

(Below Hoops Photos) 2007 Eric Swanson using powered blade cutter





THE SWANSON BOAT OAR FACTORY, and by association at least the entire Albion area, will be represented on the Flagship Niagara. Jim Swanson, center, flanked by his sons Brad and Eric, are shown with two of the eight oars made for the Niagara's yawl, an 18-foot tender carried aboard the Brig. The yawl is used for transportation between ship and shore, between vessels and in case of a "man overboard." The yawl is powered by six rowers, each pulling one of the long oars. The oars were manufactured in a style used in the early 1800s, when the original Niagara played such an important role in Perry's victory over the English.

