

JOHN ROGERS NEWELL, shipbuilder. Born out of generations of Bath builders, your own apprenticeship served in your school days, trained in naval architecture and marine engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, you have devoted your life to the building of ships, and to the betterment of your community. Bath's survival on the fir-laden shores of the Kennebec as the cradle of ships in the 20th century owes itself, in the historian's words, to "guts, gumption, character, and know-how." Through phenomenal expansion in World War II and necessary contraction of activity in peacetime, the constant quality of your ships has made the label "Bath Built" the paragon of excellence in naval construction. Your community concerns, transcending your professional and business obligations, make Bath and all of Maine and its institutions the beneficiaries of your work, and deeply in your debt.

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