

WAR-PLANE TANKS FIND BETTER USE

Long Beach, California, where the sun shines and there are no floods, has a new attraction. Auxiliary petrol tanks, used on fighter planes in the war, joined together and fitted with an outboard motor, make ~~quite~~ a nice boat. Nobody can complain about the crew either. It's a novel version of swords into ploughshares. There's plenty of room in the boat for a couple of male passengers. Any volunteers?

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1. TITLE: Reconversion Note! GAS TANKS MAKE FINE BOATS!
2. Long Beach, California. A couple of tanks with a future! No, Henry -- not the girls! The boat: Its double hull is made from surplus aeroplane auxiliary tanks. Add a few accessories -like an outboard motor - and off you go - pretty as you please!
6. During the war these wing tanks, carrying extra gas, gave fighter planes a greater cruising range. Today, they're still cruising! A war-surplus "putt-putt" to a good use!
9. So, it's "off we go into the wild blue yonder!" This shallow-draft, unsinkable boat will carry twenty six hundred pounds. That means these gas tanks will take about twenty four - gals! And - we say - "Mister, fill 'er up'."