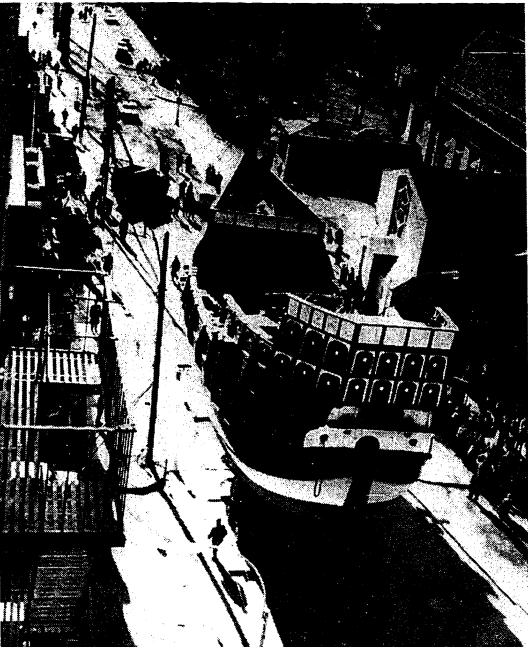
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Santa Maria Temporarily 'Becalmed' in New York A reproduction of the Santa Maria, Columbus's flagship, is shown on a flat-bed trailer in Queens, N.Y., en route to her mooring at Story of Santa Maria's 'dry run' through Queens: Page 3

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# Santa Maria 'Becalmed' In N.Y. Tar

New York

New York In 1492 when Columbus sailed the ocean blue, times were hard but problems were simple—rough weather, un-charted courses, and mutiny. Well, at least they were rela-tively simple as compared to navigating the streets of New York in Sunday traffic.

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Early Sunday, a reproduction of the Santa Maria, Columbus's flagship, set out from Flushing on a five-mile journey through the Borough of Queens.

Aided and abetted by 99 as-sorted experts (11 more than Columbus's reluctant heroes) it made port\_a parking lot on it made port—a parking lo the World's Fair grounds lot on is—by late afternoon.

But there, alas, it became be But there, alas, it became be-calmed in soft asphalt, and there the 90-foot, 100-ton ship must lay to for a week. Next Sunday, it will try to make the remaining two miles to its berth. It is hoped, fervently, that traffic will be lighter.

# Costs Have Gone Up

The Santa Maria, 38 feet tall and 25 feet wide, was built in Spain. It crossed the Atlantic aboard a steamship, then took a barge from Hoboken to Flushing lushing.

Flushing. With a plastic statue of Co-lumbus crouched in the bow, the ship was loaded aboard a flat-bed truck and put to pave-ment, armed with 14 special city permits and \$7.5 million worth of insurance. Columbus brought three ships across the Atlantic for \$17,500.

Surrounded by electricians. tree surgeons, truck drivers, house movers, and a fleet of police cars, red lights flashing, the voyage began.

Out front marched a big policeman bellowing into a bull norn:

"The Santa Maria is coming." The Santa Maria is coming." It was, in the words of an awed spectator. "the biggest thing that ever happened to Queens."

## **Cameras** Clicked

Children ran alongside, laugh-ing and dancing. Adults hun out of apartment windows. In-numerable cameras clicked. A mischievous little brown dog rat into the oct dedring in oper hung Α got into the act, dodging in and out between the wheels of the big truck.

The Santa Maria's escorts, armed with power saws, cut their way through tree limbs; lopped the tops off telephone poles; swung street lights out of the way.

As the ship was maneuvered As the snp was maneuvered through a narrow street, a man asked police Sgt. Andrew M. Mihalick what was going on. "It's the Santa Maria," said Sergeant Mihalick.

The man stared and said:

"You mean it's still afloat?"

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