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**Cover:** OWL, a 39' Concordia yawl built in 1955, was thoughtfully designed by C. Raymond Hunt and his collaborator, Waldo Howland; Concordia yawls have numerous details that make cruising under sail a pleasure.

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