



# SANTA BARBARA

YACHT CLUB

## **Dr. Albert Spaulding, 1942, 1943**

1895-1965

Albert served as an officer in the Navy during World War I. In Santa Barbara, Dr. Albert Quincy “A.Q.” Spaulding was a prominent and much beloved physician (internist). He worked out of the Medical Arts building on Chapala Street, where surgeon Charles Jobbins, another yachting enthusiast, had an office. As was the custom of the time, Al saw patients by appointment in the office, and then made house calls at the end of the day before going home. During the Depression, many of these people had no money, but the kindly doctor treated them regardless – and he would bring home cakes, enchiladas, or other goods proffered in trade. He married Josephine McManus and raised their son and daughter in a home her grandfather built on Monte Vista Avenue. Albert loved to fish, and he converted an old fishing boat into a cruiser, Muzzy, to head out to the islands. Spaulding is given credit for keeping the Yacht Club together after the outbreak of World War II, when yachting came to a grinding halt. He collected enough dues from the remaining members to keep the Yacht Club’s membership in SCYA and NAYRU.