

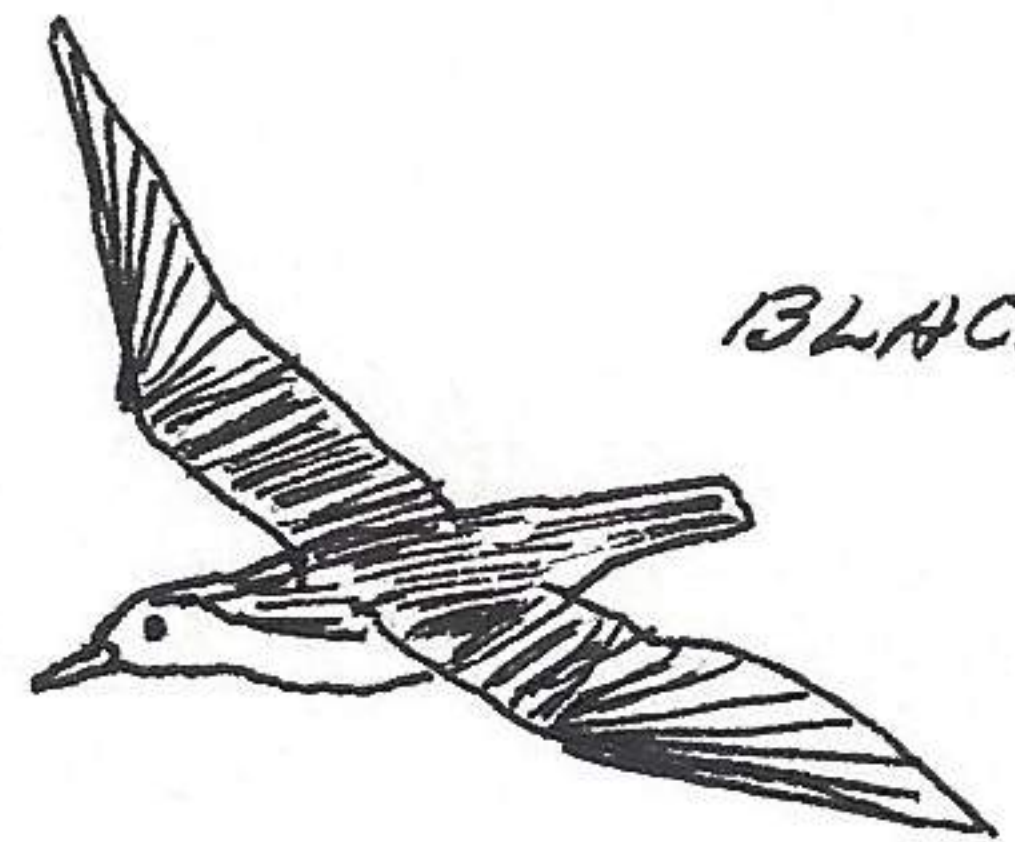
Continued W thru Gibraltar Straits and into high seas. As we were leaving the air carrier Wasp (U.S) was re-turning to Gibraltar for repair of front end of carrier that the high seas (same seas we were just starting into) had turned up the fore point of ship and as it turned out required extensive repairs.

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High seas but sky clear and weather cold in afternoon. Remain on superstructure until all personnel were sent below deck because of increasing intensity of this winter storm.

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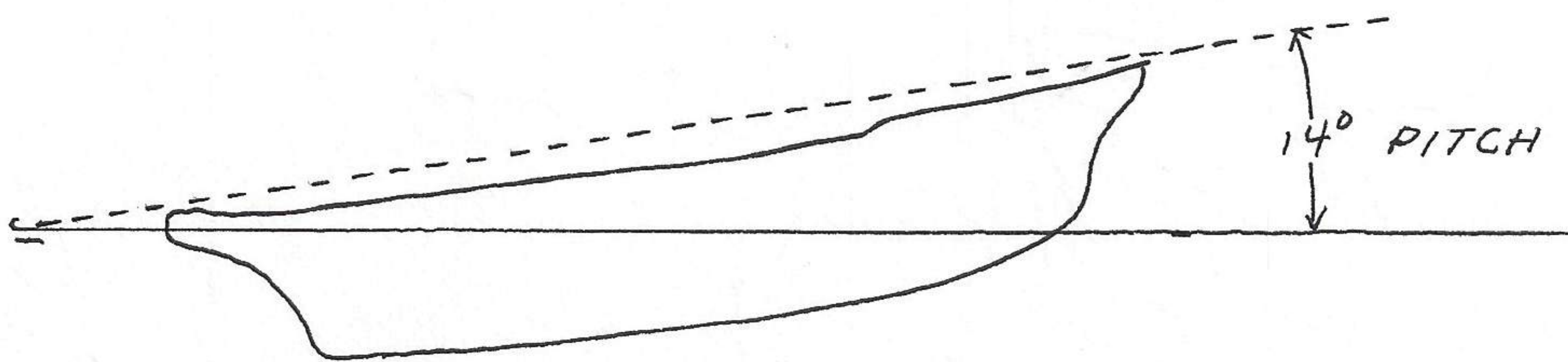
High seas continuing. This A.M. observed a shearwater. Graceful flight.



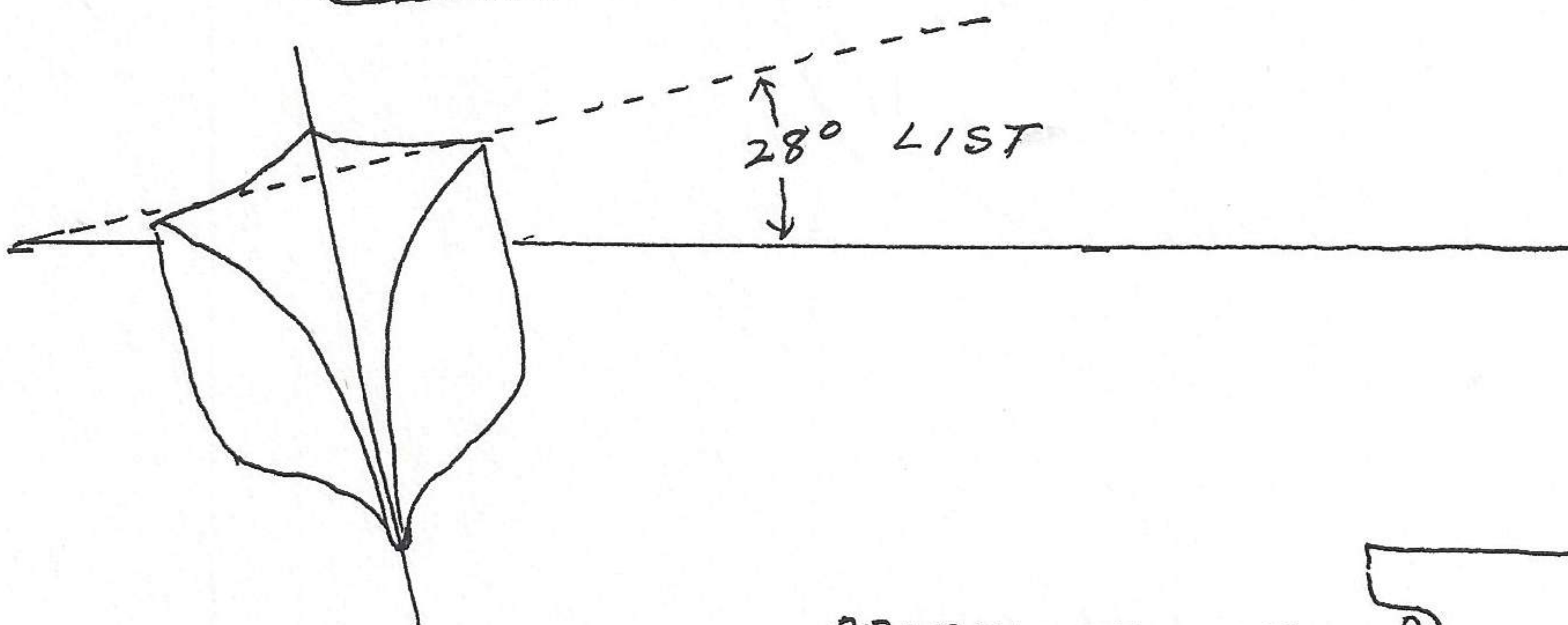
BLACK TAIL

WHITE HEAD AND BELLY

WHITE TIPS



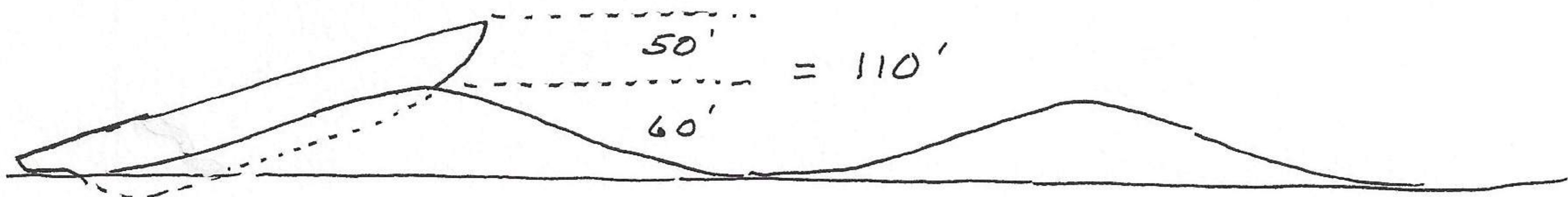
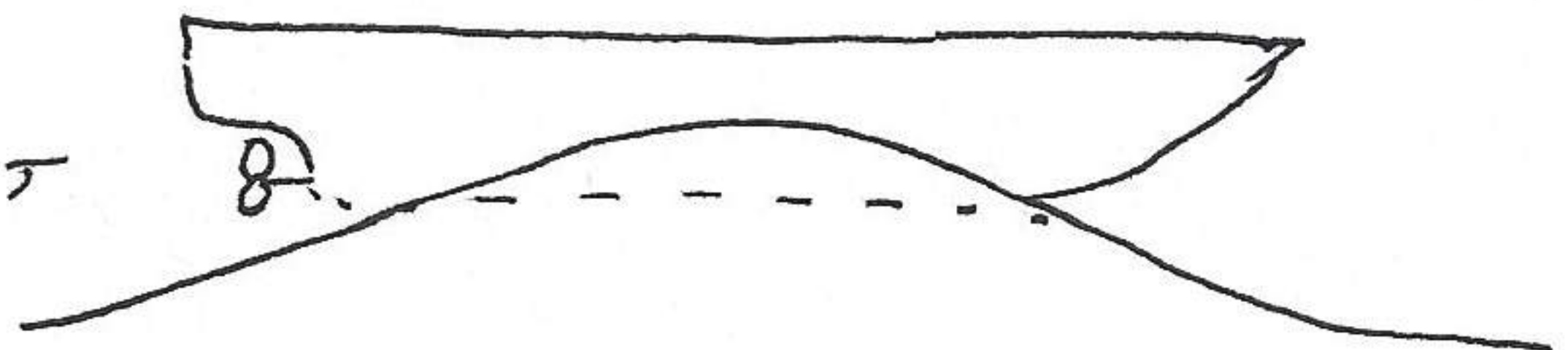
14° PITCH



28° LIST

525' long
13,000 lbs.

PROPELLOR OUT OF WATER



Bow of boat travels 110' from high point to low point