

# WIFE 'NEVER HAD DOUBTS'

**SOUTHSEA** (England), Tuesday. **MRS. DOROTHY ROSE** (55) opened a bottle of champagne last night to celebrate her yachtsman husband's feat in rounding Cape Horn and predicted that he would be home by mid-July.

Lone-sailor **Alec Rose**, a 60-year-old greengrocer of Southsea, passed the Cape yesterday aboard his 36ft. ketch, *Lively Lady*, homeward-bound on his globe-circling "Chichester-style" voyage.

His happy and excited wife was surrounded by friends who arrived to congratulate her and the telephone rang constantly with messages from well-wishers.

"I never doubted for one moment that he would get round," she declared in her home above the tiny greengrocer's shop she is minding for her husband.—Sapa-Reuter.

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## R34,400 for publicity-shy Rose?

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**A**LEC ROSE, the shy 60-year-old Portsmouth greengrocer who has now rounded Cape Horn on his single-handed voyage round the world, may be surprised to discover that his adventure could make him richer by R34,400.

Before he left Britain eight months ago Rose rejected all

commercial backing for his 30,000-mile voyage.

"Nobody is on a percentage of anything," he said "I have saved all my life for this and it is a personal adventure. "When I get back I don't want the ballyhoo Sir Francis Chichester got. That was just terrible."

As Mr. Rose approached Cape Horn in his 36-ft. ketch *Lively Lady*, however, it was announced that a group of his friends in England has formed the Alec Rose Committee, and had

hired a London firm of public relations consultants to negotiate business offers.

There are plans for:

- A book by Mr. Rose on his voyage.
- Ten thousand prints of *Lively Lady* to sell at about R2.60 each — with royalties of about 17 cents for Mr. Rose.
- Fifteen thousand envelopes for stamp collectors featuring a colour picture of Mr. Rose aboard his ketch — and perhaps a special postmark.

These covers will sell at about 43 cents — and of course there will be royalties for Mr. Rose.

The Committee's public relations officer, Mr. Philip Woolley, says: "If firms come to us we will consider anything. Alec Rose was expecting to do the whole thing out of his own pocket. Now it is possible he might make R34,400 out of it."

Commander Sir David Mackworth a committee member, adds: "Alec must be prepared for a very much bigger reception than he thought."