FLYING CLOUD

[23 Jan 02] An interesting historical footnote: the following text and photo appeared on eBay.
"Ticket for Hydrofoil Service, a failed attempt to introduce “high speed” marine transportation between Falmouth and Martha’s Vineyard in 1966. The vessel was named FLYING CLOUD and operated on a trial basis, including a demonstration run to Nantucket. The combination of her unsuitability to Nantucket Sound, mechanical problems, and lack of public interest ended her short career in the Cape and Islands area. The ticket is pink, measures 4x3 inches...
Front reads: 'Hydrofoil Service. Good for one passage in either direction between Falmouth and Martha’s Vineyard. Sold subject to Tariff Regulations. Form Hy-1 Issued by W.H., M.V. & Nan. SSA. No. 2068 James H. Smith Chairman.'
Back lists disclaimers of Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority." -- Barney C. Black (Please reply via the BBS)