

moorings". For years the Club was able to trade moorings for slips as far as permits from the MDC were concerned.



Downriver front row slips.

During the early 50's the "Front Row" slips upstream of the Gas Dock were installed. After the Marine Railway became operational (and there was no longer a need to haul boats up over the bank) the "Front Row" slips were added from the Gas Dock to the Railway. By about the mid 60's, the "Front Row" was exactly as we have it now. "Morrisey Boulevard" was in place but was half again as large and a bit further away from the river bank, the large "Main Float" was moored at the end of the Causeway off of a floating ramp, and the Causeway was lined all around with wood floats. At that point there were slips for approximately fifty boats available, a larger dinghy dock than we have today, and a large mooring field in full use. Expansion of this system was limited by underwater obstacles and generally shallow water. (Remember that in those days most boats were straight fibroboards, with fixed shafts and rudders. These days we just tell the owners in shallow slips to raise their outdrives.)



Aerial view of main float and original "Old Morrisey Boulevard".