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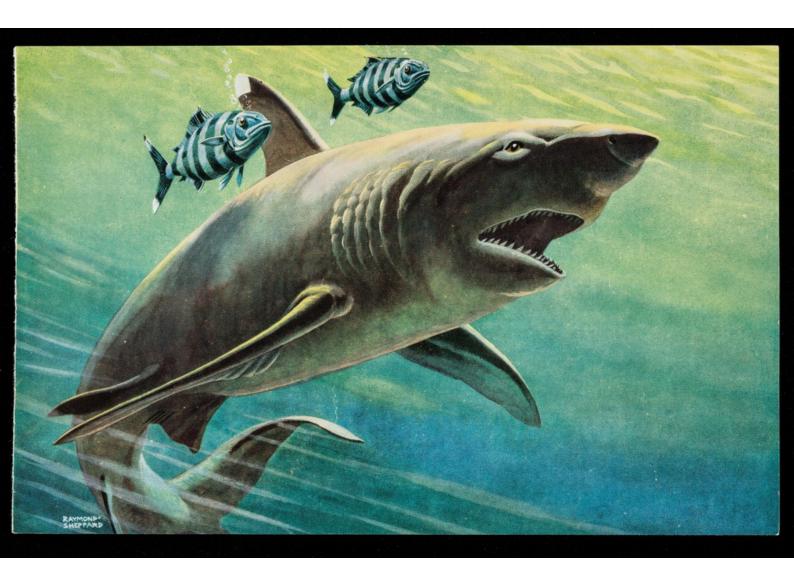
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PILOT FISH These swift and gaily-marked oceanic fish have long been known for their habit of escorting larger species – notably sharks and whales – apparently to feed upon fragments of prey discarded by the monsters. The ancients believed that pilot fish were capable of guiding lost mariners to harbour and of directing sharks towards their victim. The latter is probable and would account for the unusual tolerance of these fierce hunters of the deep towards their smaller neighbours.

