

# Yacht Club To Enter Craft in Scripps Powerboat Race

## ALICE II AND OVER'N BACK ARE LIKELY CHOICES TO COMPETE IN ANNUAL EVENT RUN ON LAKE ERIE

Olympian To Have New Canvas, Purchased by Club for Fisher Cup Trials; Receive Invitation To Enter Crew in Victory Class Regatta Off Buffalo Harbor.

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Rochester Yacht Club, it was announced yesterday, has accepted the invitation of the Scripps Trophy Powerboat race committee to enter the annual long distance run on Lake Erie this season. The run—some 120 miles long—open to cruising motor boats of all classes, is easily the classic distance race for powerboats on fresh water and one of the most famous races in the country.

The race has always been over the same course. Starting from Cleveland late in the afternoon the boats are sent west through the South passage around South Bass Island and back to Cleveland through the middle channel. The race is timed to force the fleet to navigate the difficult waters about the Lake Erie islands at night, and is a supreme test of navigating skill. All types of cabined power craft are allowed to enter and run under a handicap. Last season a small cruiser from Cleveland copped the coveted trophy. A new method of handicapping is to be used this season. Heretofore, the race has been held under the American Powerboat Association method of handicapping, but this year a natural performance standard will be used.

Alice II and Over'n Back were mentioned yesterday as ideal boats for the race. Both are small and powerful, and their performance has been carefully studied for the past season. Over'n Back is at present owned by John H. Castle and Alice II by William C. Daley. Both owners are said to be considering entrance in the classic.

### Olympian To Have New Sails.

Olympian, Class P contender in the coming trials for the Fisher Cup will have new canvas. When the boat was signed over to the club last week by her owner, Dr. Paul S. Lalonde, the agreement was changed and instead of the club conditioning Olympian's hull and forcing the craft to use her old canvas, Dr. Lalonde will put the boat's underbody and nose in condition and the club will purchase new canvas. Frank Christy is to be manager of Olympian and he has been at work with his former Iroquois crew getting on paint and smoothing down the big ship's hull. Both Alloede, the other Class P boat, and Olympian will be in the water before the month is out.

To Sail Victories.