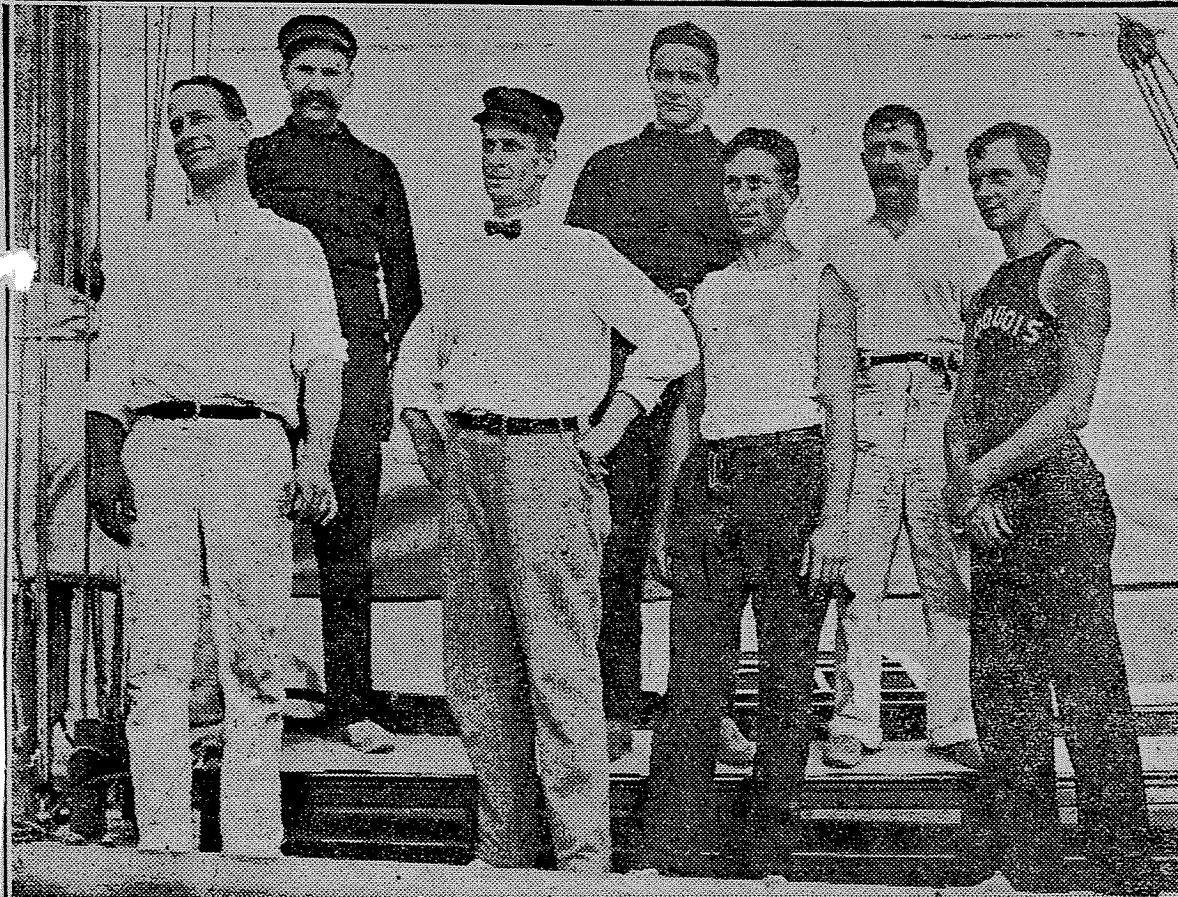


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Crew Of Yacht Iroquois In Canada Cup Races Of August 12, 1905

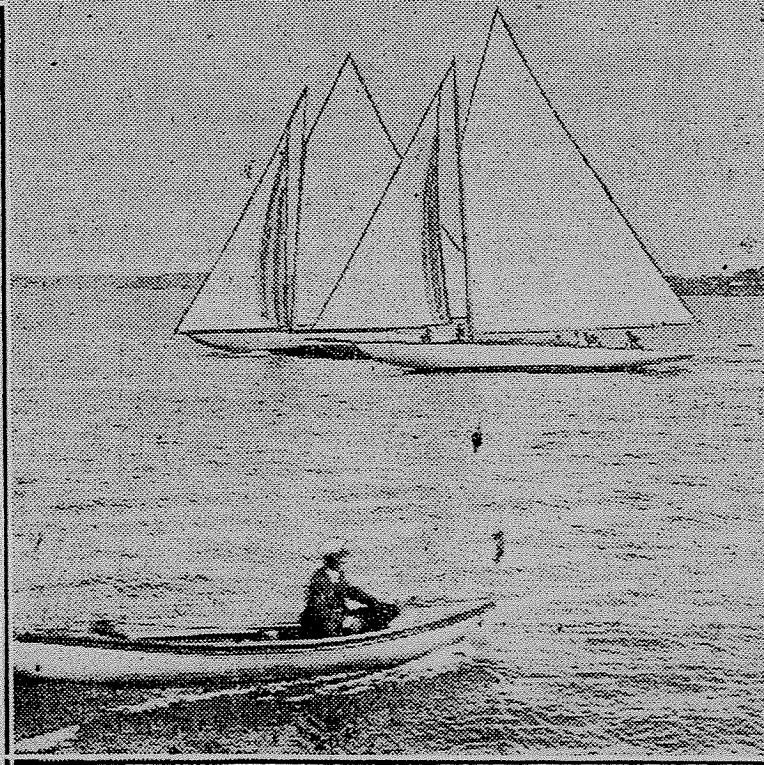


No Rochester yachtsman will ever forget the series of races for "Canada's Cup," sailed over a triangular course off Charlotte in the week of August 12, 1905.

The above pictures, the originals of which were lent to The Times-Union by Secretary Clute E. Noxon of the Rochester Yacht Club, show the racing crew of the "Iroquois," which defended the Canada's Cup in these races, and the two 30-foot yachts "Rochester" and "Iroquois," of the Rochester Yacht Club in one of their trial races in 1905 which resulted in the selection of the Iroquois to defend the cup. The Iroquois is to the windward.

The members of the crew are: Back row, from left to right, Harry Van (professional); James Backus, William Little. Front row: Fred A. Mabbett, Skipper Lorenzo G. Mabbett, John A. Taylor and Taylor Howard.

The Iroquois, which was designed by one of the Herreshoffs, won the first race on August 12 against the Royal Canadian Yacht Club boat "Temeraire," by nearly 13 minutes. In the second race, however, there was a strong wind, for which the Temeraire seemed particularly built, and the latter won by 5.05 minutes. The third race was also won by the Temeraire by 1.23 minutes but the two following races went to the Iroquois by a good margin and the cup returned to the skipper of the Rochester Yacht Club. A most gracious welcome awaited the Iro-



held at the Rochester Yacht Club house when the trophy was filled to the brim with champagne and toasts were drunk to Skippers Mabbett and Wedd, to Commodore Prichard of the Rochester Club and Rear-commodore Frederick Nicholl of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club.

The races attracted thousands of people to the lake and the course was lined with pleasure yachts and excursion steamers. Attorney John J. McInerney leaped to fame as a poet on this occasion by composing a number of songs which were sung by a quartet on board one of the pleasure yachts. One of these songs, lauding the Iroquois and her skipper was as follows:

quois and its crew as it returned to its moorings after the concluding race and the crowds which were gathered on the piers also showed their appreciation of the good sportsmanship and

Come take a ride on a fast one
Come take a cruise down the lake
Ride with our own Laurie Mabbett
The skipper they can't overtake."

In the evening a celebration was