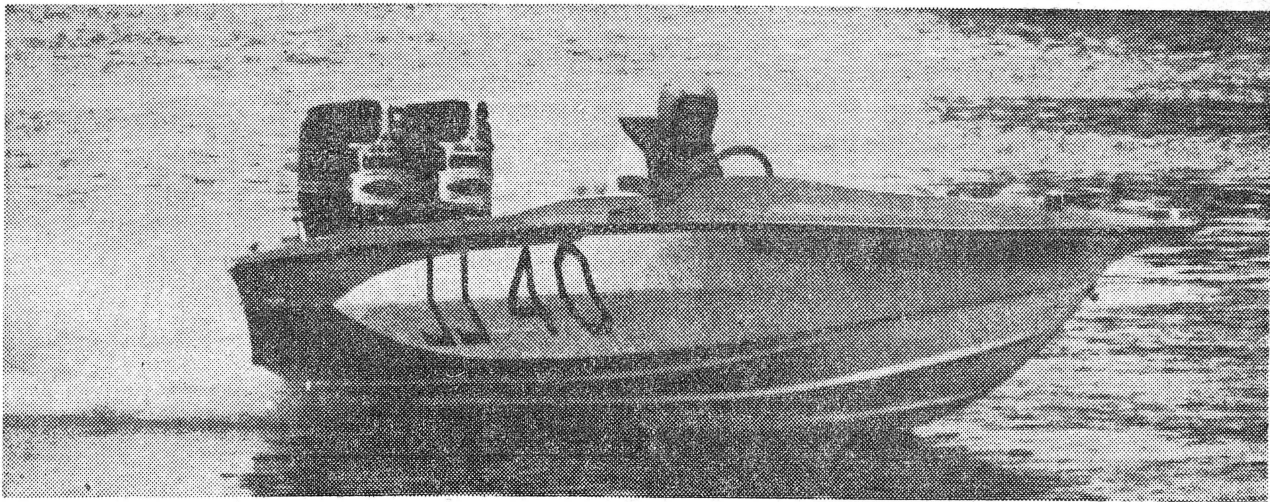


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DUAL ENGINES CHURN SPRAY AS CULVER TAKES JJ 40 FOR PRACTICE RUN
Won Orange Bowl Championship Last Year.—Staff Photo by Bill Koehler

If It Floats, Culver Races It

By CARL HOWARD, Daily News Sports Writer

WHEN 32-year-old Jon Culver unleashes his dual engined, JJ class speedboat in the Dayton Regatta at Eastwood lake today, he'll be celebrating his 17th successful year in the boat racing circuits.

Jon, the current national leader in JJ class points, says he got the racing bug when he was 15 years old after winning his first race and he has raced the bucking powerhouses every year since.

"I won my first race back in 1949," said Jon, vice president of Culver Aeromarine. "And a short while later, I won the National stock outboard championships at Alfred, Fla., setting a new world's record. Since then I've raced about every class of racing boat made."

CULVER has won national championships in D Hydroplanes C Run-abouts and JJ classes, along with the stock outboards. "I race in the JJ

outboard class now because it is probably the most competitive of them all," he said.

Jon's last big victory was the six-hour Orange Bowl grand

national JJ championship at Miami, Fla. last year. Since then he has won the unlimited and the JJ classes at the Ice Breaker regatta in Akron and the JJ class at the Miami Boat club regatta here in Dayton.

"I think this race in Dayton at Eastwood lake will develop into an annual affair. If we can get the lake and get it into good shape we can get some of the big national champions here."

DAYTON Motorboat association commodore Gene Whipp says the association is hoping for an attendance of between 20,000 and 25,000 for today's races.

Approximately 100 boats from several Eastern states and Canada have registered for today's races. Thirty have been entered by Dayton association members.

Racing will get under way at 12 noon with the JJ classes going first followed by 20 inboards heats.

All gate receipts will go to the Barney Children's hospital, said Whipp.



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