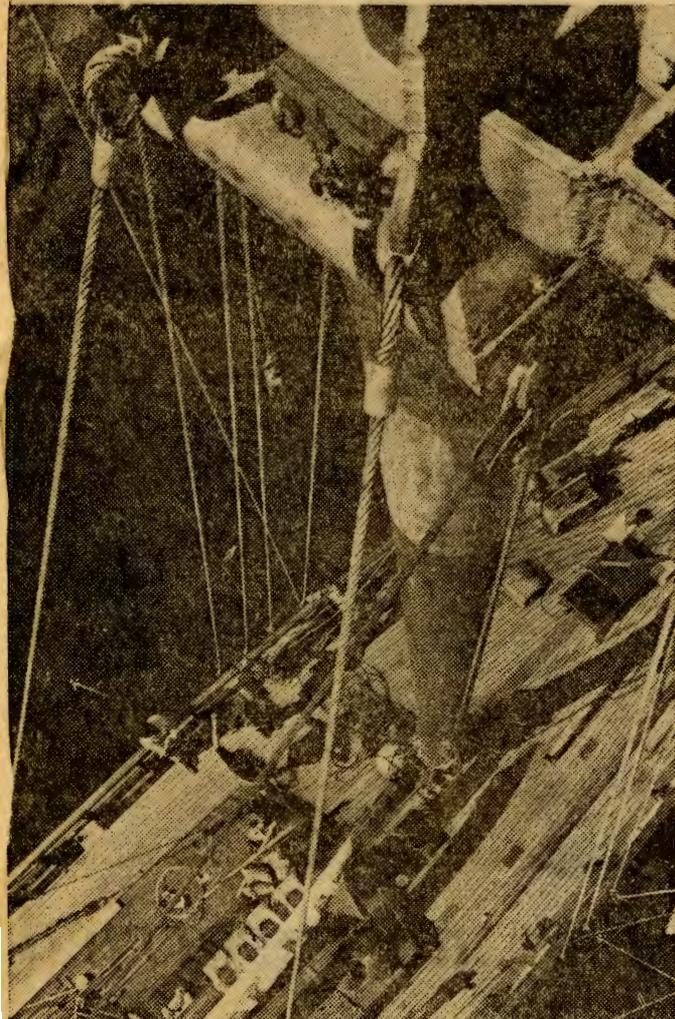


# Old-timers in race to Rio



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**TWO fabulous oldtimers will be battling for honours when the Cape to Rio race gets under way next January. One is the Durban-based ketch, Cariad 1, built in 1896 and the other is Tuluq, a two-masted schooner, built just two years later.**

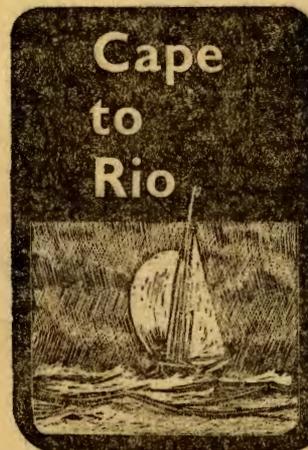
Neither is likely to be first across the finishing line in Rio — but a “race within the race” between two such delightful veterans is bound to capture the public’s imagination.

Tuluq’s owner, business man Mr. Mike Humphrey, says emphatically: “Tuluq will be the prettiest yacht in the race. I felt she just had to be in it.”

Cariad 1 has undergone a R30 000 refit for the race but Tuluq (the name means “raven” in Eskimo) has been virtually untouched down the years.

“The only change has been the installation of an auxiliary engine,” says Mr. Humphrey. “Otherwise, the Burmese teak woodwork is the same that was built into her 72 years ago.”

Mr. Humphrey is currently in Cape Town and is planning to visit his wife, Susan’s parents in Australia before the race. He bought Tuluq 2½ years ago and sailed her ex-



Tuluq was to continue the journey with her skipper and crew, but ran into a storm shortly after setting sail again and snapped her main boom.

She is now in Luanda, Angola, undergoing repairs. Mr. Humphrey hopes she will be ready to sail for the Cape in about three weeks.

“I am not sure if I will be able to join her for the race,” he says. “In any event, I shall need a crew of about seven.”

Mr. Humphrey will probably change the old schooner’s name to Mysu before the race. He does not have the details of her history but believes she was built, like Cariad I, for a sporting peer.

Tuluq is smaller than the 103 ft. Cariad I. She measures 68ft. at the waterline and 80 ft. from the tip of her elegant bowsprit to her stern.

But her lines will undoubtedly make her one of the races glamour boats.

tensively in the western Mediterranean.

Earlier this year, he decided to sail her to the Seychelles but left her in Las Palmas to bring his wife and children to Cape Town.