

DALLING SILENT 12-6-68 IN ROUGH WEATHER

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LONDON. — Rough weather yesterday prevented South Africa's Bruce Dalling in the ketch Voortrekker from making a scheduled radio call to the Baldock Station in Hertfordshire.

A spokesman for the ship's station said last night that Dalling should come through at 1700 GMT, but because he was going through some rough weather he was probably busy on deck. If he does not come through later his next scheduled radio call is at 1730 GMT on Friday.

REALLY WORRIED

Geoffrey Williams, 25, in his 57-ft. ketch Sir Thomas Lipton, said in a radio interview with the *Daily Telegraph* yesterday morning he was "really worried" that the South African ketch Voortrekker and the French yawl Raph may be leading.

"I am pressing the boat to the maximum. She is taking a tremendous hammering. I had the full sail working in a wind up to 28 knots yesterday. Can you please get me the leaders' positions urgently," he said.

But both Voortrekker and Raph are being cagey about revealing their positions, and the last fix made on either of these yachts was on Friday. At the time of the call to the *Daily Telegraph*, Williams said he was making about 9½ knots.

Sir Thomas Lipton's position at 08.00 hours GMT yesterday was lat. 49 deg. 37 min., long. 35 deg. 25 min.